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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR VETERANS CLAIMS

No. 19-8949

SONJA D. GLOVER, APPELLANT,

V.

ROBERT L. WILKIE,
SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS, APPELLEE.

Before TOTH, *Judge*.

ORDER

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

Pro se veteran Sonja D. Glover appeals a November 2019 Board decision. The Secretary later moved to dismiss for lack of jurisdiction because the only matter before the Board—the propriety of the severance of service connection for bilateral pes planus—was remanded to the regional office for further proceedings. The Court ordered the veteran to show cause why the appeal should not be dismissed, but the time to do so has expired without a response.

The Court's jurisdiction is confined to review of final adverse Board decisions. 38 U.S.C. §§ 7252(a) and 7266(a). Because a remand doesn't grant or deny the benefit or the relief sought, it is not a final decision within the meaning of the statutes. *See Kirkpatrick v. Nicholson*, 417 F.3d 1361, 1364 (Fed. Cir. 2005). Thus, the Court does not have jurisdiction to hear this appeal. Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the Secretary's motion is granted and this appeal is DISMISSED for lack of jurisdiction.

DATED: April 30, 2020

BY THE COURT:



JOSEPH L. TOTH
Judge

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