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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

JAMES J. CUMMINS,

Plaintiff,

vs.

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION,

Defendant.

Case No. 2:12-cv-00443-LRH-GWF

**ORDER**

This matter comes before the Court on the Court’s May 8, 2013 Order Concerning Review of Social Security Cases (#19). Plaintiff’s motion to remand was due June 7, 2013. *See Order, Doc. #19.* Because no motion was filed, and because Plaintiff is pro se in this matter, the Court conducted a status conference on Thursday, October 31, 2013. In light of the representations made at the status conference, the Court shall allow Plaintiff an additional 30 days to file his motion to remand. Plaintiff is further instructed that the provisions of the Court’s May 8, 2013 Order Concerning Review of Social Security Cases (#19) still apply, and are restated below. Accordingly,

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that Plaintiff’s motion to reverse or remand is due on or before **November 30, 2013**. Defendant’s response to Plaintiff’s motion is due on or before **December 30, 2013**. Plaintiff’s reply to Defendant’s response is due on or before **January 20, 2014**.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the provisions of the Court’s May 8, 2013 Order (#19) still apply as follows:

1. In the event plaintiff intends to request a remand of this case on the basis of new evidence, plaintiff shall, within thirty (30) days of the filing of this Order, file a motion to remand in this Court based on new evidence. The new evidence shall be attached to the motion. A copy of the motion and evidence shall be served on:

United States Attorney  
Lloyd D. George United States Courthouse  
333 Las Vegas Boulevard South  
Las Vegas, NV 89101

2. In the event plaintiff files a motion for remand on the basis of new evidence, the defendant shall have thirty (30) days from the date of service of such motion to file either (i) a notice of voluntary remand of the case or (ii) points and authorities in opposition to plaintiff's motion. If defendant files points and authorities in opposition, plaintiff shall have twenty (20) days from the date of service of such points and authorities to file a reply.

3. Under 42 U.S.C. § 405(g) remand for reconsideration of new evidence will not be granted unless the evidence is new and material and there is a showing of good cause for failure to incorporate the evidence into the record at an earlier stage. Therefore, if plaintiff seeks remand for consideration of new evidence, the motion shall include a statement of reasons why the new evidence was not incorporated into the record at an earlier stage.

4. In the event plaintiff does not file a motion for remand on the basis of new medical evidence, the plaintiff shall, within thirty (30) days of receipt of this Order, file with this Court a motion for reversal and/or remand.

5. Whenever plaintiff files a motion for reversal and/or remand, which includes issues based on the administrative record, plaintiff's motion shall include:

(a) A specification of each and every condition or ailment, or combination of the two, that allegedly renders plaintiff disabled and is allegedly supported by evidence contained in the administrative record.

(b) A complete summary of all medical evidence in the record that supports plaintiff's claim of disability due to each condition or ailment specified in subparagraph 5(a) above, with precise references to the applicable portions of the record. This summary shall not include medical evidence unrelated to the conditions or ailments upon which plaintiff's claim or claims of disability are based. It shall be sufficient compliance with this subparagraph if plaintiff shall stipulate that the Administrative Law Judge fairly and accurately summarized the evidence contained in the record.

(c) A complete summary of all other evidence adduced at the administrative hearing

1 that supports plaintiff's claim with precise references to the applicable portions of the record. It shall be  
2 sufficient compliance with this subparagraph if plaintiff shall stipulate that the Administrative Law  
3 Judge fairly and accurately summarized the evidence adduced at the administrative hearing.

4 (d) A complete but concise statement as to why the record does not contain substantial  
5 evidence to support the defendant's claim.

6 6. If defendant has not filed a notice of voluntary remand and the issues in question relate  
7 to the administrative record, the defendant, within thirty (30) days after being served with plaintiff's  
8 motion for reversal and/or remand, shall file a cross-motion to affirm which will be considered an  
9 opposition to plaintiff's motion. This motion shall include:

10 (a) A complete summary of all evidence in the record that the defendant contends  
11 constitutes substantial evidence to support the administrative determination that plaintiff is not entitled  
12 to the benefits in question. It shall be sufficient compliance with this subparagraph if the defendant  
13 shall stipulate that the Administrative Law Judge fairly and accurately summarized the evidence  
14 contained in the record.

15 (b) A complete summary of all testimony adduced at the administrative hearing,  
16 including the Administrative Law Judge's findings, if any, concerning the credibility of witnesses,  
17 which the defendant contends constitutes substantial evidence to support the administrative  
18 determination that plaintiff is not entitled to the benefits in question. It shall be sufficient compliance  
19 with this subparagraph if the defendant shall stipulate that the Administrative Law Judge fairly and  
20 accurately summarized the testimony adduced at the administrative hearing.

21 (c) A statement as to whether there are any inaccuracies in the summaries filed by  
22 plaintiff. If the defendant believes plaintiff's summaries are inaccurate, defendant shall set forth what  
23 additions or corrections are required (with appropriate references to the record) in order to make the  
24 summaries accurate.

25 7. The motions filed by plaintiff and defendant pursuant to paragraphs 5 and 6 of this  
26 Order, respectively, shall also contain appropriate points and authorities dealing with the specific legal  
27 issues involved in this case, rather than principles of law applicable to Social Security cases in general.

28 8. Plaintiff shall be deemed to have acceded to the accuracy of the summaries supplied by

1 the defendant in response to subparagraphs 6(a) and 6(b) of this Order unless within twenty (20) days  
2 after being served with defendant's motion to affirm plaintiff shall file and serve a reply brief setting  
3 forth:

4 (a) In what manner the summaries are inaccurate;

5 (b) What additions or corrections are required (with appropriate references to the  
6 record) in order to make the summaries accurate.

7 9. The motions filed by both plaintiff and defendant shall also contain the following:

8 (a) A statement as to whether the transcript of the administrative hearing can be  
9 adequately comprehended in spite of the fact that such transcript may contain the words "inaudible" or  
10 "unintelligible" in one or more places, and specifying each page, if any, in which testimony relating to  
11 the particular issues of this case cannot be adequately comprehended.

12 (b) A specification of each page in the administrative record that is partially or totally  
13 illegible, and a statement whether each such illegible page contains information relevant to an  
14 understanding of any issue presented in this case.

15 10. Oral argument shall be deemed waived and the case shall stand submitted unless  
16 argument is ordered by the Court or requested pursuant to Local Rule 78-2, by one of the parties within  
17 ten (10) days following the filing of the last document required by this Court. It shall be at the Court's  
18 discretion whether oral argument is granted.

19 11. Failure of a party to file a motion or points and authorities required by this Order may  
20 result in dismissal of the action or reversal of the decision of the Secretary of Health and Human  
21 Services.

22 DATED this 31st day of October, 2013.

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24 GEORGE FOLEY, JR.  
25 United States Magistrate Judge  
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