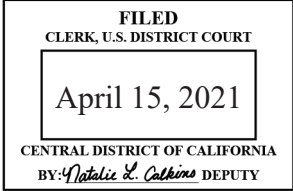


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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

IN RE:  
  
CORONAVIRUS PUBLIC  
EMERGENCY  
  
ORDER LIFTING THE STAY OF  
CIVIL MATTERS INVOLVING THE  
COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL  
SECURITY AS A PARTY UNDER  
42 U.S.C. § 405(g)

ORDER OF THE CHIEF JUDGE  
21-037  
(Supersedes Order of the  
Chief Judge 20-074)

WHEREAS on April 17, 2020, due to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the Social Security Administration’s ability to prepare certified administrative records (“CARs”), the following actions were stayed by Order of the Chief Judge 20-074:

(a) actions brought against the Commissioner of Social Security pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 405(g) that were filed on or after April 17, 2020; and (b) those previously-filed actions in which the Commissioner had not prepared and served the plaintiff with the CAR;

WHEREAS since issuing Order of the Chief Judge 20-074, the circumstances concerning the COVID-19 pandemic have improved and the Social Security Administration has resumed preparing CARs; and

1           WHEREAS although its operations have resumed, the Social Security  
2 Administration requires additional time to prepare CARs in certain cases given the  
3 backlog resulting from the prior limitations on its operations due to the COVID-19  
4 pandemic;

5           THEREFORE, for good cause shown, the Chief Judge orders as follows:

- 6           1.     The stay imposed in Order of the Chief Judge 20-074 is hereby lifted.
- 7           2.     For actions brought against the Commissioner pursuant to 42 U.S.C.  
8           § 405(g) that were filed in 2020, any outstanding CARs must be produced  
9           within 90 days of the date of this Order.
- 10          3.     For actions brought against the Commissioner pursuant to 42 U.S.C.  
11          § 405(g) that were filed in 2021 before the issuance of this Order, any  
12          outstanding CARs must be produced within 120 days of the date of this  
13          Order.
- 14          4.     The assigned Judge retains discretion to alter the time frames provided in  
15          this Order in individual actions.
- 16          5.     Actions brought against the Commissioner pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 405(g)  
17          that are filed after the date of this Order are subject to the procedures in  
18          the assigned Judge's case management order.

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20           IT IS SO ORDERED.

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22           Date: April 15, 2021

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26           CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE