

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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E.L. Reid,

Petitioner,

v.

Gov. Rick Perry *et al.*,

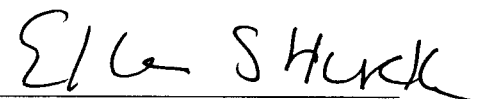
Respondents.

Civil Action No. **12 1028**

MEMORANDUM OPINION

Petitioner, proceeding *pro se*, has submitted a "Petition for a Writ of Habeas Corpus by a Person in State Custody," along with an application to proceed *in forma pauperis*. The Court will grant the application to proceed *in forma pauperis* and will dismiss the case for lack of jurisdiction.

Petitioner is a Texas state prisoner incarcerated in Rosharon, Texas. He is challenging his conviction entered by a court in Galveston, Texas, following a jury trial. Pet. at 2. Federal court review of state convictions is available under 28 U.S.C. § 2254 only after the exhaustion of available state remedies. *See* 28 U.S.C. §2254(b)(1). Thereafter, "an application for a writ of habeas corpus [] made by a person in custody under the judgment and sentence of a State court . . . may be filed in the district court for the district wherein such person is in custody or in the district court for the district within which the State court was held which convicted and sentenced [petitioner] and each of such district courts shall have concurrent jurisdiction to entertain the application." 28 U.S.C. § 2241(d). Because petitioner has no recourse in the District of Columbia, this action will be dismissed. A separate Order accompanies this Memorandum Opinion.


United States District Judge

Date: June 20, 2012