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**UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR VETERANS CLAIMS**

No. 18-0520 (E)

ROBERT E. LANGDON

APPELLANT,

v.

DENIS McDONOUGH,  
SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS,

APPELLEE.

**ORDER**

On February 22, 2022, the Secretary filed an unopposed motion to schedule a staff conference concerning appellant's application for fees and expenses under the Equal Access to Justice Act (EAJA). On the same date, the Secretary filed a motion for a stay of proceedings pending the EAJA staff conference.

Upon consideration of the foregoing, it is

ORDERED that the motion is granted and the Court will initiate an EAJA settlement conference on March 22, 2022, at 3:00 PM, Eastern Standard Time. *See* U.S. VET. APP. R. 33. Prior to the conference, the parties will confer by telephone regarding the issues regarding the amount of fees and expenses sought by the appellant. The conference will be conducted by Elizabeth M. Hessman, Esq., of the Court's Central Legal Staff, and this conference may be rescheduled by the Court only upon a showing of good cause. The attorneys will consult with the parties they represent, and come prepared to report the results of their pre-conference meeting regarding the issues before the Court. Further, the parties will come to the conference possessing sufficient authority to reach a full settlement of the matter or to state that no settlement can be reached on the final terms proposed by the appellant or the Secretary. It is further

ORDERED that proceedings are stayed pending further order of the Court.

DATED: March 7, 2022

FOR THE COURT:

GREGORY O. BLOCK  
Clerk of the Court

By /s/ Cynthia M. Brandon-Arnold  
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