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## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA

## **CHARLESTON DIVISION**

TERRY GORDON HOFFMAN,

Plaintiff,

CIVIL ACTION NO. 2:20-cv-00696

KILOLO KIJAKAZI,

v.

Acting Commissioner of Social Security,

Defendant.

## MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER

By Standing Order (Document 3) entered on October 26, 2020, this action was referred to the Honorable Cheryl A. Eifert, United States Magistrate Judge, for submission to this Court of proposed findings of fact and recommendation for disposition, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(B). On October 15, 2021, the Magistrate Judge submitted a Proposed Findings and Recommendation (Document 21) wherein it is recommended that this Court deny the Plaintiff's request for judgment on the pleadings, affirm the final decision of the Commissioner, and dismiss this action from the Court's docket. Objections to the Magistrate Judge's Proposed Findings and Recommendation were due by October 29, 2021.

Neither party has timely filed objections to the Magistrate Judge's *Proposed Findings and Recommendation*. The Court is not required to review, under a *de novo* or any other standard, the

factual or legal conclusions of the magistrate judge as to those portions of the findings or

recommendation to which no objections are addressed. See Thomas v. Arn, 474 U.S. 140, 149-

50 (1985); see also Camby v. Davis, 718 F.2d 198, 199 (4th Cir. 1983) (holding that districts courts

may adopt proposed findings and recommendations without explanation in the absence of

objections).

Accordingly, the Court ADOPTS and incorporates herein the findings and

recommendation of the Magistrate Judge as contained in the Proposed Findings and

Recommendation, and ORDERS that the Plaintiff's request for judgment on the pleadings

(Document 19) be **DENIED** and that the Defendant's request for judgment on the pleadings

(Document 20) be GRANTED. The Court further ORDERS that the final decision of the

Commissioner be **AFFIRMED** and that this action be **DISMISSED** from the Court's docket.

The Court **DIRECTS** the Clerk to send a certified copy of this *Memorandum Opinion and* 

Order to Magistrate Judge Eifert, counsel of record, and any unrepresented party.

ENTER:

November 2, 2021

IRENE C. BERGER

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA

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