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THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

MICHELLE MEERSAND, :

Plaintiff, : CIVIL ACTION

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v. : NO. 20-1084

KILOLO KIJAKAZI.¹ :

Acting Commissioner of the :

Social Security Administration, :

Defendant.

ORDER

AND NOW, this 28TH day of October, 2021, upon review of the brief in support of the request for review filed by Plaintiff, Defendant's response, and Plaintiff's reply thereto (Docs. 19-21), as well as the administrative record, and for the reasons set forth in the accompanying Memorandum Opinion, it is hereby **ORDERED** that Plaintiff's Request for Review (Doc. 19) is **GRANTED**, the final decision of the Commissioner denying disability benefits to Plaintiff is **VACATED**, and the matter is **REMANDED** to the Commissioner pursuant to Sentence Four of 42 U.S.C. § 405(g) for further proceedings.

The Clerk of the Court shall mark this case **CLOSED** for statistical purposes.

BY THE COURT:

/s/ David R. Strawbridge, USMJ DAVID R. STRAWBRIDGE UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

¹ Kilolo Kijakazi became the Acting Commissioner of Social Security on July 9, 2021. Pursuant to Rule 25(d) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Kilolo Kijakazi should be substituted for Andrew Saul as Defendant. No further action need be taken to continue this suit by reason of the last sentence of section 205(g) of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. § 405(g).