IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA

Plaintiff CIVIL ACTION NO. _____ v. Social Security Administration Defendant **ANSWER** Defendant, _____ Commissioner of Social Security, by counsel ______, Special Assistant United States Attorney for the Western District of Virginia, answers that the Commissioner's final decision is supported by substantial evidence and should be affirmed. Defendant asserts the affirmative defense of res

judicata (when applicable).

Respectfully submitted,

United States Attorney

/s/_____ Special Assistant United States Attorney

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

_____, I electronically filed I hereby certify that on _____ the foregoing with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system which will send notification of such filing to the following:

/s/ Special Assistant United States Attorney