

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

TEDDY A. BRINKER,

PLAINTIFF

v.

Case No. 4:12-cv-00198-KGB-JJV

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

DEFENDANT

ORDER

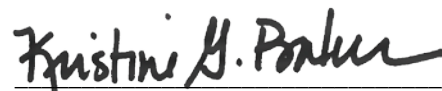
Before the Court is plaintiff Teddy A. Brinker's motion for attorney's fees and costs pursuant to the Equal Access to Justice Act ("EAJA"), 28 U.S.C. § 2412(d). The Commissioner responded and does not object to the fees and costs requested. For good cause shown, the Court finds and directs:

1. The hours spent by counsel were reasonable. Therefore the Court approves attorney's fees and costs in the amount of \$4,368.10 (24.4 hours at \$178.07 per hour and \$23.20 for the cost of service).

2. The EAJA fee award is payable to plaintiff and mailed to plaintiff's counsel but subject to any offset to satisfy any pre-existing debt owed to the United States. *Astrue v. Ratliff*, --- U.S. ----, 130 S.Ct. 2521, 2527 (2010).

3. Defendant shall certify said award and pay this amount.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 28th day of August, 2013.



KRISTINE G. BAKER
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE