

United States Court of Appeals
FOR THE EIGHTH CIRCUIT

No. 97-2400EA

Sammie Smith, Jr.,

Appellant,

v.

Larry Norris, Director, Department of
Correction; Bill Lowe, Personnel
Administrator; Virginia Wallace,
Warden (Women Unit),

Appellees.

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Appeal from the United States
District Court for the Eastern
District of Arkansas.

[UNPUBLISHED]

Submitted: December 8, 1997
Filed: December 16, 1997

Before FAGG, BEAM, and MORRIS SHEPPARD ARNOLD, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM.

Sammie Smith, Jr. appeals the district court's adverse grant of summary judgment on Smith's race-based employment discrimination claim. Having carefully considered the record, and assuming Smith established the elements of a prima facie case, we agree with the district court that Smith failed to present any evidence tending to show that the reason given by the public officials for rescinding an offer of employment with the Arkansas Department of Corrections was a pretext for race discrimination.

Accordingly, we conclude the district court correctly granted summary judgment, and we affirm without further discussion. See 8th Cir. R. 47B.

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