

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

STEVEN J. DOERFLEIN

PLAINTIFF

V.

CIVIL ACTION NO. 3:19-cv-3075-MEF

ANDREW M. SAUL, Commissioner  
Social Security Administration

DEFENDANT

**FINAL JUDGMENT**

This cause is before the Court on the Plaintiff's complaint for judicial review of an unfavorable final decision of the Commissioner of the Social Security Administration denying his claim for disability benefits. The parties have consented to entry of final judgment by the United States Magistrate Judge under the provisions of 28 U.S.C. § 636(c). The Court, having reviewed the administrative record, the briefs of the parties, the applicable law, and the parties having waived oral argument, finds as follows, to-wit:

Consistent with the Court's ruling from the bench, the decision of the Commissioner of Social Security is reversed and remanded for further proceedings pursuant to sentence four of 42 U.S.C. § 405(g).

The Court does not find substantial evidence to support the ALJ's RFC determination in this case. Light work requires that a claimant be able to stand or walk for six hours of an eight-hour workday. Based on the evidence documenting Plaintiff's persistent pain, reduced range of motion, trigger points, asymmetric and antalgic gait, left lower extremity weakness, and abnormal straight leg raise tests, the Court finds Plaintiff would not be able to stand and walk for six hours out of an eight-hour workday.

On remand, the ALJ is also directed to reconsider the impact of Plaintiff's physical impairments on his mental abilities.

IT IS SO ORDERED AND ADJUDGED on this the 19th day of October 2020.

/s/ Mark E. Ford

HON. MARK E. FORD

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE