

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

In re: Stay of Deadlines in Social Security
Disability Cases Pending the Restoration of
Department of Justice Funding

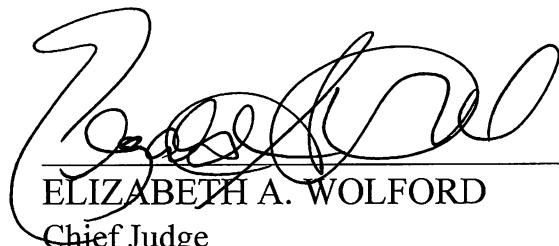
GENERAL ORDER
No. 169

Upon the application of the United States Attorney for the Western District of New York (“USAO WDNY”), and due to the lapse in appropriations necessary to fund the United States Department of Justice, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that, absent other direction or Court order:

1. All deadlines set forth in the Supplemental Rules for Social Security Actions under 42 U.S.C. § 405 (g), Rule 5.5 of this District’s Local Rules of Civil Procedure, or any court order in social security disability cases in which the USAO WDNY has appeared as counsel of record for the Commissioner of the Social Security Administration are tolled during the government shutdown and extended thereafter for a period of time equal to the number of days between October 1, 2025, and the date the President signs into law a budget appropriation that restores funding for the Department of Justice;
2. The USAO WDNY must notify the Court immediately upon the restoration of Department of Justice funding; and
3. The Court may renew or modify this General Order depending on subsequent developments. Any litigant affected by this General Order may seek relief from it by motion. The Court may vary the General Order’s effect or operation by a separate ruling in any individual case.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: October 3, 2025
Rochester, New York


ELIZABETH A. WOLFORD
Chief Judge
United States District Court