

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF
CALIFORNIA

**Veronica Yanez v. Frank Bisignano, Commissioner of the Social
Security Administration**

Yanez · No. 2:24-cv-002285-CSK · Decided September 8, 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 court approved an award of \$7,424.23 in attorney fees and expenses to Plaintiff Veronica Yanez under the Equal Access to Justice Act, 28 U.S.C. § 2412(d), subject to the terms of the parties' stipulation.

OPINION

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PER CURIAM.

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7 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

8 EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

9 VERONICA YANEZ, Case No.: 2:24-cv-002285-CSK 10 Plaintiff,

STIPULATION AND PROPOSED ORDER

11 v. FOR THE AWARD OF ATTORNEY FEES

PURSUANT TO THE EQUAL ACCESS TO

12 FRANK BISIGNANO, JUSTICE ACT, 28 U.S.C. § 2412

Commissioner of the Social Security 13 Administration, 14 Defendant. 15 16 IT IS HEREBY
STIPULATED by and between the parties through their undersigned 17 counsel, subject to the
approval of the Court, that Plaintiff be awarded attorney fees and expenses 18 in the above-
entitled action in the amount of \$7,424.23 under the Equal Access to Justice Act 19 (EAJA), 28
U.S.C. § 2412(d). This amount represents compensation for all legal services and 20 expenses
incurred on behalf of Plaintiff by counsel in connection with this civil action. 21 Upon the Court's
issuance of an order granting EAJA fees to Plaintiff, the government will 22 determine the issue of
Plaintiff's assignment of EAJA fees to Plaintiff's attorney. Pursuant to Astrue 23 v. Ratliff, 560
U.S. 586, 597-598 (2010), the ability to honor the assignment will depend on if the 24 fees are
subject to any offset allowed under the United States Department of the Treasury's Offset 25

Program. After the order for EAJA fees is entered, the government will promptly determine whether 26 they are subject to any offset. 27 Fees shall be made payable to Plaintiff, but if the Department of the Treasury determines 28 that Plaintiff does not owe a federal debt, then the government will cause the payment of fees to be 1 made directly to Plaintiff's attorney, LAW OFFICE OF JARED T. WALKER, P.C., pursuant to the 2 assignment executed by Plaintiff. Any payments made to Plaintiff will be delivered to JARED T. 3 WALKER. 4 This stipulation constitutes a settlement of Plaintiff's request for EAJA attorney fees and 5 does not constitute an admission of liability on the part of defendant under the EAJA or otherwise. 6 Payment of the agreed amount will constitute a complete release from, and bar to, any and all claims 7 that Plaintiff and/or Plaintiff's attorney, including LAW OFFICE OF JARED T. WALKER, P.C., 8 may have relating to EAJA attorney fees in connection with this action. 9 This award is without prejudice to the rights of Plaintiff's counsel to seek Social Security 10 attorney fees under 42 U.S.C. § 406(b), subject to the savings clause provisions of the EAJA. 11 Dated: September 4, 2025 Respectfully submitted, 12 /s/ Jared Walker

JARED WALKER,

13 Attorney for Plaintiff 14 SO STIPULATED:

15 ERIC GRANT

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1 ORDER

2 Based upon the parties' Stipulation for Award of Attorney Fees pursuant to the Equal Access 3 || to Justice Act (EAJA), 4 IT IS ORDERED that Plaintiff is awarded \$7,424.23 in fees and expenses under 28 U.S.C. 5 || § 2412(d), inclusive of all amounts claimed, subject to and in accordance with the terms of the 6 || parties' foregoing Stipulation. 7 8 || Dated: September 8, 2025 . Cn Sno |

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10 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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