

**UNPUBLISHED**

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS  
FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT

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**No. 98-6711**

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GARY LEWIS SHIELDS,

Petitioner - Appellant,

versus

JOHN CARMICHAEL; CHARLES MOLONY CONDON, At-  
torney General of the State of South Carolina,

Respondents - Appellees.

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Appeal from the United States District Court for the District of  
South Carolina, at Rock Hill. Charles E. Simons, Jr., Senior  
District Judge. (CA-97-2934-0-06BD)

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Submitted: August 13, 1998

Decided: September 3, 1998

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Before WIDENER and WILKINS, Circuit Judges, and HALL, Senior  
Circuit Judge.

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Dismissed by unpublished per curiam opinion.

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Gary Lewis Shields, Appellant Pro Se. Donald John Zelenka, Chief  
Deputy Attorney General, Columbia, South Carolina, for Appellees.

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Unpublished opinions are not binding precedent in this circuit.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

PER CURIAM:

Appellant seeks to appeal the district court's order denying relief on his petition filed under 28 U.S.C.A. § 2254 (West 1994 & Supp. 1998). We have reviewed the record and the district court's opinion accepting the recommendation of the magistrate judge and find no reversible error. Accordingly, we deny a certificate of appealability and dismiss the appeal on the reasoning of the district court. Shields v. Carmichael, No. CA-97-2934-0-06BD (D.S.C. May 4, 1998). 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