IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

ORDER

Plaintiff,

13-cv-722-bbc 08-cr-138-bbc

v.

JACOB STADFELD,

Defendant.

On April 21, 2014, defendant Jacob Stadfeld filed a notice of appeal from the April 8 order and April 9, 2014 judgment denying his post conviction motion under 28 U.S.C. § 2255. Because defendant had retained counsel during the criminal proceedings against him, he was not automatically eligible for <u>in forma pauperis</u> status on appeal. In an order entered on April 24, 2014, I gave defendant until May 30, 2014, in which to file an affidavit of indigency with the court so that it could determine whether defendant is eligible to proceed on appeal in forma pauperis.

On May 20, 2014, defendant filed an affidavit of indigency. From my review of defendant's financial affidavit, I am satisfied that he is financially unable to pay the costs

of his appeal. 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.

ORDER

Defendant's motion to proceed on appeal in forma pauperis is GRANTED.

Entered this 20th day of May, 2014.

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