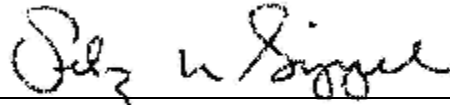


IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Report and Recommendation of the United States Magistrate Judge Blanton is **SUSTAINED, ADOPTED AND INCORPORATED** herein. The Commissioner of Social Security's decision to deny disability benefits to Plaintiff is affirmed.

Dated this 23rd day of February, 2009.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rodney W. Sippel", written over a horizontal line.

RODNEY W. SIPPEL
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE