

EXHIBIT C

United States Court of Appeals  
for the Fifth Circuit

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No. 19-10450

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WILLIAM DOUGLAS HAMPTON,

*Petitioner—Appellant,*

*versus*

WARDEN FCI ELKTON,

*Respondent—Appellee.*

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Appeal from the United States District Court  
for the Northern District of Texas  
USDC No. 3:18-CV-1499

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ON PETITION FOR REHEARING  
AND REHEARING EN BANC

(Opinion 7/10/2020, 5 Cir., \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ F.3d \_\_\_\_\_ )

Before OWEN, *Chief Judge*, and HAYNES, and COSTA, *Circuit Judges*.

PER CURIAM:

(✓) The Petition for Rehearing is DENIED and no member of this panel nor judge in regular active service on the court having requested that the court be polled on Rehearing En Banc, (FED. R. APP. P. and 5<sup>TH</sup> Cir. R. 35) the Petition for Rehearing En Banc is also DENIED.

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- ( ) The Petition for Rehearing is DENIED and the court having been polled at the request of one of the members of the court and a majority of the judges who are in regular active service and not disqualified not having voted in favor, (FED. R. APP. P. and 5<sup>TH</sup> CIR. R. 35) the Petition for Rehearing En Banc is also DENIED.
- ( ) A member of the court in active service having requested a poll on the reconsideration of this cause En banc, and a majority of the judges in active service and not disqualified not having voted in favor, Rehearing En Banc is DENIED.

IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS  
FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT

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Fifth Circuit

**FILED**

July 10, 2020

No. 19-10450  
Summary Calendar

Lyle W. Cayce  
Clerk

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Before OWEN, Chief Judge, and HAYNES and COSTA, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM:\*

William Douglas Hampton, federal prisoner # 26034-044, appeals the district court's dismissal of his 28 U.S.C. § 2241 petition and denial of his motion for injunctive relief.

However, he does not brief any argument contesting the district court's determination that it lacked jurisdiction to consider the § 2241 petition because the claims he presented could only be brought in a 28 U.S.C. § 2255

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\* Pursuant to 5TH CIR. R. 47.5, the court has determined that this opinion should not be published and is not precedent except under the limited circumstances set forth in 5TH CIR. R. 47.5.4.

motion filed in the sentencing court, which was in the Eastern District of Missouri. Hampton also does not brief any argument challenging the district court's determination that he was not entitled to injunctive relief because he failed to meet the procedural and substantive requirements for such relief. Instead, his arguments concern only the propriety of his convictions and sentences.

By failing to brief arguments disputing the district court's reasons for dismissing his § 2241 petition and denying injunctive relief, Hampton has waived any such arguments and has failed to show that the district court erred. *See Yohey v. Collins*, 985 F.2d 222, 224-25 (5th Cir. 1993).

AFFIRMED.

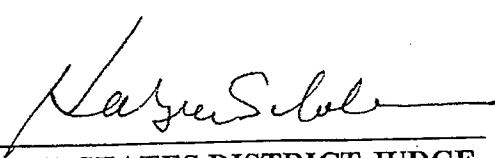
IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
DALLAS DIVISION

WILLIAM DOUGLAS HAMPTON,  
#26034-44, )  
Petitioner, )  
vs. ) No. 3:18-CV-1499-S  
WARDEN UNDERWOOD, )  
Respondent. )

ORDER ACCEPTING FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATION  
OF THE UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

After reviewing all relevant matters of record in this case, including the Findings, Conclusions, and Recommendation of the United States Magistrate Judge and any objections thereto, in accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1), the Court is of the opinion that the Findings and Conclusions of the Magistrate Judge are correct and they are accepted as the Findings and Conclusions of the Court. For the reasons stated in the Findings, Conclusions, and Recommendation of the United States Magistrate Judge, the petitioner's *Petition to Set Aside District Court Judgment Pursuant to Rule 59(a)(2)*, received on October 31, 2018 (doc. 17), is liberally construed as motion to alter or amend the judgment under Fed. R. Civ. P. 59(e) and GRANTED, and the judgment dismissing the case is VACATED, and the petitioner will be given an opportunity to file objections to the recommendation of dismissal.

SIGNED this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of January, 2019.

  
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UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
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#26034-44, )  
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WARDEN UNDERWOOD, ) Referred to U.S. Magistrate Judge  
Respondent. )

**FINDINGS, CONCLUSIONS, AND RECOMMENDATION**

By *Special Order 3-251*, this habeas case has been referred for findings, conclusions, and recommendation. Before the Court is the petitioner's *Petition to Set Aside District Court Decision Pursuant to F.R.Ci. P. Rule 59e*, received on March 8, 2019 (doc. 32). Based on the relevant filings and applicable law, the motion should be construed as a motion under Fed. R. Civ. P. 60(b) and **DENIED**.

**I. BACKGROUND**

On September 21, 2018, it was recommended that the petitioner's habeas petition under 28 U.S.C. § 2241 be dismissed for lack of jurisdiction, the recommendation was accepted, and the petition was dismissed on October 15, 2018. (*See* docs. 11-13.) On October 25, 2018, the petitioner moved to set aside the judgment on grounds that he did not receive a copy of the recommendation. (*See* doc. 14.) On November 5, 2018, it was recommended that the judgment be vacated, and that he be given an opportunity to file objections to the recommendation. (*See* doc. 15.) A copy of the recommendation for dismissal was sent to him, and he was directed to file his objections within 14 days of being served with the recommendation. (*See id.*) Petitioner received a copy of the recommendation for dismissal on November 14, 2008, and he was granted an extension of time until December 14, 2018, to file his objections. (*See* docs. 16, 17.)

The petitioner submitted an “abbreviated response” that was received on December 14, 2018, and he sought an extension of time to supplement his objections with additional facts. (See docs. 18, 19.) By order dated December 21, 2018, he was granted an extension until January 14, 2019, to file supplemental objections. (See doc. 20.) The order specifically provided that no further extensions would be granted, and that if his supplemental objections were not received by that date, only the objections on file would be considered. (See *id.*)

The petitioner then filed a *Petition for Temporary Injunction Grant*, received on December 31, 2018. (See doc. 21.) He sought injunctive relief in the form of access to law library reference materials, a law library computer, a typewriter, printer, photocopier, and stored legal documents. On January 8, 2019, it was recommended that the motion for injunctive relief be denied. (See doc. 22.) Petitioner filed objections to that recommendation to deny injunctive relief, which were received on January 22, 2019. (See doc. 24.) His objections did not include any additional objections to the original recommendation to dismiss the habeas petition.

On January 23, 2019, the motion to set aside the judgment was granted, and the judgment was vacated to allow for consideration of the petitioner’s objections to the recommended dismissal of his petition. (See doc. 25.) On February 6, 2019, the recommendation to deny injunctive relief and the original recommendation to dismiss the petition for lack of jurisdiction were accepted, the petition was dismissed for lack of jurisdiction, and judgment was entered. (See docs. 26-28.) On March 5, 2019, Petitioner’s request for an extension of time to file objections to the original recommendation to dismiss the petition was received, and it was recommended that the motion be construed as arising under Fed. R. Civ. P. 59(e) and denied. (See doc. 33.) The recommendation was accepted by order dated April 3, 2019. (See doc. 35.)

Petitioner now expressly seeks relief under Rule 59(e). He contends that he did not receive the January 23, 2019 order (doc. 25), until February 25, 2019. He also contends that he received the February 6, 2019 orders (docs. 26, 27) on February 28, 2019. According to the docket, the January 23, 2019 order (doc. 25) was returned as undeliverable on February 21, 2019. (See doc. 30.) On February 21, 2019, that order and the February 6, 2019 orders were all re-mailed to him at the new address he included in his notice of appeal, which was filed on February 12, 2019.

## **II. FED. R. CIV. P. 60(b)**

“When a litigant files a motion seeking a change in judgment, courts typically determine the appropriate motion based on whether the litigant filed the motion within Rule 59(e)’s time limit.” *Williams v. Thaler*, 602 F.3d 291, 303 & n. 10 (5th Cir. 2010). Because the petitioner’s motion was mailed outside of Rule 59(e)’s limit, it is properly construed as a motion under Fed. R. Civ. P. 60(b).

Rule 60(b) provides that a court may relieve a party from a final judgment or order for the following reasons: (1) mistake, inadvertence, surprise, or excusable neglect; (2) newly discovered evidence that, with reasonable diligence, could not have been discovered earlier; (3) fraud, misrepresentation, or misconduct by an opposing party; (4) the judgment is void; (5) the judgment has been satisfied, released, or discharged, or it is based on an earlier judgment that has been reversed or vacated, or that applying the judgment prospectively is no longer equitable; or (6) any other reason that justifies relief. *See* Rule 60(b)(1)-(6). A Rule 60(b) motion must be made within a reasonable time, and no longer than one year after judgment was entered of relief is sought under subsections (1), (2), and (3). *See* Rule 60(c)(1).

Here, the petitioner has not alleged or shown mistake, newly discovered evidence, fraud, or a void or satisfied judgment that would entitle him to relief under Rule 60(b)(1)-(5). His motion

may therefore be construed as arising under the “catch-all” clause of Rule 60(b)(6). *See Hess v. Cockrell*, 281 F.3d 212, 215-16 (5th Cir. 2002). This clause is “a residual clause used to cover unforeseen contingencies; that is, it is a means for accomplishing justice in exceptional circumstances.” *Steversen v. GlobalSantaFe Corp.*, 508 F.3d 300, 303 (5th Cir. 2007) (quoting *Stipelcovich v. Sand Dollar Marine, Inc.*, 805 F.2d 599, 604-05 (5th Cir. 1986)). Motions under this clause “will be granted only if extraordinary circumstances are present.” *Hess*, 281 F.3d at 216.

In *Seven Elves, Inc. v. Eskenazi*, 635 F.2d 396 (5th Cir. 1981), the Fifth Circuit set forth factors to consider when evaluating a motion under this clause: (1) that final judgments should not lightly be disturbed; (2) that a Rule 60(b) motion should not be used as a substitute for appeal; (3) that the rule should be liberally construed in order to achieve substantial justice; (4) whether, if the case was not decided on its merits due to a default or dismissal, the interest in deciding the case on its merits outweighs the interest in the finality of the judgment and there is merit in the claim or defense; (5) whether, if the judgment was rendered on the merits, the movant had a fair opportunity to present his claims; (6) whether there are intervening equities that would make it inequitable to grant relief; and (7) any other factors relevant to the justice of the judgment under attack. *Id.* at 402.

The petitioner’s “abbreviated response,” which he filed after receiving two extensions of time, was considered, and he did not file any supplemental objections to the original recommendation even though he was granted an extension of time to do so. He was afforded a fair opportunity to present his claims, and they were dismissed for lack of jurisdiction. He has not shown a basis for relief under Rule 60(b).

### **III. RECOMMENDATION**

The petitioner’s motion to alter or amend the judgment under Fed. R. Civ. P. 59(e) should

be construed as arising under Fed. R. Civ. P. 60(b) and **DENIED**.

**SIGNED this 4th day of April, 2019.**



IRMA CARRILLO RAMIREZ  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR SERVICE AND**  
**NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL/OBJECT**

A copy of these findings, conclusions and recommendation shall be served on all parties in the manner provided by law. Any party who objects to any part of these findings, conclusions and recommendation must file specific written objections within 14 days after being served with a copy. *See 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1); Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(b).* In order to be specific, an objection must identify the specific finding or recommendation to which objection is made, state the basis for the objection, and specify the place in the magistrate judge's findings, conclusions and recommendation where the disputed determination is found. An objection that merely incorporates by reference or refers to the briefing before the magistrate judge is not specific. Failure to file specific written objections will bar the aggrieved party from appealing the factual findings and legal conclusions of the magistrate judge that are accepted or adopted by the district court, except upon grounds of plain error. *See Douglass v. United Servs. Automobile Ass'n, 79 F.3d 1415, 1417 (5th Cir. 1996).*



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UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE