

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

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

LONNIE WHITAKER,

Defendant.

ORDER

3:07-cr-123-bbc

Defendant Lonnie Whitaker by counsel David Mandell has filed a notice of appeal and motion for leave to proceed on appeal in forma pauperis and payment of costs of transcripts. The motion is GRANTED. From my review of defendant's affidavit and the information in the presentence report, I am satisfied that he is financially unable to pay the costs of his appeal and preparation of transcripts. I conclude also that defendant is financially eligible for the appointment of counsel. I will send the Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit a copy of this order so that it can appoint appellate counsel for defendant.

Entered this 8th day of February, 2008.

BY THE COURT:

/s/

BARBARA B. CRABB

District Judge