## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA FORT MYERS DIVISION

LISA HEATHER MARTIN,

Plaintiff,

v. Case No: 2:17-cv-496-FtM-38CM

COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SECURITY and SSA,

Defendants.

## **OPINION AND ORDER**<sup>1</sup>

This matter comes before the Court on United States Magistrate Judge Carol Mlrando's Report and Recommendation filed on June 29, 2018. (Doc. 24). Judge Mirando recommends that the final decision of the Commissioner of Social Security be reversed and remanded under 42 U.S.C. § 405(g). The parties have not objected to the Report and Recommendation, and the time to do so has elapsed. This matter is ripe for review.

After conducting a careful and complete review of the findings and recommendations, a district judge may accept, reject, or modify the magistrate judge's report and recommendation. See 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1); see also Williams v. Wainwright, 681 F.2d 732 (11th Cir. 1982). Absent specific objections, there is no requirement that a

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district judge review factual findings *de novo*, *Garvey v. Vaughn*, 993 F.2d 776, 779 n.9 (11th Cir. 1993), and the court may accept, reject, or modify, in whole or in part, the findings and recommendations, 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(C). The district judge reviews legal conclusions *de novo*, even absent an objection. *See Cooper-Houston v. Southern Ry.* Co., 37 F.3d 603, 604 (11th Cir. 1994).

After independently examining the file and on consideration of Judge Mirando's findings and recommendation, the Court accepts and adopts the Report and Recommendation.

Accordingly, it is now

## **ORDERED:**

- (1) The Report and Recommendation (Doc. 24) is **ACCEPTED** and **ADOPTED** and the findings incorporated herein.
- (2) The Commissioner's decision is **REVERSED**, and this matter is **REMANDED** for rehearing under sentence four of 42 U.S.C. § 405(g), with instructions to the Administrative Law Judge to:
  - a. Permit questioning of the vocational expert regarding the source of the number of jobs in the national economy a person with Plaintiff's limitations could perform;
  - b. Conduct any further proceedings deemed appropriate.
- (3) The Clerk of Court is **DIRECTED** to enter judgment accordingly, terminate any pending motions, and close this case.

**DONE** and **ORDERED** in Fort Myers, Florida this 18th day of July, 2018.

SHERI POLSTER CHAPPELL

Copies: All Parties of Record