UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO

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LAVELLE WOODALL,

CASE NO. 1:17-cv-1289

Plaintiff,

VS.

OPINION & ORDER

[Resolving Doc. 1]

COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SECURITY,

Defendant.

Detendant

## JAMES S. GWIN, UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE:

On June 20, 2017, Plaintiff Lavelle Woodall filed a complaint seeking judicial review of Defendant Commissioner of Social Security's decision to deny his application for a period of disability, disability insurance benefits, and supplemental security income. The Court referred the matter to Magistrate Judge David A. Ruiz.

On June 11, 2018, Magistrate Judge Ruiz issued a Report and Recommendation ("R&R") recommending that this Court affirm the Commissioner's final decision.<sup>2</sup> Objections to that R&R were due by June 25, 2018. Plaintiff Woodall filed no objections.

The Federal Magistrates Act requires a district court to conduct a de novo review only of those portions of an R&R to which the parties have made an objection.<sup>3</sup> Failure to timely object waives a party's right to appeal the Magistrate Judge's R&R. <sup>4</sup> So, where a party does not object to the R&R, a district court may adopt it without review.<sup>5</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Doc. <u>1</u>; Doc. <u>14</u> at 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Id.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(C).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Thomas v. Arn, 474 U.S. 140, 145 (1985); United States v. Walters, 638 F.2d 947, 949-50 (6th Cir. 1981).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> See Thomas, 474 U.S. at 149–50.

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Accordingly, in light of Plaintiff Woodall's decision not to object to the R&R in this case, the Court **ADOPTS** Magistrate Judge Ruiz's R&R, incorporates it as if fully restated herein, and

**AFFIRMS** the Commissioner's denial of benefits.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: June 26, 2018

James S. Gwin

JAMES S. GWIN

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE