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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA  
ROANOKE DIVISION

ANTINNE ANDERSON, ) Civil Action No. 7:09-cv-00330  
Petitioner, )  
)  
v. ) MEMORANDUM OPINION  
)  
RICARDO MARTINEZ, et al., ) By: Hon. Jackson L. Kiser  
Respondents. ) Senior United States District Judge

Antinne Anderson, a Virginia inmate proceeding pro se, filed a petition for writ of habeas corpus, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254. However, court records indicate that the petitioner previously filed a § 2254 petition concerning the same conviction, Civil Action No. 7:09-cv-00234 (W.D. Va.). Thus, the petitioner's current petition is a subsequent one, falling under the prohibition in 28 U.S.C. § 2244(b) against a second or successive petition. Pursuant to this section, a federal district court may consider a second or successive § 2254 petition only upon specific certification from the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit that the claims in the petition meet certain criteria. 28 U.S.C. § 2244(b). Because the petitioner has not submitted any evidence that he has obtained such certification by the Court of Appeals, the court will dismiss the petition without prejudice as successive.\*

The Clerk is directed to send copies of this memorandum opinion and the accompanying order to the petitioner.

ENTER: This 24<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2009.

*Jackson L. Kiser*  
Senior United States District Judge

\*A Fourth Circuit form and instructions for filing a request for certification to file a subsequent petition are available from the Fourth Circuit at the following address: Office of the Clerk, United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit, 900 E. Main St., Richmond, VA 23219.