

**UNPUBLISHED**

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS  
FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT

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**No. 98-7184**

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LONDELL ABDUL TALIB DIN-WATKINS,

Petitioner - Appellant,

versus

GEORGE M. HINKLE, Warden, Haynesville Correc-  
tional Center,

Respondent - Appellee.

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Appeal from the United States District Court for the Eastern Dis-  
trict of Virginia, at Alexandria. James C. Cacheris, Senior Dis-  
trict Judge. (CA-97-1447-AM)

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Submitted: April 15, 1999

Decided: April 21, 1999

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Before NIEMEYER and HAMILTON, Circuit Judges, and PHILLIPS, Senior  
Circuit Judge.

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Dismissed by unpublished per curiam opinion.

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Richmond, Virginia, for Appellee.

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Unpublished opinions are not binding precedent in this circuit.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

PER CURIAM:

Lonell Abdul Talib Din-Watkins 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 and find no reversible error. Accordingly, we deny a certificate of appealability and dismiss the appeal on the reasoning of the district court. See Din-Watkins v. Hinkle, No. CA-97-1447-AM (E.D. Va. July 14, 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

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\* Although the district court's judgment or order is marked as "filed" on July 8, 1998, the district court's records show that it was entered on the docket sheet on July 14, 1998. Pursuant to Rules 58 and 79(a) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, it is the date that the judgment or order was entered on the docket sheet that we take as the effective date of the district court's decision. See Wilson v. Murray, 806 F.2d 1232, 1234-35 (4th Cir. 1986).