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## UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR VETERANS CLAIMS

No. 11-3083

CARMEN J. CARDONA,

APPELLANT,

V.

ERIC K. SHINSEKI,

SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS,

APPELLEE,

BIPARTISAN LEGAL ADVISORY GROUP OF THE U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

INTERVENOR.

## ORDER

Note: Pursuant to U.S. Vet. App. R. 30(a), this action may not be cited as precedent.

On December 7, 2012, the U.S. Supreme Court granted the petition for a writ of certiorari in *United States v. Windsor*, No. 12-307, which involves the constitutionality of Section 3 of the Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA), 1 U.S.C. § 7. As noted in previous orders, the constitutionality of DOMA, as well as 38 U.S.C. § 101(31), are the central issues in the instant appeal. Because the resolution of *Windsor* is likely to impact the instant appeal, it is

ORDERED, sua sponte, that this case is stayed pending resolution of *Windsor* or until further order of the Court.

DATED: December 18, 2012 PER CURIAM.

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