

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO
EASTERN DIVISION**

Teresa A.,	:	
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Plaintiff,	:	Case No. 2:23-cv-00036
	:	
v.	:	Judge Graham
	:	
Commissioner of Social Security,	:	Magistrate Judge Deavers
	:	
Defendant.	:	

ORDER

This cause coming before the Court on the joint motion of the parties, due notice having been given, and the Court being fully advised,

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. The Parties’ Joint Stipulation for an Award of Attorney’s Fees under the Equal Access to Justice Act is accepted and Plaintiff is awarded attorney fees in the amount of \$6,500.00 and costs in the amount of \$00.00, for a total award of \$6,500.00;

2. Counsel for the parties shall verify whether or not Plaintiff owes any preexisting debt subject to offset, consistent with *Astrue v. Ratliff*, 130 S.Ct. 2521, 560 U.S. 586 (2010) and 31 U.S.C. §§ 3701(b), 3711, 3716. If no such pre-existing debt exists, Defendant shall pay the EAJA fees award directly to Plaintiff’s counsel pursuant to the EAJA assignment signed by Plaintiff; and

3. The case remains terminated on the docket of this Court.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

s/ James L. Graham
JAMES L. GRAHAM
 United States District Judge

DATE: March 10, 2025