

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA  
FORT MYERS DIVISION

NANCY JAYNE HILL,

Plaintiff,

v.

Case No: 2:13-cv-120-FtM-38DNF

COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL  
SECURITY,

Defendant.

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**ORDER**<sup>1</sup>

This matter comes before the Court on Report and Recommendation of United States Magistrate Judge Douglas N. Frazier ([Doc. #26](#)) filed on February 10, 2014. Judge Frazier recommends Plaintiff's Petition for Attorney Fees ([Doc. #25](#)) be granted, and attorney fees in the amount of \$5,180.45 and costs in the amount of \$385.00 be awarded to Plaintiff, which may be paid directly to counsel if the United States Department of Treasury determines that no federal debt is owed. No objections have been filed.

After conducting a careful and complete review of the findings and recommendations, a district judge may accept, reject, or modify the magistrate judge's report and recommendation. [28 U.S.C. § 636\(b\)\(1\)](#); [Williams v. Wainwright](#), [681 F.2d 732 \(11th Cir. 1982\)](#); [cert. denied](#), [459 U.S. 1112 \(1983\)](#). In the absence of specific objections, there is no requirement that a district judge review factual findings *de novo*, [Garvey v.](#)

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[Vaughn](#), 993 F.2d 776, 779 n.9 (11th Cir. 1993), and the court may accept, reject, or modify, in whole or in part, the findings and recommendations. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(C). The district judge reviews legal conclusions *de novo*, even in the absence of an objection. See [Cooper-Houston v Southern Ry. Co.](#), 37 F.3d 603, 604 (11th Cir. 1994); [Castro Bobadilla v. Reno](#), 826 F. Supp. 1428, 1431-32 (S.D. Fla. 1993), [aff'd](#), 28 F.3d 116 (11th Cir.1994) (Table).


The Court has made an independent review of the record and Judge Frazier's Report and Recommendation. The Court agrees with Judge Frazier's findings.

Accordingly, it is now

**ORDERED:**

1. Report and Recommendation ([Doc. #26](#)) is **ACCEPTED and ADOPTED** and is made a part of this Order for all purposes.
2. Plaintiff's Petition for Attorney's Fees ([Doc. #25](#)) is **GRANTED**. Plaintiff is awarded attorney fees in the amount of **\$5,180.45** and costs in the amount of **\$385.00** which may be paid directly to counsel if the United States Department of Treasury determines that no federal debt is owed.

**DONE** and **ORDERED** in Fort Myers, Florida this 25th day of February, 2014.

  
SHERI POLSTER CHAPPELL  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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