

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

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

SUSAN SCHEPP,

Defendant.

ORDER

13-cr-102-bbc

Defendant Susan Schepp has moved for reconsideration of the May 30, 2014 denial of two motions: one for a stay of execution of the six month sentence imposed on her on May 5, 2014 and the second for release pending a decision on her appeal from her sentence. She cites the increased burden that has fallen upon her daughter to care for defendant's disabled son, now that defendant's son Eric is no longer available to help.

It is all too often the case that the burden of a defendant's crime and associated punishment falls more heavily on the defendant's family than on the defendant herself. It is unfortunate that defendant's daughter has had to shoulder these additional responsibilities as a result of defendant's choice to appropriate for herself money to which she was not entitled, but it is not a good reason to give defendant a stay of execution of her sentence and release pending a decision on her appeal. She will have to serve the sentence at some time and it is unlikely that her son's condition will become any easier in the meantime.

Whenever she serves her sentence, she will have to call on other family members, such as her sisters, her husband, her son's biological father or others.

Defendant worked full time until August 2013. It seems surprising that she cannot help her daughter reconstruct the arrangements on which defendant relied for her son's care when she was working full time as an insurance agent and going to gambling casinos a few nights each week.

Entered this 19th day of June, 2014.

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