

**UNPUBLISHED**

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS  
FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT

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**No. 12-7045**

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SAUL WILLIAMS,

Petitioner - Appellant,

v.

WARDEN, LEE CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION,

Respondent - Appellee,

and

JON OZMINT, Director of Corr of State of South Carolina,

Respondent.

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Appeal from the United States District Court for the District of South Carolina, at Columbia. Henry M. Herlong, Jr., Senior District Judge. (3:07-cv-00923-HMH)

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Submitted: October 23, 2012

Decided: November 6, 2012

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Before GREGORY, SHEDD, and KEENAN, Circuit Judges.

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Dismissed by unpublished per curiam opinion.

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Saul Williams, Appellant Pro Se. Melody Jane Brown, Assistant Attorney General, Donald John Zelenka, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Columbia, South Carolina, for Appellee.

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Unpublished opinions are not binding precedent in this circuit.

PER CURIAM:

Saul Williams seeks to appeal the district court's order accepting the recommendation of the magistrate judge and dismissing his petition under 28 U.S.C. § 2254 (2006). We dismiss the appeal for lack of jurisdiction because the notice of appeal was not timely filed.

Parties are accorded thirty days after the entry of the district court's final judgment or order to note an appeal, Fed. R. App. P. 4(a)(1)(A), unless the district court extends the appeal period under Fed. R. App. P. 4(a)(5), or reopens the appeal period under Fed. R. App. P. 4(a)(6). "[T]he timely filing of a notice of appeal in a civil case is a jurisdictional requirement." Bowles v. Russell, 551 U.S. 205, 214 (2007).

The district court's order was entered on the docket on June 18, 2008. The notice of appeal was filed on June 11, 2012. Because Williams failed to file a timely notice of appeal or obtain an extension or reopening of the appeal period, we dismiss the appeal. We deny Williams' motion for a certificate of appealability and 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