Lewis, Jr. v. Colvin

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 8 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON 9 DAVID E. LEWIS, JR., 10 CASE NO. 2:15-cv-01202 JRC Plaintiff, 11 ORDER ON STIPULATED MOTION v. FOR EQUAL ACCESS TO JUSTICE 12 **ACT FEES** CAROLYN W. COLVIN, Acting Commissioner of the Social Security 13 Administration, 14 Defendant. 15 16 This Court has jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(c), Fed. R. Civ. P. 73 and Local 17 Magistrate Judge Rule MJR 13 (see also Notice of Initial Assignment to a U.S. Magistrate Judge 18 and Consent Form, Dkt. 5; Consent to Proceed Before a United States Magistrate Judge, Dkt. 6). 19 This matter is before the Court on plaintiff's Stipulated Motion for Equal Access to Justice Act 20 Fees (see Dkt. 15). 21 Based on the Equal Access to Justice Act, 28 U.S.C. § 2412, ("EAJA"), the Stipulation of 22 the parties (see Dkt. 15), the attorney declaration and time itemizations (Dkt. 15, Attachments 2, 23 3), and the relevant record, it is hereby ORDERED that EAJA attorney's fees of \$3,967.34 shall 24

1	be awarded to plaintiff pursuant to the EAJA and consistent with Astrue v. Ratliff, 130 S.Ct.
2	2521, 2524, 2010 U.S. LEXIS 4763 at ***6-***7 (2010).
3	The Acting Commissioner shall contact the Department of Treasury after the Order for
4	EAJA fees is entered to determine if the EAJA fees are subject to any offset. If it is determined
5	that plaintiff's EAJA fees are not subject to any offset allowed pursuant to the Department of the
6	Treasury's Offset Program, then the check for EAJA fees shall be made payable to David Oliver,
7	Esq., based on plaintiff's assignment of these amounts to plaintiff's attorney (see Plaintiff's
8	Declaration Regarding Net Worth and Payment of EAJA Fees, Dkt. 15, Attachment 4). If there
9	is an offset, the remainder shall be made payable to plaintiff, based on the practice of the
10	Department of the Treasury (see, e.g., Case No. 2:15-cv-122, Dkt. 22, p. 4). Any check for EAJA
11	fees shall be mailed to plaintiff's counsel, David Oliver, Esq., at David Oliver & Associates,
12	2608 South 47 th Street, Suite C, Tacoma, WA 98409.
13	Dated this 8th day of March, 2016.
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15	J. Richard Creatura
16	United States Magistrate Judge
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