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

THOMAS VALLEY,

**ORDER** 

Petitioner,

11-cr-133-bbc 15-cv-704-bbc

v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Respondent.

Petitioner Thomas Valley has filed a notice of appeal of the court's February 23, 2016 order denying his motion for post conviction relief under 28 U.S.C. § 2255. Petitioner's notice of appeal was not accompanied by the \$505 fee for filing an appeal. 28 U.S.C. § 2253(c)(1)(A); Fed. R. App. P. 22. Therefore, I construe it as including a request for leave to proceed in forma pauperis on appeal under 28 U.S.C. § 1915. According to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(3), "an appeal may not be taken in forma pauperis if the trial court certifies in writing that it is not taken in good faith." I do not find petitioner's appeal taken in bad faith.

## ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that petitioner Thomas Valley's request for leave to proceed <u>in</u> <u>forma pauperis</u> on appeal is GRANTED.

Entered this 11th day of March, 2016.

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