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FOR THE TENTH CIRCUIT

August 22, 2025

Christopher M. Wolpert
Clerk of Court

In re: JERMEL D. McCRAY,

Movant.

No. 25-3147

ORDER

Before **HOLMES**, Chief Judge, **PHILLIPS** and **McHUGH**, Circuit Judges.

Jermel D. McCray, proceeding pro se, has filed a motion for authorization to file a second or successive 28 U.S.C. § 2255 motion. In June 2025, Mr. McCray pled guilty to drug trafficking and firearms crimes in the Western District of Missouri, and he was sentenced to 180 months in prison. It does not appear he has filed a first § 2255 motion to challenge his convictions or sentence, so authorization is unnecessary. Any § 2255 motion must be filed in the district court that imposed the sentence, *see* § 2255(a), which is the Western District of Missouri. And even if authorization is required, it must be sought from the appropriate court of appeals, *see* § 2255(h), which in this case is the Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit. For these reasons, we dismiss this motion for authorization.

Entered for the Court



CHRISTOPHER M. WOLPERT, Clerk