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for the Fifth Circuit

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No. 25-30761

MICHAEL ESPOSITO,

Petitioner—Appellant,

versus

NATHAN PATE, *Warden, Federal Correctional Institution OAKDALE,*

Respondent—Appellee.

Appeal from the United States District Court
for the Western District of Louisiana
USDC No. 2:25-CV-570

Before JONES, HO, and WILSON, *Circuit Judges.*

PER CURIAM:*

Michael Esposito, federal prisoner # 08838-095, appeals the dismissal of his 28 U.S.C. § 2241 petition, in which he challenged changes made by the Bureau of Prisons to the eligibility requirements for release to a halfway house. The district court denied and dismissed the petition for failure to exhaust and, alternatively, as lacking merit.

* This opinion is not designated for publication. *See* 5TH CIR. R. 47.5.

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According to the Federal Bureau of Prisons, Esposito was scheduled to be released on July 10, 2026. A prisoner's release moots his or her § 2241 petition "because there [is] no longer a live case or controversy for which any relief could be granted." *Herndon v. Upton*, 985 F.3d 443, 446 (5th Cir. 2021). Therefore, Esposito's appeal is DISMISSED as moot.