

**UNPUBLISHED**

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS  
FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT

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**No. 01-7434**

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RONALD BRUNT, a/k/a Ronald Brount,

Petitioner - Appellant,

versus

JOHN B. TAYLOR, Warden,

Respondent - Appellee.

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Appeal from the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, at Richmond. David G. Lowe, Magistrate Judge. (CA-00-730)

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Submitted: December 21, 2001

Decided: January 14, 2002

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

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Dismissed by unpublished per curiam opinion.

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Ronald Brunt, Appellant Pro Se. Michael Thomas Judge, OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OF VIRGINIA, Richmond, Virginia, for Appellee.

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Unpublished opinions are not binding precedent in this circuit.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

PER CURIAM:

Ronald Brunt appeals the magistrate judge's order denying relief on his petition filed under 28 U.S.C.A. § 2254 (West 1994 & Supp. 2001).<sup>\*</sup> We have reviewed the record and the magistrate judge's opinion and find no reversible error. Accordingly, we deny a certificate of appealability and dismiss the appeal on the reasoning of the magistrate judge. See Brunt v. Taylor, No. CA-00-730 (E.D. Va. Aug. 8, 2001). 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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<sup>\*</sup> The parties consented to the jurisdiction of the magistrate judge under 28 U.S.C. § 636(c) (1994).