

UNPUBLISHED

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS  
FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT

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**No. 95-7999**

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EDWARD BRAD WARD, JR.,

Petitioner - Appellant,

versus

EARL BESHEARS; ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE STATE  
OF MARYLAND,

Respondents - Appellees.

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Appeal from the United States District Court for the District of  
Maryland, at Baltimore. J. Frederick Motz, Chief District Judge.  
(CA-95-1598-JFM)

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Submitted: March 21, 1996

Decided: April 12, 1996

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Before NIEMEYER and MICHAEL, Circuit Judges, and BUTZNER, Senior  
Circuit Judge.

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Affirmed by unpublished per curiam opinion.

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Edward Brad Ward, Jr., Appellant Pro Se. John Joseph Curran, Jr.,  
Attorney General, Tarra R. Minnis, OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL  
OF MARYLAND, Baltimore, Maryland, for Appellees.

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Unpublished opinions are not binding precedent in this circuit.  
See Local Rule 36(c).

PER CURIAM:

Appellant appeals from the district court's order denying relief on his 28 U.S.C. § 2254 (1988) petition. We have reviewed the record and the district court's opinion and find no reversible error. Accordingly, we affirm on the reasoning of the district court. Ward v. Beshears, No. CA-95-1598-JFM (D. Md. Nov. 2, 1995). 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.

AFFIRMED