

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
TAMPA DIVISION

FAYE M. KING,

Plaintiff,

v.

Case No. 8:12-cv-2358-T-33MAP

CAROLYN W. COLVIN, Acting
Commissioner of the United
States Social Security
Administration,¹

Defendant.

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ORDER

This matter is before the Court on consideration of the Report and Recommendation of United States Magistrate Judge Mark A. Pizzo (Doc. # 15), filed on December 5, 2013, recommending that the decision of the Commissioner denying benefits be affirmed. As of this date, no objection to the Report and Recommendation has been filed, and the time to do so has now passed. After careful consideration, the Court adopts the Report and Recommendation of the Magistrate Judge.

¹ Carolyn W. Colvin became Acting Commissioner of Social Security on February 14, 2013. Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 25(d)(1), Ms. Colvin is substituted for Michael J. Astrue as the defendant in this lawsuit.

Discussion

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. 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-Hous. v. S. 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).

After conducting a careful and complete review of the findings, conclusions, and recommendations, and giving de novo review to matters of law, the Court accepts the factual findings and legal conclusions of the Magistrate Judge, and adopts the recommendation of the Magistrate Judge.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED, ADJUDGED, and DECREED:

- (1) The Report and Recommendation of Mark A. Pizzo, United States Magistrate Judge (Doc. # 15) is **ADOPTED**.
- (2) The decision of the Commissioner of Social Security denying benefits is **AFFIRMED**.
- (3) The Clerk is directed to enter a Judgment in favor of the Commissioner reflecting that the Commissioner's decision denying benefits is affirmed. Thereafter, the Clerk is directed to **CLOSE THE CASE**.

DONE and **ORDERED** in Chambers in Tampa, Florida, this 26th day of December, 2013.


VIRGINIA M. HERNANDEZ COVINGTON
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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