

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

**TELEPHONE STATUS CONFERENCE
(Counsel Only)**

RONALD H. VAN DEN HEUVEL

Case No. 17-CR-160

HONORABLE WILLIAM C. GRIESBACH presiding
Proceeding Held: January 17, 2018
Deputy Clerk: Lori

Time Called: 4:00 pm
Time Concluded: 4:26 pm
Tape: 011718

Appearances:

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA by: Matthew Krueger

Ronald H. Van Den Heuvel by: Robert LeBell

US PROBATION OFFICE by:

INTERPRETER: None Interpreter Sworn

The Court placed this on the calendar to address status in this case and relevance of defendant's sentencing in 16CR64. Mr. LeBell states that his understanding is that defendant would like him to remain as counsel on this case. If defendant files an appeal in 16-cr-64, Mr. LeBell would find it necessary to withdraw as counsel in that matter. The Court inquires as to the government's position as to defendant's report date. Mr. Krueger states the government feels bound by the plea agreement not to oppose a request by counsel for a delayed report date. The Court inquires whether this case is unusual in the sense that it may be more difficult for defendant to assist in his defense. Mr. Krueger states the case is larger in size and number of documents, but there are tools to aid counsel in finding key documents to share with defendant. Mr. LeBell responds, detailing the complexity of case, voluminous documents, and the alleged fraud/sub-level schemes. The Court inquires as to the focus of criminal charges and SEC investigation. Mr. Krueger states there are approximately 150,000 documents consisting of 640,000 pages, and the core proof is much narrower. The government has provided a binder with key documents to assist counsel. Mr. LeBell feels that defendant's presence would be beneficial and sets forth concern over issues regarding prison facilities accepting voluminous materials for his client's review. Mr. LeBell states the case is complex, containing multiple layers of issues. Mr. Krueger responds as to chain of communication between defendant and investors.

Mr. LeBell is to notify the Court when defendant receives a reporting date.

The Court takes no action today. The Court will consider a motion to delay the reporting date in 16CR64 to allow defendant to assist counsel.

Telephone Status/Scheduling Conference is placed on the calendar for March 16, 2018 at 3:00 pm.