

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE

IN THE MATTER OF THE                   §  
PETITION OF MICHAEL R.           § No. 426, 2014  
DUNBAR FOR A WRIT OF           §  
HABEAS CORPUS                   §

Submitted: August 27, 2014  
Decided: September 5, 2014

Before **HOLLAND, RIDGELY, and VALIHURA**, Justices.

**ORDER**

This 5th day of September 2014, it appears to the Court that:

(1) On August 8, 2014, the petitioner, Michael R. Dunbar, filed a petition for a writ of habeas corpus. On that same date, the Senior Court Clerk issued a notice directing Dunbar to show cause why his petition should not be dismissed for this Court's lack of original jurisdiction to issue a writ of habeas corpus. Dunbar filed a motion for appointment of counsel on August 13, 2014.

(2) In his response to the notice to show cause, Dunbar does not address this Court's lack of jurisdiction to issue a writ of habeas corpus. This Court has no original jurisdiction to issue a writ of habeas corpus.<sup>1</sup> Dunbar's petition for a writ of habeas corpus must, therefore, be dismissed.

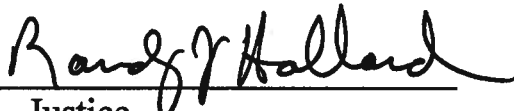
(3) Dismissal of the petition for a writ of habeas corpus renders Dunbar's motion for appointment of counsel moot.

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<sup>1</sup> *In re Cantrell*, 678 A.2d 525, 526 (Del. 1996).

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that that the petition for a writ of habeas corpus is DISMISSED and the motion for appointment of counsel is DISMISSED as moot.

BY THE COURT:

  
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Justice