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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

RETH DIM,

Plaintiff,

Defendant.

vs.

CIV. NO. 2:19-CV-02570-AC

STIPULATION FOR AWARD OF EAJA FEES

COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SECURITY,

IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED by the parties, through their undersigned attorneys, and with the approval of the Court as provided below, that Plaintiff be awarded attorney fees under the Equal Access To Justice Act (EAJA) 28 U.S.C. 2412(d), in the amount of four thousand, six hundred and eighty-eight dollars and sixty-seven cents (\$4688.67). This amount represents compensation for all legal services rendered on behalf of Plaintiff by his counsel in connection with this civil action, in accordance with 28 U.S.C. 2412(d).

After the Court issues an order for EAJA fees to Plaintiff, the government will consider the matter of Plaintiff's assignment of EAJA fees to Plaintiff's attorney. Pursuant to <u>Astrue v. Ratliff</u>, 130 S.Ct. 2521 (U.S. June 14, 2010), the ability to honor the assignment will depend on whether the fees are subject to any offset allowed under the United States Department of the Treasury's Offset Program. After the order to EAJA fees is entered, the government will determine if it is subject to any offset.

Fees and costs 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

1	payment of fees and costs to be made directly to Plaintiff's counsel Joseph C. Fraulob, pursuant
2	to the written assignment executed by Plaintiff. Any payments shall be delivered to Plaintiff's
3	counsel Joseph C. Fraulob.
4	This stipulation constitutes a compromise settlement of Plaintiff's request for EAJA
5	attorney fees and does not constitute an admission of liability on the part of Defendant under the
6	EAJA. Payment of the agreed amount shall constitute a complete release from, and bar to, any
7	and all claims that Plaintiff and/or Plaintiff's counsel may have relating to EAJA attorney fees
8	and/or costs in connection with this action.
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10	DATE: September 3, 2020 By /s/ Joseph C. Fraulob
11	DATE: September 3, 2020 By <u>/s/ Joseph C. Fraulob</u> JOSEPH C. FRAULOB
12	Attorney for plaintiff
13	DATE: September 3, 2020 McGREGOR W. SCOTT
14	United States Attorney
15	DEBORAH LEE STACHEL
16	Regional Chief Counsel, Region IX Social Security Administration
17	By /s/ Ellinor R. Coder
18	(*authorized via e-mail on September 3, 2020)
19	ELLINOR R. CODER Special Assistant U.S. Attorney
20	Attorneys for Defendant
21	i zwoznej o zor z oronomio
22	ORDER
23	APPROVED AND SO ORDERED
24	TH TRO TED THU SO ORDERED
25	DATED: September 8, 2020
26 27	DATED: September 8, 2020 ALLISON CLAIRE
28	UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE