

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF
LOUISIANA

Chanelle T. Lewis v. Frank Bisignano, Commissioner of Social
Security

Lewis · No. 2:25-CV-02095-JCZ-JVM · Decided May 11, 2026

SUMMARY

The United States District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana grants an unopposed motion to remand a Social Security case under sentence four of 42 U.S.C. § 405(g). The court reverses the Commissioner’s decision and remands for further administrative proceedings, including an opportunity for a hearing and issuance of a new decision.

CASE DETAILS

COURT	United States District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana
WRITING FOR THE COURT	Jay C. Zainey
JURISDICTION	United States District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana
DECIDED	May 11, 2026
DOCKET	2:25-CV-02095-JCZ-JVM
DISPOSITION	reversed_and_remanded
PROCEDURAL POSTURE	Plaintiff sought judicial review of the Commissioner's Social Security decision. The Commissioner filed an unopposed motion to remand under sentence four of 42 U.S.C. § 405(g).
PRECEDENTIAL VALUE	Unpublished district court judgment; precedential status not specified in the source.
PARTIES	Chanelle T. Lewis v. Frank Bisignano, Commissioner of Social Security

TOPICS

- judicial review of agency action
- administrative law
- remedies
- civil procedure

PRACTICE AREAS

- Social Security
- Administrative Law
- Federal Civil Procedure

QUESTIONS PRESENTED

1. Whether the court should grant the Commissioner's unopposed motion to remand under sentence four of 42 U.S.C. § 405(g).
2. Whether the case should be remanded for further administrative proceedings, including a hearing, completion of the administrative record, and a new decision.

HOLDINGS

1. Under sentence four of 42 U.S.C. § 405(g), the court had authority to reverse the Commissioner's decision and remand the case for further administrative proceedings.
2. The Commissioner's unopposed motion to remand was granted, the Commissioner's decision was reversed, and the matter was remanded for further administrative proceedings.

KEY QUOTATIONS

“Upon remand, an Administrative Law Judge will offer the claimant the opportunity for a hearing, take further action to complete the administrative record, and issue a new decision.”

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

The opinion concerns judicial review of a decision by the Commissioner of Social Security. The Commissioner sought an unopposed remand, and the court determined that reversal and remand for further administrative proceedings was appropriate.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

The case was brought in the Eastern District of Louisiana to review a decision of the Commissioner of Social Security. On the Commissioner's unopposed motion, the court reversed the Commissioner's decision and remanded for further administrative proceedings, including a hearing, completion of the administrative record, and a new decision.

DISPOSITION

reversed_and_remanded

REMAND INSTRUCTIONS

On remand, an Administrative Law Judge must offer the claimant an opportunity for a hearing, take further action to complete the administrative record, and issue a new decision.

CASES CITED

- *Melkonyan v. Sullivan*, 501 U.S. 89 (1991)