

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF
CALIFORNIA

Brad Christopher Oliver v. Commissioner of Social Security

Oliver · No. 2:25-cv-01866-AC · Decided December 23, 2025

SUMMARY

This document is a stipulation and proposed order in a Social Security action in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of California. The parties agreed to an award of \$10,000 in attorney fees and expenses under the Equal Access to Justice Act, with no costs under 28 U.S.C. § 1920. The proposed order approving the award was entered or dated December 23, 2025.

CASE DETAILS

COURT	United States District Court for the Eastern District of California
WRITING FOR THE COURT	Allison Claire
DECIDED	December 23, 2025
DOCKET	2:25-cv-01866-AC
DISPOSITION	other
PROCEDURAL POSTURE	The parties stipulated to an award of attorney fees and expenses under the Equal Access to Justice Act in connection with the civil action.
PRECEDENTIAL VALUE	nonprecedential

TOPICS

attorney fees costs administrative law remedies

PRACTICE AREAS

Social Security administrative law attorney fees

QUESTIONS PRESENTED

- Whether the court should approve the parties' stipulated award of \$10,000.00 in attorney fees and expenses under the Equal Access to Justice Act.
- Whether costs should be awarded under 28 U.S.C. § 1920.

KEY QUOTATIONS

“IT IS ORDERED that fees and expenses in the amount of \$10,000.00 as authorized by 28 U.S.C. § 2412, and no costs under 28 U.S.C. § 1920, be awarded subject to the terms of the Stipulation.” (-3-)

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

The parties agreed that the plaintiff should receive \$10,000.00 in attorney fees and expenses under the Equal Access to Justice Act. The stipulation provided that payment would be made to the plaintiff, subject to possible Treasury offset, and could be paid directly to plaintiff's counsel if no federal debt was identified. The award was expressly made without prejudice to counsel's potential claim for Social Security Act fees under 42 U.S.C. § 406(b).

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

The plaintiff and the Commissioner stipulated to an EAJA award of \$10,000.00 and no costs under 28 U.S.C. § 1920. The court approved the stipulation and ordered the award subject to its terms.

DISPOSITION

other

CASES CITED

- Astrue v. Ratliff, 560 U.S. 586, 598, 130 S. Ct. 2521, 177 L. Ed. 2d 91 (2010)