

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

**SUPPLEMENTAL STANDING PROCEDURAL ORDER FOR
CASES SEEKING SOCIAL SECURITY REVIEW**

This Order supplements the Standing Procedural Order for Cases Seeking Social Security Review dated November 19, 2018.

This Supplemental Standing Procedural Order is issued to effectuate the agreement among the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania; the Commissioner of the Social Security Administration (“Commissioner”); and the U.S. Attorney General and the U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania (collectively “United States”), pursuant to which the Commissioner and United States agreed, on a pilot basis for one year from June 8, 2020, to accept the summons and complaint as outlined in Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 4(i) in actions filed pursuant to § 205(g) of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. § 405(g), by electronic means via the Court’s Case Management/Electronic Case Files System (“CM/ECF”). The agreement is designed to facilitate timely and efficient service of process for civil actions filed pursuant to § 205(g) of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. § 405(g), against the Commissioner of the Social Security Administration.

To effectuate the agreement of the above-named parties, it is ORDERED effective immediately:

1. Except as noted in paragraph 2 below, the Court’s June 17, 2021 Supplemental Standing Order is extended, and will expire no later than **March 31, 2022**, unless further extended by Court order.
2. Effective January 1, 2022, the: (a) temporary 180 day period for the Commissioner to file and serve either a dispositive motion or Certified Administrative Record from the Date of Service and (b) provision relating to a “Critical Case” referenced in paragraph 1(c) of the Court’s June 17, 2021 Supplemental Standing Order is rescinded. Effective January 1, 2022, the Commissioner, within 60 days of the Date of Service, shall file and serve either a dispositive motion or the Certified Administrative Record, which shall be deemed an answer (general denial) to Plaintiff’s complaint as outlined in Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 8(b)(3).

Date: 10/19/2021

/s/ Juan R. Sánchez
Juan R. Sánchez
Chief Judge