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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR VETERANS CLAIMS

No. 18-5865

RONALD V. GARNER,

APPELLANT,

v.

ROBERT L. WILKIE,
SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS,

APPELLEE.

Before BARTLEY, *Chief Judge*, and MEREDITH and TOTH, *Judges*.

ORDER

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

On January 28, 2020, the Court ordered the above-captioned case submitted to panel. Oral argument was subsequently scheduled for May 21, 2020.

On March 4, 2020, Mr. Garner, through counsel, filed an unopposed motion to clarify the issues to be addressed at oral argument. The Court herein grants that motion. In addition to the issues already briefed, including those related to the facts of Mr. Garner's specific case, the parties should be prepared to discuss the following issue at oral argument:

What is sufficient to reasonably raise the issue of whether obesity is an intermediate step toward service connection in the causal chain between a veteran's service-connected disability and the claimed disability?

Upon consideration of the foregoing, it is

ORDERED that Mr. Garner's unopposed motion to clarify the issues to be addressed at oral argument is granted. It is further

ORDERED that the parties be prepared to discuss the issues set forth above.

DATED: March 13, 2020

PER CURIAM.

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