IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND

IN RE:

SOCIAL SECURITY CASES

MISC. NO. 00-308

STANDING ORDER 2017-02

Pursuant to a Memorandum of Understanding between this Court and the United States Attorney's Office for the District of Maryland, the Chief of the Civil Division of the U.S. Attorney's Office has consented to the automatic entry of his appearance and to the entering of the Government's consent to disposition by a United States Magistrate Judge in all pending and future cases in which a plaintiff seeks review of a decision by the Commissioner of Social Security pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 405(g). Therefore, it is hereby

ORDERED by the United States District Court for the District of Maryland that, in all cases in which a plaintiff seeks review pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 405(g) of a decision by the Commissioner of Social Security, the Chief of the Civil Division of the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Maryland or his designee shall be designated as the counsel of record for the Government. No separate entry of appearance shall be required; and it is further

ORDERED that all such cases shall be assigned or reassigned to a United States

Magistrate Judge upon consent by the plaintiff. In the event that the plaintiff does not consent,
or if the Government withdraws its consent, the Clerk shall assign or reassign the case to a U.S.

District Judge consistent with the Local Rules of this Court.

May 9, 2017

Catherine C. Blake, Chief Judge United States District Court