

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF OREGON

Amanda L. v. Commissioner of Social Security Administration

Amanda L. · No. 6:25-cv-01617-AP · Decided June 4, 2026

SUMMARY

This order grants a stipulated motion for attorney fees under the Equal Access to Justice Act in a Social Security case in the United States District Court for the District of Oregon. It awards \$8,700.00, subject to verification and possible offset for qualifying federal debts, and addresses payment to the plaintiff or plaintiff’s counsel.

CASE DETAILS

COURT	United States District Court for the District of Oregon
WRITING FOR THE COURT	Amy E. Potter
DECIDED	June 4, 2026
DOCKET	6:25-cv-01617-AP
DISPOSITION	other
PROCEDURAL POSTURE	The court considered the parties' stipulated motion for attorney fees under the Equal Access to Justice Act.
PRECEDENTIAL VALUE	Unpublished district court order
PARTIES	Amanda L. v. Commissioner of Social Security Administration

TOPICS

- attorney fees
- administrative law
- civil procedure

PRACTICE AREAS

- Social Security
- attorney fees
- administrative law

QUESTIONS PRESENTED

- Whether the parties' stipulated motion for an EAJA attorney-fee award should be granted.
- Whether payment of the EAJA award should be subject to verification of federal debt and any applicable administrative offset.

HOLDINGS

1. The court granted the stipulated motion and ordered the Commissioner to pay \$8,700 in attorney fees as full settlement of all claims for fees under the EAJA.

KEY QUOTATIONS

“Commissioner shall pay Plaintiff’s attorney the sum of \$8,700.00 upon verification that Plaintiff has no debt to the government which qualifies for offset against the awarded fees” (Order at 1)

“for full settlement of all claims for fees under EAJA.” (Order at 1)

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

The parties stipulated to an award of attorney fees under the Equal Access to Justice Act. The requested settlement amount was \$8,700. The order addressed the possibility that the plaintiff might owe a federal debt subject to administrative offset and specified how payment should be made depending on that determination.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

After the underlying Social Security litigation, the parties submitted a stipulated motion seeking an EAJA attorney-fee award. The district court granted the motion and ordered payment of \$8,700, subject to verification of any qualifying federal debt and administrative offset.

DISPOSITION

other

CASES CITED

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

OPINION

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PER CURIAM.

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UNITED STATES COURT DISTRICT COURT

DISTRICT OF OREGON

AMANDA L.,

Civil No. 6:25-cv-01617-AP Plaintiff,

ORDER FOR ATTORNEY FEES

vs. PURSUANT TO EAJA

Commissioner of Social Security Administration, Defendant.

_____ After considering the Stipulated Motion of the parties submitted herein, Order hereby grants that Commissioner shall pay Plaintiff's attorney the sum of \$8,700.00 upon verification that Plaintiff has no debt to the government which qualifies for offset against the awarded fees, pursuant to the reasoning in *Astrue v. Ratliff*, 560 U.S. 586, 130 S. Ct. 2521, 2527 (2010) (EAJA awards fees subject "to a federal administrative offset if the Litigant has outstanding federal debts") for full settlement of all claims for fees under EAJA.

1 – ORDER FOR ATTORNEY FEES PURSUANT TO EAJA

If Plaintiff has no such federal debt, payment of \$8,700.00 shall be made either by Electronic Fund Transfer (ETF) to Plaintiff's attorneys, Drew L. Johnson, P.C. or by check mailed to their office at the address provided above. If Plaintiff has such debt, the check for any remaining funds after offset shall be made out to Plaintiff and mailed to counsel's office at the address provided above.

IT IS SO ORDERED this day of June __4__, 2026 __/s/_A_m_y_ E._
P_o_t_te_r_____ Amy E. Potter U.S. Magistrate Judge PRESENTED BY:

By: /s/ SHERWOOD J. REESE

Sherwood J. Reese, OSB #144130 Of Drew L. Johnson, P.C. Attorneys for Plaintiff

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