

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Adam Steele, Brittany Montrois, and)
Joseph Henchman, on behalf of)
themselves and all others similarly)
situated,)
Plaintiffs,)
v.)
United States of America,)
Defendant.)
_____)

Civil Action No.: 1:14-cv-01523-RCL

JOINT STATUS REPORT

On January 24, 2023, this Court remanded this matter to the IRS to determine an appropriate refund for the class. (ECF 222 (“Order”). The Order also required the parties to file a joint status report every 30 days informing the Court of the “IRS’s work on remand until such time as that work is complete.” *Id.* The parties submit this joint status report as required by the Order.

United States:

During the past 30-days, counsel for the United States met with counsel for Accenture regarding the vendor portion of the user fee. Additionally, the IRS continued developing the methodology and process for calculating a refund for the class in accordance with the Court’s order. Finally, during the last 30 days, the IRS and undersigned counsel at the Department of Justice met at least once weekly regarding the IRS’s work on remand. During this process, the United States has identified certain portions of the Court's Opinion and Order that may be grounds for appeal, and the

United States respectfully reserves the right to appeal those portions of the Court's Opinion and Order. Nothing herein shall be deemed an admission of any kind or waiver of any appeal right.

Counsel for the United States also worked with counsel for the Plaintiffs to prepare a Rule 60 motion requesting amendment of the language of the Court's Order to accurately reflect the effective dates and amounts of the fees at issue.

Plaintiffs:

Plaintiffs are working on analyzing the proper costs of PTIN issuance and renewal. They look forward to sharing that analysis with the IRS and submitting it to the Court if and when appropriate.

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Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on March 24, 2023, I electronically filed the Joint Status Report in the CM/ECF system. I understand that notice of this filing will be sent to all parties by operation of the Court's electronic filing system.

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