

in district court when analyzing whether a contingency fee arrangement is reasonable.” (Document No. 22, p.2) (citing Mudd, 418 F.3d at 428).

Plaintiff’s counsel now seeks an award of \$3,000.00 in attorney’s fees. (Document No. 22, p.1-2). Plaintiff reports that Defendant “does not object to this request for fees.” (Document No. 22, p.2). However, the undersigned is concerned that the instant motion appears to be lacking: a copy of the contingency fee agreement; an affidavit supporting counsel’s time spent on this case; or any statement about the complexity of the case or the lawyering skills necessary to handle it. In addition, it might be helpful if Plaintiff’s counsel could more clearly describe the benefit(s) awarded to Plaintiff, as well as the auxiliary benefits awarded to her children, and whether counsel contends she is entitled to some percentage of all these benefits as part of a reasonable fee.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that “Plaintiff’s Motion for Attorney Fees Under § 406(b) of the Social Security Act” (Document No. 22) is **DENIED WITHOUT PREJUDICE**. Plaintiff’s counsel may re-file a motion for fees with additional support and documentation as discussed herein.

SO ORDERED.

Signed: May 11, 2016



David C. Keesler
United States Magistrate Judge

