SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK Appellate Division, Fourth Judicial Department

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PRESENT: WHALEN, P.J., CENTRA, PERADOTTO, CURRAN, AND WINSLOW, JJ.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK EX REL. VINCENT TORRES, PETITIONER-APPELLANT,

V

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER

HAROLD T. GRAHAM, SUPERINTENDENT, AUBURN CORRECTIONAL FACILITY, RESPONDENT-RESPONDENT.

ADAM H. VANBUSKIRK, AUBURN, FOR PETITIONER-APPELLANT.

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Appeal from a judgment (denominated order) of the Supreme Court, Cayuga County (Mark H. Fandrich, A.J.), entered June 13, 2017 in a habeas corpus proceeding. The judgment, among other things, dismissed the petition.

It is hereby ORDERED that the judgment so appealed from is unanimously affirmed without costs.

Memorandum: Petitioner appeals from a judgment that, among other things, dismissed his habeas corpus petition. He contends that Supreme Court erred in denying him habeas corpus relief without an evidentiary hearing because he made a meritorious initial showing that he was arrested pursuant to an improper "John Doe" warrant that was not subsequently amended to include his name or a description of him. We reject that contention. Insofar as petitioner directs us to testimony in the record of his direct appeal (People v Torres, 129 AD3d 1535 [4th Dept 2015]), or information discovered through a Freedom of Information Law request, habeas corpus relief is not appropriate because he could have raised his contention on direct appeal or in a CPL article 440 motion (see People ex rel. Frederick v Superintendent, Auburn Corr. Facility, 156 AD3d 1468, 1468 [4th Dept 2017], lv denied 31 NY3d 908 [2018]; People ex rel. Haddock v Dolce, 149 AD3d 1593, 1593 [4th Dept 2017], lv denied 29 NY3d 917 [2017]; see generally People v Rossborough, 122 AD3d 1244, 1245 [4th Dept 2014]). We have considered petitioner's remaining arguments and conclude that they do not warrant modification or reversal of the judgment.

Entered: December 21, 2018

Mark W. Bennett Clerk of the Court