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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

KHOU M. CHANG,

Plaintiff,

v.

MICHAEL J. ASTRUE,  
Commissioner of Social Security,

Defendant.

) Case No.: 1:11-at-00763

) **ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION TO**  
) **PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS**

) (Doc. 4)

Plaintiff Khou M. Chang filed a complaint on December 2, 2011, along with an application to proceed *in forma pauperis* pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915. Plaintiff's application demonstrates entitlement to proceed without prepayment of fees.

Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. Plaintiff's application to proceed *in forma pauperis* is GRANTED;
2. The Clerk of Court is DIRECTED to issue a summons; and
3. The United States marshal is DIRECTED to serve a copy of the complaint, summons, and this order upon the defendant as directed by the plaintiff.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: December 2, 2011

/s/ Sheila K. Oberto  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE