

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

LEE ANTON JACKSON,

Defendant.  
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ORDER

08-cr-69-bbc

11-cv-510-bbc

Defendant Lee Anton Jackson has filed a notice of appeal from the February 15, 2012 order denying his post conviction motion under 28 U.S.C. § 2255. He also seeks permission to proceed on appeal in forma pauperis. Although it appears that the appeal is untimely, it is not within this court's authority to determine the timeliness of an appeal; that decision is for the court of appeals to make.

According to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a), a defendant who is found eligible for court-appointed counsel in the district court proceedings may proceed on appeal in forma pauperis without further authorization "unless the district court shall certify that the appeal is not taken in good faith or shall find that the party is otherwise not entitled so to proceed." Defendant had appointed counsel during the criminal proceedings against him and I do not

intend to certify that the appeal is not taken in good faith. Defendant's challenge to his sentence is not wholly frivolous. A reasonable person could suppose that it has some merit. Lee v. Clinton, 209 F.3d 1025, 1026 (7th Cir. 2000).

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that defendant Lee Anton Jackson's request for leave to proceed in forma pauperis on appeal is GRANTED.

Entered this 26th day of April, 2012.

BY THE COURT:  
/s/  
BARBARA B. CRABB  
District Judge