UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA OCALA DIVISION

TERESA VENIECE GEER,

Plaintiff,

v. Case No: 5:15-cv-507-Oc-18PRL

COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SECURITY,

Defendant.

<u>ORDER</u>

THIS CAUSE concerns Plaintiff Teresa Veniece Geer's appeal from a final decision of the Commissioner of the Social Security Administration (the "Commissioner") denying her application for Disability Insurance Benefits ("DIB") after proceedings before an Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ"). [See Doc. 14-2 at 15-27.] Geer filed a request for review of the ALJ's decision with the Appeals Council, which was denied. (See Doc. 14-2 at at 4-7.) Subsequently, Geer filed her complaint in this Court. (Doc. 1.) On December 29, 2016, Magistrate Philip R. Lammens issued a Report and Recommendation (the "Report and Recommendation") recommending that the Commissioner's decision be affirmed (Doc. 20), to which Geer filed objections (Doc. 21). The Commissioner did not file a response to Geer's objections.

The ALJ's findings are supported by substantial evidence, and the ALJ applied the proper legal analysis to Geer's disability claims. After de novo review of the portions of the Report and Recommendation to which Geer objected, including portions pertaining to the opinions and

¹ The Commissioner filed a certified copy of the record before the Social Security Administration. (See Doc. 14.)

medical records of Geer's treating physician, it is hereby **ORDERED** and **ADJUDGED** as follows:

- United States Magistrate Judge Philip R. Lammens' Report and Recommendation (Doc.
 is APPROVED and ADOPTED and is made part of this Order for all purposes, including appellate review.
 - 2. The Commissioner's final decision in this case is **AFFIRMED**.
- 3. The Clerk of the Court is directed to **ENTER JUDGMENT** accordingly and **CLOSE** this case.

DONE and **ORDERED** in Orlando, Florida on this _____ day of February, 2017.

G. KENDALL SHARP

SENIOR UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Copies furnished to: Counsel of Record