

Therefore, it is

ORDERED that Plaintiff's motion for attorney's fees (doc. #34) as outlined above is granted, and Plaintiff is awarded attorney fees pursuant to EAJA in the amount of \$2,674.94.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

September 26, 2012
Florence, South Carolina

s/Thomas E. Rogers, III
Thomas E. Rogers, III
United States Magistrate Judge

thus subject to offset where a litigant has outstanding federal debts.”); Stephens v. Astrue, 565 F.3d 131, 139 (4th Cir.2009) (same). In addition, this court has held that EAJA fees are payable to the plaintiff even where she has attached an affidavit assigning her rights in the fee award to counsel. See Washington v. Astrue, No. 08-2631, 2010 WL 3023048, at *5 (D.S.C. July 29, 2010). Therefore, the court grants attorney's fees to plaintiff, not her attorney, . . .

Payton v. Astrue, 2012 WL 1859193, * 3, n. 3. Thus, any requests by Plaintiff that the court order the EAJA fees be paid directly to her attorney would be improper.