

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI
WESTERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

PLAINTIFF

v.

NO. 3:07CR192-B

RICHARD F. "DICKIE" SCRUGGS
DAVID ZACHARY SCRUGGS
SIDNEY A. BACKSTROM

DEFENDANTS

ORDER SETTING SENTENCING HEARING

The court having been advised by the United States Probation Office for the Northern District of Mississippi that the presentence reports in the above styled and numbered cause on the three named defendants listed were sent to the said defendants for their review on May 23, 2008. The defendants are granted fourteen days to review their reports and make any comments thereon. Therefore, the court should receive any comments from the defendants no later than June 6, 2008.

The Probation Office and the United States Attorney's Office will then have seven days within which to respond to any comments the defendants may make and, therefore, the said responses are due in the court by June 13, 2008.

The court sets the sentencings herein for the three above-named defendants on Wednesday, June 18, 2008, as follows:

10:00 a.m. - Richard "Dickie" Scruggs

2:00 p.m. - Sidney A. Backstrom

3:00 p.m. - David Zachary Scruggs

The court has observed that the defendants have solicited numerous persons to write letters to the court requesting leniency for the defendants and making observations about the defendants' character. The court will allow testimony from a maximum of three persons for each defendant in the defendant's discretion at the sentencing hearing.

Ordered and adjudged this, the 29th day of May, 2008.

/s/ Neal Biggers

NEAL B. BIGGERS, JR.
SENIOR UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE