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4 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
5 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
6 AT TACOMA

7 RYAN ANDREW MERRITT,

8 Petitioner,

9 v.

10 WASHINGTON, CLARK COUNTY JAIL,  
11 Respondents.

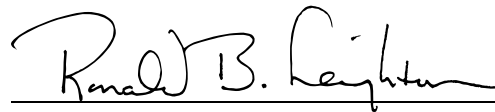
No. 3:17-CV-05924-RBL-DWC

**ORDER ADOPTING REPORT AND  
RECOMMENDATION**

12 The Court, having reviewed the Report and Recommendation of Magistrate Judge David  
13 W. Christel, objections to the Report and Recommendation, if any, and the remaining record,  
14 does hereby find and ORDER:

- 15 (1) The Court adopts the Report and Recommendation.  
16 (2) Petitioner's federal habeas Petition is dismissed without prejudice.  
17 (3) The Clerk is directed to send copies of this Order to Petitioner, counsel for  
18 Respondent, and to the Hon. David W. Christel.

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20 **DATED** this 12<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2018.

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23 Ronald B. Leighton  
24 United States District Judge