

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

Andre Dawkins, )  
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 Plaintiff, )  
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 v. )  
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 Nancy A. Berryhill, )  
 Acting Commissioner of Social Security, )  
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 Defendant. )  
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C/A No.: 5:14-cv-00792-TLW

**ORDER**

This matter comes before the Court on Plaintiff Andre Dawkins’ motion for attorney’s fees pursuant to the Equal Access to Justice Act (“EAJA”), 28 U.S.C. § 2412(d). ECF No. 30. Plaintiff’s motion seeks reimbursement for counsel’s representation in the above-captioned matter in the amount of \$3,054.92. The Commissioner filed a response indicating that it did not oppose the fee award. ECF No. 31.

Having reviewed the file and being fully advised, the Court hereby **ORDERS** that the motion for the award of attorney’s fees pursuant to the EAJA, ECF No. 30, is **APPROVED**, and the Commissioner is ordered to award Plaintiff \$3,054.92 in attorney’s fees, less the amount of any federal debts owed by Plaintiff. Although the EAJA fee award should be paid to Plaintiff rather than to his attorney pursuant to *Astrue v. Ratliff*, 560 U.S. 586, 595–98 (2010), the check itself should be mailed directly to Plaintiff’s attorney.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

August 2, 2017  
Columbia, South Carolina

s/Terry L. Wooten  
Terry L. Wooten  
Chief United States District Judge