

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
PROBATION OFFICE

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~~Honorable~~ A. Howard Matz  
United States District Judge  
United States Court House  
Los Angeles, California 90012

Re: SUTCLIFFE, Steven William  
Docket No. 02-00350(A)

Dear Judge Matz:

The following sentence is respectfully recommended, being within the guideline sentencing range of 37 to 46 months, based upon an offense level of 21 and a criminal history category of I.

It is ordered that the defendant shall pay to the United States a special assessment of \$800, which is due immediately.

It is ordered that the defendant shall pay to the United States a total fine of \$75,000, consisting of the following: Counts 1, 2, and 4, a fine of \$20,000 each count; Counts 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9, a fine of \$3,000 each count. The total fine shall bear interest as provided by law. The fine shall be paid in full immediately.

The defendant shall comply with General Order No. 01-05.

Pursuant to the Sentencing Reform Act of 1984, it is the judgment of the Court that the defendant, Steven William Sutcliffe, is hereby committed on Counts 1, 2, and 4 through 9 of the 9-Count First Superseding Indictment to the custody of the Bureau of Prisons to be imprisoned for a term of 46 months. This term consists of 46 months on each of Counts 1, 2, and 4, and 36 months on each of Counts 5 through 9 of the First Superseding Indictment, all to be served concurrently.

Upon release from imprisonment, the defendant shall be placed on supervised release for a term of three years. This term consists of three years on each of Counts 1, 2 and 4, and one year on each of Counts 5 through 9, all such terms to run concurrently under the following terms and conditions:

General Conditions

1. The defendant shall comply with the rules and regulations of the U. S. Probation Office and General Order 318;

Global. According to his wife, Sutcliffe considers a social security number the mark of the devil.

When arrested for the instant offense Sutcliffe proved difficult during the booking process. Specifically, he lowered his head when photographed, claiming his religion prohibited same, and stated the only way the local authorities would fingerprint him would be by cutting off his fingers.

Due to the dated nature of much of Sutcliffe's prior criminal history specific facts are very limited. His criminal convictions stem from either some form of peace disturbance or assault. Of special concern is the "killercop" website registered to Sutcliffe after his arrest in 1997. On that website killing police officers, including those who arrested Sutcliffe, was encouraged. In May 2001 Sutcliffe was removed from the court room where he had attempted to obtain an arrest warrant for one of those arresting officers.

Personal information about Sutcliffe is currently limited as he elected not to be interviewed or complete any of the forms requested by the Probation Officer, including those that would authorize the Probation Officer to obtain a credit report, employment, military, or mental health records. Nonetheless, there appears to be sufficient indication that Sutcliffe is in need of mental health treatment. However, his lack of cooperation at this stage of his criminal proceedings suggests he may prove difficult to supervise in the community.

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Sentencing at the high end of the sentencing range has been recommended based upon the following aggravating factors: The level of complexity Sutcliffe used to disseminate the information on the internet and making the removal of same virtually impossible; the type, amount, and level of threats and intimidation tactics used during the commission of the offense which are not fully reflected in the offense level computation; Sutcliffe's behavior which lead to his removal from a courtroom after being informed he could not obtain an arrest warrant for an officer that previously arrested him; Sutcliffe's prior use of his earlier website to encourage the killing of police officers and attempt to intimidate, at best, the officers who previously arrested him; the uncooperative behavior Sutcliffe exhibited during his initial booking for the instant offense and his current unwillingness to provide information to the Probation Officer.