IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

V.

ORDER

ERNEST KWASI BANKAS,

05-CR-0-75-S-01

Defendant.

On September 8, 2005 the United States Magistrate Judge Honorable Stephen L. Crocker denied defendant's motion to transfer the above entitled matter to the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas. The order is not a recommendation but a pretrial order reviewable by the Court under 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(A) to determine whether the order is clearly erroneous or contrary to law.

The magistrate judge's order correctly balanced the factors outlined in <u>Platt v. Minnesota Mining & Manufacturing Co.</u>, 376 U.S. 240, 243-44 (1964) and concluded that the case should not be transferred to the Northern District of Texas. Defendant has not shown this to be clearly erroneous or contrary to law. Accordingly, it will not be reconsidered.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that defendant's request to reconsider the Magistrate Judge's decision not to transfer this case to the Northern District of Texas is DENIED.

Entered this 23^{rd} day of September, 2005.

BY THE COURT:

s/ JOHN C. SHABAZ District Judge