

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW MEXICO**

**BRIAN MEIKLE,**

**Plaintiff,**

v.

**No. 17-cv-0092 JCH/SMV**

**NANCY A. BERRYHILL,<sup>1</sup>  
Acting Commissioner of the Social Security,**

**Defendant.**

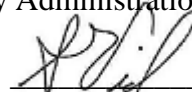
**ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS AND  
DIRECTING SERVICE OF PROCESS**

THIS MATTER is before the Court on Plaintiff's Motion to Proceed in Forma Pauperis with Financial Affidavit Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915 [Doc. 7] ("Motion"), filed on February 20, 2017. The Court, being fully advised in the premises FINDS that the Motion is well-taken and should be GRANTED.

**IT THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED** that Plaintiff's Motion to Proceed in Forma Pauperis [Doc. 7] is **GRANTED**. Plaintiff may proceed in this action without payment of a filing fee, costs, or security therefor.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the United States Marshal Service is directed to serve the summons and complaint on the United States Attorney, the Attorney General, and the Office of the General Counsel of the Social Security Administration.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**



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**STEPHAN M. VIDMAR  
United States Magistrate Judge**

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<sup>1</sup> Nancy A. Berryhill is now the Acting Commissioner of Social Security. Pursuant to Rule 25(d) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Nancy A. Berryhill should be substituted for Acting Commissioner Carolyn W. Colvin as the defendant in this suit. No further action needs to be taken to continue this suit by reason of the last sentence of section 205(g) of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. § 405(g).