

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF OREGON

Joshua Frantz v. Commissioner, Social Security Administration

Frantz · No. 6:24-cv-01767-YY · Decided March 17, 2026

SUMMARY

The United States District Court for the District of Oregon ordered an award of \$7,722.67 in attorney fees to the plaintiff under the Equal Access to Justice Act. The order specifies that payment is subject to any federal treasury offset for debts owed by the plaintiff and states that no costs or expenses are awarded.

CASE DETAILS

COURT	United States District Court for the District of Oregon
WRITING FOR THE COURT	Youlee Yim You
DECIDED	March 17, 2026
DOCKET	6:24-cv-01767-YY
DISPOSITION	other
PROCEDURAL POSTURE	Order awarding attorney fees under the Equal Access to Justice Act based on the parties' stipulation.
PRECEDENTIAL VALUE	Unpublished district court order; nonprecedential.
PARTIES	Joshua Frantz v. Commissioner, Social Security Administration

TOPICS

- attorney fees
- administrative law
- civil procedure

PRACTICE AREAS

- Social Security
- administrative law
- attorney fees

QUESTIONS PRESENTED

- Whether attorney fees should be awarded to the plaintiff under the Equal Access to Justice Act pursuant to the parties' stipulation.
- How the fee award should be paid if the plaintiff owes a debt subject to the federal treasury offset program.

HOLDINGS

1. Based on the parties' stipulation, the plaintiff is entitled to an attorney-fee award of \$7,722.67 under the Equal Access to Justice Act, 28 U.S.C. § 2412.
2. If the Commissioner confirms that the plaintiff owes no debt to the federal government through the treasury offset program, payment shall be made by check to plaintiff's counsel; if the plaintiff owes such a debt, any remaining funds after offset shall be made payable to the plaintiff and mailed to counsel's address.

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

The opinion concerns a stipulated request for attorney fees incurred in the plaintiff's Social Security matter. The court awarded \$7,722.67 under the Equal Access to Justice Act. The order also addressed potential offset of the award against any federal debt owed by the plaintiff and stated that no costs or expenses would be paid.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

The parties submitted a stipulation concerning an award of attorney fees. The district court ordered an award of \$7,722.67 to the plaintiff under the Equal Access to Justice Act and specified the payment procedure depending on whether the plaintiff owed a debt subject to federal treasury offset.

DISPOSITION

other

CASES CITED

- Astrue v. Ratliff, 560 U.S. 586, 130 S. Ct. 2521, 2527 (2010)