UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF CONNECTICUT

EDUARDO GERENA, Plaintiff.

No. 3:17-cv-330 (SRU)

v.

NANCY A. BERRYHILL, Acting Commissioner of Social Security, Defendant.

ORDER GRANTING COMMISSIONER'S CONSENT MOTION FOR ENTRY OF JUDGMENT WITH REVERSAL AND REMAND

The defendant, Nancy A. Berryhill, Acting Commissioner of the Social Security Administration, has moved to enter judgment under sentence four of 42 U.S.C. § 405(g), with a reversal and remand of the cause to the Commissioner for further action. (doc. 13) Counsel for the Commissioner represents that she has attempted unsuccessfully to contact the *pro se* plaintiff regarding this motion.

Under sentence four of 42 U.S.C. § 405(g), I have the power to enter a judgment with a reversal and remand of the cause to the Commissioner for further proceedings. *See Shalala v. Schaefer*, 509 U.S. 292, 297 (1993); *Melkonyan v. Sullivan*, 501 U.S. 89, 98 (1991). Remand for further development of the record is appropriate when gaps exist in the administrative record or when the administrative law judge ("ALJ") committed legal error. *See Parker v. Harris*, 626 F.2d 225, 235 (2d Cir. 1980).

Here, the Commissioner has determined that remand of this case for additional administrative proceedings is necessary so that the Appeals Council may consider a letter submitted by the plaintiff on July 7, 2016, which had previously been erroneously overlooked.

Accordingly, I GRANT the Commissioner's Consent Motion for Entry of Judgment

under Sentence Four of 42 U.S.C. § 405(g) [Doc. No. 13]. The Clerk shall enter judgment and

remand the case to the Commissioner for further proceedings consistent with the motion. The

Clerk is further instructed that, if any party subsequently appeals to this court the decision made

after remand, that Social Security appeal shall be assigned to me (as the District Judge who

issued the ruling that remanded the case).

So ordered.

Dated at Bridgeport, Connecticut, this 20th day of April 2017.

/s/ STEFAN R. UNDERHILL

Stefan R. Underhill

United States District Judge

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