

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
EASTERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	)	
Plaintiff,	)	
	)	
v.	)	No. 23 CR 97-2
	)	The Hon. Elaine E. Bucklo
CHRISTOPHER SCOTT,	)	
Defendant.	)	

**MOTION FOR PERMISSION TO APPEAL
IN FORMA PAUPERIS**

NOW COMES Defendant, CHRISTOPHER SCOTT, through his counsel, JOSHUA B. ADAMS, and respectfully requests leave to proceed in forma pauperis on appeal, pursuant to Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure Rule 44. In support of his motion, Mr. Scott states as follows.

1. Mr. Scott initially retained undersigned counsel to represent him in the district court.
2. On August 20, 2025, this honorable court sentenced Mr. Scott to 70 months imprisonment and restitution of over \$567,333.00
3. Mr. Scott wishes to appeal this honorable court's sentence. He

does not have the funds necessary to hire counsel to prosecute the appeal.

4. Pursuant to the CJA plan adopted in this Circuit, “[I]f, at any stage of the proceedings. . the court finds the defendant is financially unable to pay counsel whom he has retained, the Court may appoint counsel as provided in subsection (b) of the Act and authorize payment as provided in subsection (d) of the Act and the CJA Guidelines, pursuant to subsection (c) of the Act.”

WHEREFORE, the defendant, Christophe Scott, prays that this Court grants him leave to appeal this case to the Seventh Circuit in forma pauperis.

Respectfully submitted,

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