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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF OREGON

TRAVIS K.

1:23-CV-00932-YY

Plaintiff,

v.

ORDER FOR EQUAL ACCESS TO JUSTICE FEES

MARTIN 0'MALLEY, Commissioner of Social Security,

Defendant.

Based upon the stipulation of the parties, Plaintiff is here by awarded \$10,015.98 in fees under the EAJA. Under Astrue v. Ratliff, 130 S. Ct. 2521, 2528-29 (2010), EAJA fees awarded by this Court belong to the Plaintiff and are subject to offset under the Treasury Offset Program (31 U.S.C. § 3716(c)(3)(B) (2006)). Any EAJA fees should therefore be awarded to Plaintiff and not to Plaintiff's attorney. If, after receiving the Court's EAJA fee order, the Commissioner (1) determines that Plaintiff has assigned his right to EAJA fees to his attorney; (2) determines that Plaintiff does not owe a debt that is subject to offset under the Treasury Offset Program, and (3) agrees to waive the requirements of the Anti-Assignment Act, then the EAJA fees will be made payable to Plaintiff's attorney.

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However, if there is a debt owed under the Treasury Offset Program, the Commissioner cannot agree to waive the requirements of the Anti-Assignment Act, and the remaining EAJA fees after offset will be paid by a check made out to Plaintiff but delivered to Plaintiff's attorney at the following address: Alan Stuart Graf, Attorney, 825 Merrimon Ave, Ste C, PMB # 354, Asheville, NC 28804 or by Electronic Deposit in the account of Alan Stuart Graf, Attorney.

It is so ORDERED

Dated this 25th day of September, 2024

Prepared as to form

Youlee Yim You

United States Magistrate Judge

/s/ Alan Graf
Attorney for Plaintiff