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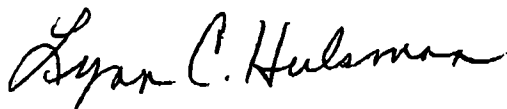
To Whom It May Concern:

Please be advised that as of November 24, 2019 my address changed. My  
New address is – 19 Saxony Circle, Manchester Township, NJ 08759.

On January 02, 2002 I received a letter of "Appellee's Unopposed Motion for  
A 45-day of Extension of Time" with a Motion Granted stamp dated December  
18, 2019. The correspondence I received before this was dated October 23, 2019,  
(a copy is attached).

If I am missing anything between October and January, could you please send it  
to my new address.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.



Lynn C. Hulsman

**IN THE UNITED STATES COURT  
OF APPEALS FOR VETERANS CLAIMS**

**MOTION GRANTED**

Dec 18 2019

by /s/ A. Fulwood

Deputy Clerk

**LYNN C. HULSMAN,**  
Appellant,

v.

**ROBERT L. WILKIE,**  
Secretary of Veterans Affairs,

Appellee.

Vet.App. No. 19-3985

**APPELLEE'S UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR  
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IN WHICH TO FILE A RESPONSE TO APPELLANT'S BRIEF**

Under Rules 26(b), 27(a), and 45(g)(4), Appellee respectfully moves this Court for a 45-day extension of time, until January 31, 2020, in which to file a response to Appellant's brief. Appellee's brief is due December 17, 2019.

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Respectfully submitted,

**WILLIAM A. HUDSON, JR.**  
Acting General Counsel

**MARY ANN FLYNN**  
Chief Counsel

/s/ Anna Whited  
**ANNA WHITED**  
Deputy Chief Counsel

/s/ Timothy G. Joseph  
**TIMOTHY G. JOSEPH**  
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Attorneys for Appellee,  
Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify under possible penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America, that on December 17, 2019, a copy of the foregoing was mailed, postage prepaid, to:

Lynn C. Hulsman  
144 Pacific Avenue  
Beachwood, NJ 08722

/s/ Timothy G. Joseph  
**TIMOTHY G. JOSEPH**  
Appellate Attorney

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**Department of  
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October 23, 2019



LYNN C HULSMAN

**You May Qualify for Dependency and Indemnity Compensation (DIC) Benefits**

Dear LYNN HULSMAN,

Due to a recent law change, you may be eligible for VA benefits.

**Why We Are Contacting You**

The new law (Public Law 116-23<sup>1</sup>, *Blue Water Navy Vietnam Veterans Act of 2019*):

- extends presumption of herbicide exposure to service within the offshore waters of the Republic of Vietnam, and
- provides a potential earlier effective date for DIC claims that were previously denied.

**How This May Affect You**

You were previously denied DIC benefits related to the Veteran's exposure to herbicides, and you may now be eligible. You may also be eligible for a potential retroactive effective date, if VA grants these benefits under the new law, for benefits you previously claimed on or after September 25, 1985, and before January 1, 2020, that were subsequently denied.

VA is currently processing claims and will decide these claims based on the date of the new law. This means eligible survivors will be awarded benefits as early as January 1, 2020.

**Eligibility Criteria**

You may apply for benefits if you believe the following criteria are met:

1. The Veteran served aboard a US Navy or Coast Guard ship on the offshore "blue waters" of the Republic of Vietnam between January 9, 1962, and May 7, 1975, VA will presume herbicide exposure if the Veteran's service included:
  - Duty or visitation within the Republic of Vietnam itself, or
  - Travel on a vessel in the inland waterways of the Republic of Vietnam, or
  - Travel on a vessel within the eligible offshore waters as listed in Public Law 116-23.
2. You provide medical evidence showing that the principal or contributory cause of the Veteran's death is, or is secondary to, one or more of the conditions listed in 38 C.F.R. § 3.309(e), and listed below:
  - Amyloid light-chain (AL) amyloidosis
  - Chloracne or other acneform disease consistent with chloracne
  - Parkinson's disease
  - Peripheral neuropathy, early-onset
  - Porphyria cutanea tarda

<sup>1</sup>PL 116-23, *Blue Water Navy Vietnam Veterans Act of 2019*, can be accessed online at <https://www.congress.gov/bills/116/congress/house-bill/299/text>.

- Chronic B-cell leukemias
- Diabetes mellitus type 2
- Ischemic heart disease
- Lymphoma, Hodgkin's
- Lymphoma, Non-Hodgkin's
- Multiple myeloma
- Prostate cancer
- Respiratory cancers (lung, bronchus, larynx, or trachea)
- Soft-tissue sarcoma (other than osteosarcoma, chondrosarcoma, Kaposi's sarcoma, or mesothelioma)

### What We Need from You

If you feel you meet the eligibility criteria:

1. Submit the enclosed VA Form 20-0995, *Decision Review Request: Supplemental Claim*.
2. Submit any evidence relevant to the circumstances of the Veteran's Vietnam service such as the vessel served on, the dates of service on that vessel, and dates of duty or visitation within the Republic of Vietnam or within the offshore waters as listed in Public Law 116-23.
3. Submit or tell us or consult with your Veterans Service Organization (VSO) about any evidence, such as treatment for one or more of the conditions as referenced above associated with the Veteran's death, that VA can assist you in gathering in support of your claim.

*Please note, if you do not submit a completed VA Form 20-0995, VA will not take any action to review your claim.*

### If You Have Questions or Need Assistance

VA Website	<a href="http://www.va.gov/">www.va.gov/</a>
National Cemetery Administration	<a href="https://www.cem.va.gov/">https://www.cem.va.gov/</a>
VA Forms Website	<a href="http://www.va.gov/vaforms">www.va.gov/vaforms</a>
VA Agent Orange Website	<a href="https://www.va.gov/disability/eligibility/hazardous-materials-exposure/agent-orange/">https://www.va.gov/disability/eligibility/hazardous-materials-exposure/agent-orange/</a>
Frequently Asked Questions	<a href="https://iris.custhelp.va.gov/app/answers/list">https://iris.custhelp.va.gov/app/answers/list</a>
Submit a Question*	<a href="https://iris.custhelp.va.gov/app/ask">https://iris.custhelp.va.gov/app/ask</a>
Mailing Address*	U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Pension Intake Center PO Box 5365 Janesville, WI 53547-5365
Fax Numbers*	(844) 655-1604 (inside the U.S.) (248) 524-4260 (outside the U.S.)
Toll Free Number	1-800-749-8387, Option 2
TTY, Federal Relay	711
Veterans Crisis Line	1-800-273-8255 and press 1
VA Regional Office Location	<a href="http://www.va.gov/find-locations">www.va.gov/find-locations</a>

*\*Please include the Veteran's full name and VA file number with your question; on the inside of mailed correspondence (not on the envelope); or on the fax coversheet.*



You may wish to contact an accredited VSO to assist you with your application. For a list of accredited Veterans Service Organizations go to <https://www.va.gov/vso/>. You may also contact your state office of veterans affairs at <https://www.va.gov/statedva.htm>, should you need further assistance with the application process.

We appreciate your support of our nation's Veterans and we are honored to serve you.

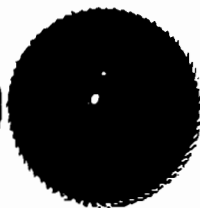
Sincerely,

Ronald S. Burke  
Executive Director, Pension and Fiduciary Service  
Veterans Benefits Administration

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Enclosure: VA Form 20-0995

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**OCEAN COUNTY  
VETERANS SERVICE BUREAU**

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John P. Dorrity MSW, CVA  
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**TO: CLERK, USCAVC**

**FAX #: 202-501-5848**

**DATE: JANUARY 8, 2020**

**FROM: JOHN P. DORRITY**

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**MESSAGE:**

**RE: HULSMAN, FREDERICK S.  
XCSS#: 147-38-0046**

**PLEASE NOTE: CHANGE OF ADDRESS  
SEE ATTACHED LETTER FROM SURVIVING SPOUSE**

**LYNN HULSMAN**