UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO WESTERN DIVISION

COURTNEY MALONE, : Case No. 1:16-cv-1004

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Plaintiff, : Judge Timothy S. Black

Magistrate Judge Stephanie K. Bowman

VS.

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COMMISSIONER OF SOCIALSECURITY,

:

Defendant. :

DECISION AND ENTRY ADOPTING THE REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION OF THE UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE (Doc. 20)

This case is before the Court pursuant to the Order of General Reference to United States Magistrate Judge Stephanie K. Bowman. Pursuant to such reference, the Magistrate Judge reviewed the pleadings filed with this Court and, on May 3, 2018, submitted a Report and Recommendation. (Doc. 20). As the Magistrate Judge recommends that this Court grant the parties' jointly-filed motion, no objections were filed.

As required by 28 U.S.C. § 636(b) and Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(b), the Court has reviewed the comprehensive findings of the Magistrate Judge and considered *de novo* all of the filings in this matter. Upon consideration of the foregoing, the Court does determine that such Report and Recommendation should be and is hereby adopted in its entirety. Accordingly, **IT IS ORDERED** as follows:

1) The parties' joint stipulation for an award of attorney's fees under the Equal Access to Justice Act (Doc. 19) is **GRANTED**;

2) Plaintiff is awarded EAJA fees of \$2,850.00 and costs of \$400.00 for a total award of \$3,250.00.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Date: May 7, 2018 <u>s/ Timothy S. Black</u>

Timothy S. Black

United States District Judge