

No. 18-1069

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE SIXTH CIRCUIT

FILED
May 23, 2018
DEBORAH S. HUNT, Clerk

In re: JACK HALL,

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Petitioner.

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O R D E R


Before: KEITH, WHITE, and BUSH, Circuit Judges.

Jack Hall, a pro se Michigan inmate, petitions for a writ of mandamus, requests oral argument, and moves to proceed *in forma pauperis*. He asks this court to vacate the district court's 2009 judgment denying his habeas corpus petition and to remand his case to the district court for an evidentiary hearing and reassignment to a different judge.

"It is axiomatic that '[m]andamus relief is an extraordinary remedy, only infrequently utilized by this court.'" *John B. v. Goetz*, 531 F.3d 448, 457 (6th Cir. 2008) (alteration in original) (quoting *In re Perrigo Co.*, 128 F.3d 430, 435 (6th Cir. 1997)). The petitioner must "show a clear and indisputable right to the relief sought." *In re Am. President Lines, Ltd.*, 929 F.2d 226, 227 (6th Cir. 1991) (order). Hall seeks to challenge the validity of his state conviction, and 28 U.S.C. § 2254 provides an adequate remedy. The facts that he was previously denied such relief by the district court, that his appeal from that denial was dismissed as late, that his motions for relief from judgment were denied, and that a certificate of appealability was denied in *Hall v. Berghuis*, No. 15-1819 (6th Cir. Jan. 13, 2016), do not render those remedies inadequate or ineffective.

The petition for a writ of mandamus and request for oral argument are **DENIED**. The motion to proceed in forma pauperis is **DENIED** as moot.

ENTERED BY ORDER OF THE COURT

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Deborah S. Hunt, Clerk