

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

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TRACY L. BACKHAUS (aka ANDERSON),

Plaintiff,

v.

MICHAEL J. ASTRUE,  
Commissioner of Social Security,

Defendant.

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ORDER

11-cv-654-bbc

Plaintiff Tracy Backhaus has filed a civil suit pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 405(g) for review of a final decision of the Commissioner of Social Security denying plaintiff's application for social security disability benefits. Plaintiff seeks to commence this lawsuit without prepayment of the filing fees and costs or providing security therefor, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915.

From the affidavit of indigency plaintiff has submitted, I find that she is unable to prepay the fees and costs of commencing this action or to give security therefor.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that Tracy Backhaus's petition for leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* is GRANTED.

Entered this 27<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2011.

BY THE COURT:

/s/

STEPHEN L. CROCKER  
Magistrate Judge