## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA STATESVILLE DIVISION CIVIL ACTION FILE NO. 5:14-cv-00002-RJC-DSC

BONNIE K. TAYLOR,	)	
Plaintiff,	)	
	)	
vs.	)	ORDER
	)	
CAROLYN W. COLVIN,	)	
Acting Commissioner,	)	
Social Security Administration,	)	
Defendant.	)	

**THIS MATTER** having come before the Court on "Plaintiff's Motion for Attorney's Fees" under 28 U.S.C.A. § 2412, the Equal Access to Justice Act, by consent of the parties, the Court <u>orders</u> as follows:

1. That the Social Security Administration shall pay \$5,237.93 in attorney's fees to Plaintiff Bonnie K. Taylor in full settlement and satisfaction of any and all claims for attorney's fees for legal services rendered under the Equal Access to Justice Act ("EAJA"), 28 U.S.C. § 2412(d).

2. With respect to Plaintiff's signed assignment of EAJA fees to his attorney, in accordance with <u>Astrue v. Ratliff</u>, 560 U.S. 586, 130 S.Ct. 2521, 177 L.Ed.2d 91 (2010), the Commissioner will determine whether Plaintiff owes a debt to the United States. If so, the debt will be satisfied first and, if any funds remain, they will be made payable to Plaintiff and mailed to Plaintiff's counsel. If the Department of the Treasury reports to the Commissioner that the Plaintiff does not owe a federal debt, the Government will exercise its discretion and honor the assignment of EAJA fees, and pay the awarded fees directly to Plaintiff's counsel.

## SO ORDERED.

Signed: October 9, 2014

David S. Cayer United States Magistrate Judge