**UNPUBLISHED**

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT

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**No. 26-1589**

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In re: CHRISTOPHER MOSBY,

Petitioner.

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On Petition for Writ of Mandamus to the United States District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina, at Wilmington. (7:17-cv-00253-BO)

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Submitted: August 27, 2026 Decided: September 1, 2026

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Before KING, HEYTENS, and BENJAMIN, Circuit Judges.

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Petition denied by unpublished per curiam opinion.

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Christopher Mosby, Appellant Pro Se.

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Unpublished opinions are not binding precedent in this circuit.

PER CURIAM:

Christopher Mosby petitions for a writ of mandamus seeking an order from this court directing the district court to provide him a hearing in his 18 U.S.C. § 983 proceedings and correct his identity as Moorish. We conclude that Mosby is not entitled to mandamus relief.

Mandamus relief is a drastic remedy and should be used only in extraordinary circumstances. *Cheney v. U.S. Dist. Ct.*, 542 U.S. 367, 380 (2004); *In re Murphy-Brown, LLC*, 907 F.3d 788, 795 (4th Cir. 2018). Further, mandamus relief is available only when the petitioner has a clear right to the relief sought and "has no other adequate means to attain the relief [he] desires." *Murphy-Brown*, 907 F.3d at 795 (citation modified). We conclude that the relief sought by Mosby is not available by way of mandamus because mandamus may not be used as a substitute for appeal. *In re Lockheed Martin Corp.*, 503 F.3d 351, 353 (4th Cir. 2007); *see Mosby v. United States*, No. 22-7393, 2023 WL 7212274 (4th Cir. Nov. 2023) (affirming district court's orders denying Mosby's postjudgment motions).

Accordingly, we deny the petition for writ of mandamus. We dispense with oral argument because the facts and legal contentions are adequately presented in the materials before this court and argument would not aid the decisional process.

*PETITION DENIED*