IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA SOUTHERN DIVISION No. 7:13-CV-55-BO

JOHN BLACK,)		
Plaintiff,)		
v.)	ORDER	
CAROLYN W. COLVIN, Acting Commissioner of Social Security,)))		
Defendant.)		

Plaintiff's counsel filed a motion for approval of attorney's fees under section 206(b) of the Social Security Act (Act) in the amount of \$18,973.00. Attorney's fees under section 206(b) of the Act are paid from past-due benefits awarded to a successful claimant. 42 U.S.C. § 406(b). The fee request is in addition to the \$5,000.00 in fees awarded by this Court under the Equal Access to Justice Act (EAJA) (D.E. #34).

Defendant filed a response to the motion noting that, under <u>Gisbrecht v. Barnhart</u>, 535 U.S. 789 (2002), it is the duty of the Court to determine a reasonable fee.

So ordered, this 31 day of Ollow, 2014.

TERRENCE W. BOYLE

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE