

United States Court of Appeals
FOR THE EIGHTH CIRCUIT

No. 97-3668

Donnie E. Blankenship,

Appellant,

v.

Michael Groose,

Appellee.

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

[UNPUBLISHED]

Submitted: November 6, 1998

Filed: November 9, 1998

Before FAGG, BEAM, and LOKEN, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM.

Donnie Blankenship appeals from the district court's¹ denial of his 28 U.S.C. § 2254 petition. Having carefully reviewed the record, including the magistrate judge's thorough thirty-nine page report and recommendation, as well as the parties' submissions, we affirm the judgment of the district court for the reasons set forth in the report and recommendation adopted by the district court. See 8th Cir. R. 47B. We

¹The HONORABLE GEORGE F. GUNN, JR., late a United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Missouri, adopting the report and recommendations of the HONORABLE DAVID D. NOCE, United States Magistrate Judge for the Eastern District of Missouri.

also deny Blankenship's motions for appointment of counsel and access to a law clerk, and deny the government's motion to quash the certificate of appealability.

Accordingly, we affirm.

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