

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF OREGON

FORRESTT DANE BRAUN,

Plaintiff,

vs.

COMMISSIONER,
Social Security Administration,

Defendant.

Case No. 6:17-cv-01655-YY

ORDER GRANTING PLAINTIFF'S
MOTION FOR APPROVAL OF
ATTORNEY FEES PURSUANT TO 42
U.S.C. § 406(b)

Plaintiff Forrestt D. Braun brought this action seeking review of the Commissioner's final decision denying his application for disability benefits under the Social Security Act. The Court reversed the Commissioner's decision, remanded the case for further proceedings, and entered Judgment on March 20, 2019.

Plaintiff now seeks an award of fees pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 406(b). I have reviewed the record in this case, the motion, and the supporting materials, including the award of benefits, the fee agreement with counsel, and the recitation of counsel's hours and services. Applying the standards set by *Gisbrecht v. Barnhart*, 535 U.S. 789, 796 (2002), the Court finds that the requested fees are reasonable.

Plaintiff's Motion for Attorney Fees Pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 406(b) is hereby GRANTED, and Plaintiff's counsel is awarded \$15,848.38 in attorney's fees under 42 U.S.C. § 406(b). Previously, the Court awarded Plaintiff attorney fees in the amount of \$7,770.09 under the Equal Access to Justice Act ("EAJA"), 28 U.S.C. § 2412. In addition, Plaintiff's counsel has received an administrative fee in the amount of \$5,903.00. When issuing the § 406(b) check for payment to Plaintiff's attorney, the Commissioner is directed to subtract the amounts awarded for EAJA and administrative fees and send the balance of \$2,175.29, less any applicable processing or user fees prescribed by statute, to Plaintiff's attorneys at HARDER, WELLS, BARON & MANNING, P.C., 474 Willamette Street, Eugene, Oregon 97401. Any amount withheld after all administrative and court attorney fees are paid should be released to the claimant.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 6th day of March 2020.

/s/ Youlee Yim You
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United States Magistrate Judge

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