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1	Equal Access to Justice Act (EAJA), 28 U.S.C. § 2412(d), in the amount of FIVE THOUSAND
2	DOLLARS (\$5,000.00). This amount represents compensation for all legal services rendered or
3	behalf of Plaintiff by counsel in connection with this civil action, in accordance with 28 U.S.C.
4	§§ 2412(d), 1920.
5	After the Court issues an order for EAJA fees and expenses to Plaintiff, the government
6	will consider the matter of Plaintiff's assignment of EAJA fees and expenses to Plaintiff's
7	attorney. Pursuant to Astrue v. Ratliff, 560 U.S. 586, 598 (2010), the ability to honor the
8	assignment will depend on whether the fees and expenses are subject to any offset allowed under
9	the United States Department of the Treasury's Offset Program. After the order for EAJA fees
10	and expenses is entered, the government will determine whether they are subject to any offset.
11	Fees and expenses shall be made payable to Plaintiff, but if the Department of the
12	Treasury determines that Plaintiff does not owe a federal debt, then the government shall cause
13	the payment of fees and expenses to be made directly to Melissa Palmer, Esq. pursuant to the
14	assignment executed by Plaintiff. Any payments made shall be delivered to Plaintiff's counsel.
15	This stipulation constitutes a compromise settlement of Plaintiff's request for EAJA
16	attorney fees and expenses, and does not constitute an admission of liability on the part of
17	Defendant under the EAJA. Payment of the agreed amount shall constitute a complete release
18	from, and bar to, any and all claims that Plaintiff and/or Plaintiff's counsel may have relating to
19	EAJA attorney fees and expenses in connection with this action.
20	This award is without prejudice to the rights of Plaintiff's counsel to seek Social Security
21	Act attorney fees under 42 U.S.C. § 406, subject to the provisions of the EAJA.
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23	Dated: June 12, 2020
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25	Respectfully submitted,
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11	Chief, Civil Division
12	By: /s/ Stacy Wiesbrock *
13	STACY WIESBROCK Special Assistant United States Attorney
14	* By email authorization Attorneys for Defendant
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16	IT IS SO ORDERED
17	DATED: 10:04 am, June 16, 2020
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20	BRENDA WEKSLER UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE
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