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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

REGINALD WAYNE ROBINSON,

Petitioner,

v.

RENTON MUNICIPAL COURT, *et al.*,

Respondents.

Case No. C17-0539-TSZ-MAT

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

Petitioner Reginald Robinson is currently confined at the South Correctional Entity (SCORE) in Des Moines, Washington. He has submitted to the Court for filing a petition for writ of habeas corpus under 28 U.S.C. § 2254 challenging a 2013 Renton Municipal Court judgment and sentence. Petitioner asserts two grounds for relief in his petition, but neither claim alleges a violation of a federal constitutional right.

Federal habeas relief does not lie for errors of state law. *Lewis v. Jeffers*, 497 U.S. 764, 780 (1990) (citing *Pulley v. Harris*, 465 U.S. 37, 41 (1983)). A federal district court may entertain an application for a writ of habeas corpus by an individual in custody pursuant to a judgment of a state court “only on the ground that he is in custody in violation of the Constitution or laws or treaties of the United States.” 28 U.S.C. § 2254(a). Because petitioner does not identify any

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1 federal constitutional basis for the claims asserted in his petition, he has not stated a cognizable  
2 ground for relief.

3 Accordingly, the Court hereby ORDERS as follows:

4 (1) Petitioner shall SHOW CAUSE not later than *June 12, 2017* why his federal habeas  
5 petition should not be dismissed for failure to state a cognizable ground for relief.

6 (2) The Clerk is directed to send copies of this Order to petitioner and to the Honorable  
7 Thomas S. Zilly.

8 DATED this 8th day of May, 2017.

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12 Mary Alice Theiler  
13 United States Magistrate Judge  
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