

# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA

## Kimberly Y. v. Frank Bisignano, Commissioner of Social Security

Kimberly Y. · No. 25-cv-1074 (ECT/SGE) · Decided February 17, 2026

### SUMMARY

The United States District Court for the District of Minnesota accepts a magistrate judge's Report and Recommendation after finding no clear error because no party objected. The court denies the plaintiff's request for relief, grants the Commissioner's request for relief, and affirms the denial of benefits.

### CASE DETAILS

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| COURT                 | United States District Court for the District of Minnesota                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| WRITING FOR THE COURT | Eric C. Tostrud                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| JURISDICTION          | United States District Court for the District of Minnesota                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| DECIDED               | February 17, 2026                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| DOCKET                | 25-cv-1074 (ECT/SGE)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| DISPOSITION           | affirmed                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| PROCEDURAL POSTURE    | The district court reviewed a magistrate judge's Report and Recommendation in a Social Security benefits action. No party objected, so the court reviewed the recommendation for clear error, accepted it, denied the plaintiff's request for relief, granted the Commissioner's request for relief, and affirmed the denial of benefits. |
| STANDARD OF REVIEW    | Clear-error review of the Report and Recommendation because no party filed objections.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| PRECEDENTIAL VALUE    | Unpublished district court order; precedential status not stated in the opinion.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| PARTIES               | Kimberly Y. v. Frank Bisignano, Commissioner of Social Security                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |

### TOPICS

judicial review of agency action administrative law civil procedure

### PRACTICE AREAS

Social Security administrative law civil procedure

## QUESTIONS PRESENTED

1. Whether the unobjected-to Report and Recommendation should be accepted after review for clear error.
2. Whether the denial of Social Security benefits should be affirmed.

## HOLDINGS

1. When no party objects to a magistrate judge's Report and Recommendation, the district court reviews the recommendation for clear error.
2. The Report and Recommendation was accepted, the plaintiff's request for relief was denied, the Commissioner's request for relief was granted, and the denial of benefits was affirmed.

## FACTUAL BACKGROUND

Kimberly Y. sought judicial relief concerning the denial of Social Security benefits. The Commissioner sought relief opposing the plaintiff's request. The district court's order does not recount the underlying medical, vocational, or administrative facts and instead resolves the matter by accepting the magistrate judge's unobjected-to Report and Recommendation.

## PROCEDURAL HISTORY

Magistrate Judge Shannon G. Elkins issued a Report and Recommendation on January 30, 2026. Because no party objected, the district court conducted clear-error review, found no clear error, accepted the recommendation, and entered judgment affirming the denial of benefits.

## DISPOSITION

affirmed

## CASES CITED

- *Grinder v. Gammon*, 73 F.3d 793, 795 (8th Cir. 1996) (per curiam)