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

TELLISON FORDE,	)	
Appellant,	)	
V.	)	Vet. App. No. 20-1295
ROBERT L. WILKIE, Secretary of Veterans Affairs,	)	
Appellee	)	

## **APPELLEE'S MOTION FOR STAY OF PROCEEDINGS**

Pursuant to U.S. Vet. App. R. 5(a)(3) and R. 27, the Secretary moves the Court to stay proceedings in this case. This motion is made in the interest of judicial efficiency pending a ruling on the Secretary's motion to dismiss filed simultaneously with this motion. In that motion, the Secretary moved the Court to dismiss this appeal for lack of subject matter jurisdiction. A stay of proceedings is sought to conserve judicial resources until the Court's ruling on the motion to dismiss.

Appellant is *pro se* in this appeal.

**WHEREFORE**, the Secretary respectfully moves the Court to grant a stay of proceedings.

Respectfully submitted,

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I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct.

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