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10	UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT		
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12	EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA		
13	SAC	CRAMENTO DIVISION	
14	RAQUEL DANIELLE REED,)	
15	Plaintiff,) Case No. 2:10-cv-02282-DAD	
16	v.) STIPULATION AND ORDER	
17	, .) FOR AWARD OF EAJA FEES	
18	CAROLYN W. COLVIN, ¹)	
	Commissioner of Social Security,		
19)	
20	Defendant.)	
21	IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED by and between the parties through their undersigned counsel,		
22	subject to the approval of the Court, that Plaintiff be awarded attorney fees under the Equal Access to		
23	Justice Act (EAJA), 28 U.S.C. § 2412(d), in the amount of FIVE THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED		
24	DOLLARS (\$5,400.00). This amount represents compensation for all legal services rendered on behalf		
25	of Plaintiff by counsel in connection with this civil action, in accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 2412(d).		
26	of 1 minute of counsel in connection with this civil action, in accordance with 20 0.5.C. § 2412(d).		
27	¹ Carolyn W. Colvin became the Acting Commissioner of Social Security on February 14, 2013.		
28	Pursuant to Rule 25(d) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Carolyn W. Colvin should be substituted for Michael J. Astrue as the defendant in this suit. No further action need to be taken to continue this suit by reason of the last sentence of section 205(g) of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. § 405(g).		
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After the Court issues an order for EAJA fees and expenses to Plaintiff, the government will consider the matter of Plaintiff's assignment of EAJA fees and expenses to Plaintiff's attorney. Pursuant to Astrue v. Ratliff, 130 S.Ct. 2521 (2010), the ability to honor the assignment will depend on whether the fees, expenses are subject to any offset allowed under the United States Department of the Treasury's Offset Program. After the order for EAJA fees and expenses is entered, the government will determine whether they are subject to any offset.

Fees and expenses shall be made payable to Plaintiff, but if the Department of the Treasury determines that Plaintiff does not owe a federal debt, then the government shall cause the payment of fees to be made directly to Joseph Fraulob, pursuant to the assignment executed by Plaintiff. Any payments made shall be delivered to Plaintiff's counsel.

This stipulation constitutes a compromise settlement of Plaintiff's request for EAJA attorney fees and expenses, and does not constitute an admission of liability on the part of Defendant under the EAJA. Payment of the agreed amount shall constitute a complete release from, and bar to, any and all claims that Plaintiff and/or Plaintiff's counsel may have relating to EAJA attorney fees and expenses in connection with this action.

This award is without prejudice to the rights of Plaintiff's counsel to seek Social Security Act attorney fees under 42 U.S.C. § 406, subject to the provisions of the EAJA.

DATE: February 22, 2013 /s/ Francesco Benavides for Joseph Fraulob*

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By: <u>/s/ Francesco P. Benavides</u>
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<u>ORDER</u>

Based upon the parties' Stipulation for Award of EAJA Fees ("Stipulation"), IT IS ORDERED that Plaintiff is awarded attorney's fees pursuant to the Equal Access to Justice Act ("EAJA") in the amount of FIVE THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED (\$5,400.00), as authorized by 28 U.S.C. § 2412(d), and subject to the terms and conditions of the Stipulation. Dated: February 26, 2013

DALE A. DROZD

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE