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UNITED STATES SENATE
May 6, 2026
Mr. Cornelius McClary
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Dear Mr. McClary:

In final response to my inquiry on your behalf, officials with the Social Security Administration

(SSA) in Sumter, SC provided me with the following information

Mr. McClary filed for disability on 06/11/2025. He alleged an onset date of 04/06/2006; however, it was determined on 03/11/2026 that his disability began 10/01/2025

- His onset date for disability (SSDI) is 10/01/2025. There is a five full month waiting period before any benefits are paid. His first check was due March 2026.**
- For SSDI, he was awarded payments back to 10/01/25, the day his disability began. October 2025 is his first month of eligibility and payments began the following month.**
- Mr. McClary is receiving the max benefits payable for SSDI; therefore, there are no benefits payable on his record for dependents.**
- SSDI is only payable to the disabled individuals.**

If he disagrees with the date his disability began, he can file an appeal. He has 60 days from the date of the decision to file an appeal on the onset date

SSA District Manager

Please know that I was glad to make this contact on your behalf, and I hope this information

proves to be of value to you. It is an honor to represent you in the United States Senate, and I

hope you will continue to call on me whenever I can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

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