

**UNPUBLISHED**

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS  
FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT

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**No. 98-7171**

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TYRONE LYNN WELCH, a/k/a Jeffrey L. Allen,

Petitioner - Appellant,

versus

RONALD J. ANGELONE, Director, Virginia Depart-  
ment of Corrections,

Respondent - Appellee.

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Appeal from the United States District Court for the Eastern  
District of Virginia, at Alexandria. Leonie M. Brinkema, District  
Judge. (CA-97-660-AM)

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Submitted: March 11, 1999

Decided: March 18, 1999

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Before WIDENER and LUTTIG, Circuit Judges, and PHILLIPS, Senior  
Circuit Judge.

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Dismissed by unpublished per curiam opinion.

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Tyrone Lynn Welch, Appellant Pro Se. Marla Graff Decker, Assistant  
Attorney General, Richmond, Virginia, for Appellee.

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Unpublished opinions are not binding precedent in this circuit.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

PER CURIAM:

Tyrone Lynn Welch appeals 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 Welch v. Angelone, No. CA-97-660-AM (E.D. Va. May 28, 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