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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**

EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

JUAN T. SANCHEZ,

Plaintiff,

v.

ANDREW M. SAUL,  
Commissioner of Social Security,

Defendant.

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Case No. 1:20-cv-00533-SKO

**ORDER LIFTING STAY TO PERMIT  
APPROVAL OF MOTION TO  
PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS AND  
FOR SERVICE UPON DEFENDANT**

On April 14, 2020, Plaintiff Juan T. Sanchez filed this action seeking judicial review of a final decision of the Commissioner of Social Security (“Commissioner”) denying his applications for disability benefits pursuant to the Social Security Act. (Doc. 1.) He also filed an application to proceed *in forma pauperis* pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915. (Doc. 2.)

On April 20, 2020, the Court entered an order staying proceedings in this matter pursuant to General Order No. 615 (“G.O. No. 615”). (Doc. 3.) G.O. No. 615, issued April 14, 2020, stays all Social Security actions filed after February 1, 2020, until the Commissioner may begin normal operations at the Office of Appellate Hearings Operations and may resume preparation of a certified copy of the administrative record. *See* E.D. Cal. G.O. No. 615.

Upon reconsideration of G.O. No. 615, the Court has determined that the General Order contemplated: (1) Plaintiff’s payment of the filing fee or adjudication of an application to proceed *in forma pauperis*; and (2) issuance of a summons and service of the complaint upon the Commissioner, despite staying the proceedings in all other regards.

Accordingly, it is hereby ORDERED that the stay in this matter shall be lifted for the limited purpose of: (1) adjudication of Plaintiff’s pending application to proceed *in forma pauperis* (Doc.

1 2); and (2) issuance of the summons by the Clerk of Court to permit service of the complaint on  
2 Commissioner. In all other regards, the stay of proceedings in this case shall continue and will be  
3 automatically lifted when the Commissioner files the certified copy of the administrative record.  
4 See E.D. Cal. G.O. 615 ¶¶ 6, 10.

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6 IT IS SO ORDERED.

7 Dated: September 11, 2020

*/s/ Sheila K. Oberto*  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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