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RE: 11-2057 United States v. Christopher Elder

Dear Counsel:

The district court has transmitted a notice of appeal in this criminal matter, and we have docketed it under the caption and case number shown above. Please include the caption and the case number on all correspondence or pleadings submitted to the court. Counsel in the case must supply the clerk with an Appearance Form. Counsel may download or fill out an [Appearance Form](#) on the "Forms" page on our web site at www.ca8.uscourts.gov.

As this is a fee paid case, your duties as counsel of record are defined by Eighth Circuit Rule 27C and the Eighth Circuit's Plan to Expedite Criminal Appeals. Please review these materials which are on the "Rules and Publications" page of our web site.

The court has established a briefing schedule for the case, a copy of which will be forwarded under separate notice of docket activity. Please review the schedule and note the key filing dates. You should also review Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure 28 and 32, as well as Eighth Circuit Rules 28A and 32A. Useful information about briefing and the record on appeal can be found at these links:

www.ca8.uscourts.gov/newcoa/notes/redactcr-egov.pdf
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If a transcript will be required for the appeal, you should immediately contact the official court reporter and take steps to order the transcripts and arrange for payment for their production.

The court has directed the clerk's office to monitor and enforce compliance with the briefing schedule. Failure to meet the briefing deadlines will result in the issuance of an order to show cause and may lead to dismissal of the appeal, as well as the initiation of disciplinary proceedings. Requests for extensions of time must be filed on a timely basis and should establish good cause. Overlength briefs are strongly discouraged.

On June 1, 2007, the Eighth Circuit implemented the appellate version of CM/ECF. Electronic filing is now mandatory for attorneys and voluntary for pro se litigants proceeding without an attorney. Information about electronic filing can be found at the court's web site www.ca8.uscourts.gov. In order to become an authorized Eighth Circuit filer, you must register with the PACER Service Center at <https://www.pacer.gov/psco/cgi-bin/cmecf/ea-regform.pl>. Questions about CM/ECF may be addressed to the Clerk's office.

If you have any questions about the schedule or procedures for the case, please contact our office.

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Caption For Case Number: 11-2057

United States of America

Plaintiff - Appellee

v.

Christopher L. Elder

Defendant - Appellant

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