

UNPUBLISHED

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS  
FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT

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No. 07-6453

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WINFRED CAUSEY,

Petitioner - Appellant,

versus

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA; HENRY MCMASTER;  
WILLIAM WHITE, Warden of the Broad River  
Correctional Institution,

Respondents - Appellees.

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Appeal from the United States District Court for the District of  
South Carolina, at Florence. Terry L. Wooten, District Judge.  
(4:06-cv-01768-TLW)

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Submitted: August 8, 2007

Decided: August 17, 2007

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Before WILKINSON and MICHAEL, Circuit Judges, and WILKINS, Senior  
Circuit Judge.

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Dismissed by unpublished per curiam opinion.

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Winfred Causey, Appellant Pro Se. Donald John Zelenka, Derrick K.  
McFarland, OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
Columbia, South Carolina, for Appellees.

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Unpublished opinions are not binding precedent in this circuit.

PER CURIAM:

Winfred Causey, a state prisoner, seeks to appeal the district court's order accepting the recommendation of the magistrate judge and denying relief on his 28 U.S.C. § 2254 (2000) petition. The order is not appealable unless a circuit justice or judge issues a certificate of appealability. 28 U.S.C. § 2253(c)(1) (2000). A certificate of appealability will not issue absent "a substantial showing of the denial of a constitutional right." 28 U.S.C. § 2253(c)(2) (2000). A prisoner satisfies this standard by demonstrating that reasonable jurists would find that his constitutional claims are debatable and that any dispositive procedural rulings by the district court are also debatable or wrong. See Miller-El v. Cockrell, 537 U.S. 322, 336 (2003); Slack v. McDaniel, 529 U.S. 473, 484 (2000); Rose v. Lee, 252 F.3d 676, 683 (4th Cir. 2001). We have independently reviewed the record and conclude that Causey has not made the requisite showing. Accordingly, we deny a certificate of appealability and dismiss the appeal. We dispense with oral argument because the facts and legal contentions are adequately presented in the materials before the court and argument would not aid the decisional process.

DISMISSED