

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN  
SOUTHERN DIVISION

TOWANA MCKINNEY,

Plaintiff,

v.

COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SECURITY,

Defendant.

Case No. 14-11980

SENIOR U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE  
ARTHUR J. TARNOW

U.S. MAGISTRATE JUDGE  
ANTHONY P. PATTI

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**ORDER TRANSFERRING CASE TO PROPER VENUE**

Before the Court is Plaintiff's Complaint [1]. For the reasons that follow, the case is transferred to the Western District of Michigan.

Venue is proper in the judicial district where either defendants reside or where the claim arose. *Al-Muhaymin v. Jones*, 895 F.2d 1147, 1148 (6th Cir. 1990); 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b). If a Plaintiff files a case in the wrong district, the court "shall dismiss, or if it be in the interest of justice, transfer such case to any district or division in which it could have been brought." 28 U.S.C. § 1406(a). A district court may transfer a case *sua sponte*. *Carver v. Knox County, Tenn.*, 887 F.2d

1287, 1291 (6th Cir. 1989). The action arose in Kent County, which is located in the Western District. Accordingly,

**IT IS ORDERED** that this case is **TRANSFERRED** to the Western District of Michigan.

**SO ORDERED.**

Dated: February 9, 2016

s/Arthur J. Tarnow  
Arthur J. Tarnow  
Senior United States District Judge