IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Dwayne Jackson,)
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	Plaintiff,)
)
V.)
)
Michael J. Astrue,)
Commissioner of Social Security,)
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	Defendant.)
)

C/A No. 0:12-2572-RBH-PJG ORDER

This social security action is before this court pursuant to 42 U.S.C § 405(g) for review of a final decision of the Commissioner of the Social Security Administration ("Commissioner"). The plaintiff, Dwayne Jackson, ("Plaintiff") initiated this action and filed his Complaint on September 6, 2012. (ECF No. 1.)

The Federal Rules of Civil Procedure state that a plaintiff must serve a defendant within 120 days after the complaint is filed and, unless service is waived, must provide proof of service to the court. Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(l)(1) and 4(m). As of the date of this order, more than 120 days has passed since the Plaintiff initiated this action by filing his Complaint and the Plaintiff has not filed proof of service with the court nor provided completed USM-285 forms so that service can be effected by the U.S. Marshal's Service pursuant to Rule 4(c)(3) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. It is therefore

ORDERED that the Plaintiff shall have until <u>February 4, 2013</u> to provide the court with proof of service of the Complaint upon the defendant in accordance with Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 4(l)(1), or to show good cause for failure to serve pursuant to Rule 4(m), or to provide

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USM-285 for service by the U.S. Marshal. Failure to do so will result in a recommendation that

this case be dismissed for failure to serve. Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m).

IT IS SO ORDERED.

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Paige J. Gossett UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

January 28, 2013 Columbia, South Carolina