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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF GEORGIA

Dana P. Steward
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MIDDLE DISTRICT OF GEORGIA

IN RE: :
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CONSENT TO PROCEED BEFORE A : :
MAGISTRATE JUDGE : :
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Standing Order Number 2013-01

ORDER

Title 28, U.S.C. §636(c) authorizes magistrate judges, rather than district judges, to preside over civil cases if both sides consent. The United States Attorney consenting hereto, it is hereby ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that in all appeals to this Court from decisions denying Social Security benefits, the Defendant, i.e., the Commissioner of Social Security, who is represented by the United States Attorney, shall be deemed to have provided consent unless that consent is withdrawn as to a particular case at the time of filing the initial response to the complaint. The United States Attorney may withdraw the general consent to this Standing Order at any time by Notice to the Chief Judge, but such withdrawal will apply only to cases filed after the date of the withdrawal. This Order shall be effective as to all applicable cases filed after the date of this Order.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 31 day of JULY, 2013.

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CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Consented to by:

Michael J. Moore
Michael J. Moore
United States Attorney