
THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF UTAH

IN RE: ELECTRONIC SERVICE IN
CASES SEEKING REVIEW OF THE
SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION
DECISION

**GENERAL ORDER
22-008**

To facilitate timely and efficient service of process in civil actions filed against the Commissioner of the Social Security Administration (Commissioner) under § 205(g) of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. § 405(g), the United States District Court for the District of Utah (Court), the Commissioner, and the United States Attorney for the District of Utah (United States) agree to facilitate service of process using electronic notification. Specifically, the Commissioner and the United States agree to accept service of the summons and complaint for cases filed under 42 U.S.C. § 405(g) using the Court's Case Management/Electronic Case Files System (CM/ECF System). The Commissioner and United States further agree that serving the documents using CM/ECF constitutes service under Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(i).

Therefore, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED**, effective as of June 2, 2022:

1. The Clerk of Court will issue the summons prepared by the party, consistent with Fed. R. Civ. P 4(i), and then serve the summons and complaint on the Commissioner and the United States using CM/ECF in cases seeking review of the Commissioner's decision after the complaint is filed, irrespective of whether Plaintiff is proceeding with or without counsel.

2. The Court will consider service effectuated as of the date that the complaint is filed or the summons is issued in CM/ECF, whichever date is later (Date of Service).

3. Other CM/ECF actions or filings related to docketing the complaint or issuing the summons (e.g., filing a motion to proceed in forma pauperis), do not constitute service.

4. The Clerk's Office will send CM/ECF notifications, indicating that the complaint has been filed and summons has been issued, to the Commissioner at OGC.DEN.Service.UTAH@ssa.gov and the United States Attorney's Office at USAUT.SSAComplaints@usdoj.gov.

5. The parties must comply with DUCivR 7-4.

6. This Standing Order does not apply to (a) complaints that include claims against the Commissioner in addition to, or other than, those brought pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 405(g) or (b) complaints that include defendants other than the Commissioner.

7. This Standing Order will expire no later than December 1, 2022, unless extended by further Court order or amendment to Local Civil Rule 7-4.

SO ORDERED this 13th day of May, 2022.

BY THE COURT:



ROBERT J. SHELBY
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE