

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES
FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA
ANDERSON DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

vs.

ROBERT CLARKSON

Criminal Number 8:07-0536

ORDER

This matter is before the court on motion of the defendant filed June 18, 2007, for return of property seized pursuant to a search warrant executed on May 3, 2007. The defendant seeks return of the following

- A. Hundreds of copies of the Declaration of Independence ... the US Constitution ... and the Bill of Rights ...
- B. All of the Patriot Network political association's, books, literature, videos, DVD's, audio tapes, CDs and items for distribution, including law dictionaries. ...
- C. Clarkson's computer and harddrive. ...
- D. Uncashed checks and money orders, cash, silver and gold coins. ...
- E. Copies of Clarkson's newsletter, pamphlets and articles including "Default on the National Debt" plus "various government protest handout for distribution to the public."
- F. Various family pictures, awards, diplomas, certificates. ...
- G. Blank stationery, plain paper, empty parchment paper, blank membership cards, membership cards, holiday cards, Christmas cards, blank papers of various sorts, blank DVD's, blank audio tapes and his tool box.

- H. Personal books, lawsuit materials, pleadings in active cases, and research materials including Clarkson's ancient files on COINTELPRO.
- I. Membership cards and financial records.
- J. Records and materials for Clarkson's church and his religious activities.
- K. Numerous other items.

The government filed its response to the motion on August 9, 2007, maintaining that the items were lawfully seized and asking the court to deny the defendant's motion.

Now, therefore,

IT IS ORDERED that the government is directed to return to the defendant by August 31, 2007, any items seized on May 3, 2007, which are not relevant to the ongoing investigation in this case.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

s/William M. Catoe
United States Magistrate Judge

August 10, 2007

Greenville, South Carolina