

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA

Michael Caine Redifer, Sr. v. T. Vaught, Warden, and FCI Sandstone

Redifer · No. 25-cv-933 (ECT/LIB) · Decided February 10, 2026

SUMMARY

The United States District Court for the District of Minnesota adopted a magistrate judge's Report and Recommendation after finding no clear error and noting that no objections were filed. The court denied Michael Caine Redifer, Sr.'s petition for a writ of habeas corpus and dismissed the matter without prejudice.

CASE DETAILS

COURT	United States District Court for the District of Minnesota
WRITING FOR THE COURT	Eric C. Tostrud
JURISDICTION	United States District Court for the District of Minnesota
DECIDED	February 10, 2026
DOCKET	25-cv-933 (ECT/LIB)
DISPOSITION	dismissed
PROCEDURAL POSTURE	The district court reviewed a magistrate judge's Order and Report and Recommendation after no party filed timely objections.
STANDARD OF REVIEW	Clear error review under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 72(b) because no party objected to the magistrate judge's Report and Recommendation.
PRECEDENTIAL VALUE	Unpublished district court order; nonprecedential
PARTIES	Michael Caine Redifer, Sr. v. T. Vaught, Warden, FCI Sandstone

TOPICS

- federal habeas corpus
- post-conviction relief
- civil procedure

PRACTICE AREAS

- Habeas corpus
- Federal civil procedure

QUESTIONS PRESENTED

1. Whether the magistrate judge's Order and Report and Recommendation contained clear error when no party filed timely objections.
2. Whether the petition for a writ of habeas corpus should be denied and the matter dismissed without prejudice.

HOLDINGS

1. When no party objects to a magistrate judge's Report and Recommendation, the district court reviews it for clear error under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 72(b).
2. The magistrate judge's Report and Recommendation was accepted in full, the petition for a writ of habeas corpus was denied, and the matter was dismissed without prejudice.

KEY QUOTATIONS

“The Report and Recommendation [ECF No. 33] is *ACCEPTED in full.*”

“This matter is *DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE.*”

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

The petitioner, Michael Caine Redifer, Sr., filed a petition for a writ of habeas corpus. The magistrate judge issued an Order and Report and Recommendation recommending disposition of the petition. After receiving an extension of time, the petitioner did not file objections by the February 3, 2026 deadline.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

Magistrate Judge Leo I. Brisbois issued an Order and Report and Recommendation on December 29, 2025. Petitioner sought additional time to object and was given until February 3, 2026, but filed no objections. The district court reviewed the recommendation for clear error, accepted it in full, denied the habeas petition, and dismissed the matter without prejudice.

DISPOSITION

dismissed

CASES CITED

- Grindler v. Gammon, 73 F.3d 793, 795 (8th Cir. 1996) (per curiam)

OPINION

UNITDEISDT SRTIACTT EOSF D MISINTRNIECSTO CTOAU RT Michael Caine Redifer, Sr., File No. 25-cv-933 (ECT/LIB) Petitioner, v. ORDER T. Vaught, Warden, and FCI Sandstone, Respondents. Magistrate Judge Leo I. Brisbois issued an Order and Report and Recommendation on December 29, 2025. ECF No. 33. No party has objected to that Report and Recommendation,1 and it is therefore reviewed for clear error.

See Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(b); *Grinder v. Gammon*, 73 F.3d 793, 795 (8th Cir. 1996) (per curiam). Finding no clear error, and based on all the files, records, and proceedings herein, IT IS ORDERED THAT: 1. The Report and Recommendation [ECF No. 33] is ACCEPTED in full. 2. Michael Caine Redifer, Sr.'s petition for a writ of habeas corpus [ECF No. 1] is DENIED. 3.

This matter is DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE. LET JUDGMENT BE ENTERED ACCORDINGLY. Dated: February 10, 2026 s/ Eric C. Tostrud Eric C. Tostrud United States District Court 1 Petitioner Michael Caine Redifer, Sr. sought an extension of time to file objections to the Order and Report and Recommendation. ECF No. 34. He was given until February 3, 2026, to file any objections.

ECF No. 35. That deadline has passed, and no objections