IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF ARKANSAS WESTERN DIVISION

RICHARD D. MORTON

PLAINTIFF

v.

CASE NO. 4:09-cv-00735-JTK

MICHAEL J. ASTRUE, *Commissioner*, Social Security Administration

DEFENDANT

ORDER

On October 21, 2010, the court entered an Order and Judgment reversing the decision of the Commissioner and remanding the case for further proceedings. (Doc. Nos. 17 and 18) Plaintiff has filed a motion for attorney's fees pursuant to the Equal Access to Justice Act (EAJA), 28 U.S.C. § 2412. (Doc. No. 20) He seeks compensation for 32.20 hours of work performed by his attorney in 2009, 2010 and 2011 at a rate of \$146.00 per hour. The Commissioner does not object to the number of hours or the hourly rate submitted by Plaintiff. (Doc. No. 22) Accordingly, the court grants Plaintiff compensation for 32.20 hours of work at \$146.00 per hour for a total of \$4701.20. *See Astrue v. Ratliff*, 130 S. Ct. 2521 (2010) (EAJA fees are payable to plaintiff, not plaintiff's attorney, and such fees are subject to an offset when the plaintiff has outstanding federal debts).

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Plaintiff is awarded attorney's fees in the amount of \$4701.20.

DATED this 2nd day of February, 2011.

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE