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

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Petitioner,

v.

ORDER 07-C-420-S

RICARDO MARTINEZ, VICKIE BORTZ, KURT REIM, MARION FEATHER, JAMES (J.D.) PFEIFER and DAN SPROOLS,

 ${\tt Respondents.}$ 

Petitioner Anthony Pratt has filed the above entitled pro se submission which he has entitled a criminal complaint. Private individuals cannot prosecute federal criminal complaints. Prosecution of a federal crime is the prerogative of the United States through the attorney general and his delegates. See 28 U.S.C. §516; Keenan v. McGrath, 328 F.2d 610, 611(1st Cir. 1964). Accordingly, petitioner's complaint must be dismissed. He may contact the United States Attorney with his concerns.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that petitioner's complaint is DISMISSED without prejudice.

Entered this  $3^{rd}$  day of August, 2007.

BY THE COURT:

\_\_\_/s/ JOHN C. SHABAZ District Judge