## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

| o/b/o M.A.W., a minor,        | )            |                            |
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| Plaintiff,                    | j            |                            |
| <b>,</b>                      | ) Civil No.  | 15-cv-596-CJP <sup>1</sup> |
| vs.                           | )            |                            |
| CAROLYN W. COLVIN,            | )            |                            |
| Acting Commissioner of Social | j            |                            |
| Security,                     | )            |                            |
|                               | )            |                            |
| Defendant.                    |              |                            |
| MEMORAND                      | UM and ORDEF | 2                          |

## PROUD, Magistrate Judge:

This matter is now before the Court on the parties' Joint Stipulation to Remand to the Commissioner. (Doc. 27).

The parties agree that this case should be remanded to the agency for further proceedings pursuant to sentence four of 42 U.S.C. § 405(g). A sentence four remand (as opposed to a sentence six remand) depends upon a finding of error, and is itself a final, appealable order. See, *Melkonyan v. Sullivan*, 501 U.S. 89 (1991); *Perlman v. Swiss Bank Corporation Comprehensive Disability Protection Plan*, 195 F.3d 975, 978 (7th Cir. 1999). Upon a sentence four remand, judgment should be entered in favor of plaintiff. *Schaefer v. Shalala*, 509 U.S. 292, 302-303 (1993).

The parties agree that, on remand, the Appeals Council will instruct the ALJ to hold a new hearing and provide plaintiff with an opportunity to submit

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This case was referred to the undersigned for final disposition upon consent of the parties, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §636(c). See, Doc. 16.

additional evidence. If necessary, the ALJ will seek supplemental evidence from

a medical expert. After reevaluating the evidence, the ALJ will issue a new

decision regarding the disability application.

For good cause shown, the parties' Joint Stipulation to Remand (Doc.

27) is GRANTED.

The final decision of the Commissioner of Social Security denying Talana

Brown's application for social security benefits is **REVERSED and REMANDED** 

to the Commissioner for rehearing and reconsideration of the evidence,

pursuant to **four** of 42 U.S.C. §405(g).

The Clerk of Court is directed to enter judgment in favor of plaintiff.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: February 17, 2016.

s/ Clifford J. Proud CLIFFORD J. PROUD

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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