



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

MICHAEL LEE MALONE,  
Plaintiff,

vs.

CAROLYN W. COLVIN,  
Acting Commissioner of Social Security,  
Defendant.

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CIVIL ACTION NO. 1:15-cv-4878-MGL

**ORDER**

This matter is before the Court on Plaintiff's Motion for Attorney's Fees under the Equal Access to Justice Act (EAJA) filed on November 29, 2016. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 2412. Plaintiff requests an award of \$3,739.31 in attorney's fees. Defendant does not object to Plaintiff's request.

In accordance with *Astrue v. Ratliff*, 560 U.S. 586, 595-98 (2010), EAJA fees awarded by this Court belong to the litigant, thus subjecting EAJA fees to offset under the Treasury Offset Program (31 U.S.C. § 3716(c)(3)(B) (2006)), and, therefore, this Court directs fees be payable to Plaintiff and delivered to Plaintiff's counsel. Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED that Plaintiff's motion under the EAJA is granted in the amount of \$3,739.31 in attorney's fees.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

s/ Mary Geiger Lewis  
MARY GEIGER LEWIS  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Dated: January 4, 2017  
Columbia, South Carolina