

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

GARY M. LAMBERT,
Appellant,

v.

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

Vet. App. No. 19-2658

**APPELLEE’S RESPONSE TO THE COURT’S
OCTOBER 1, 2020, ORDER**

Appellee, Robert L. Wilkie, Secretary of Veterans Affairs, hereby submits this response to the Court’s October 1, 2020, Order, which directed the Secretary to respond to Appellant’s Motion to Substitute Parties filed on September 16, 2020.

The Secretary advises the Court that the Anchorage Regional Office (RO) made a formal Agency determination on October 7, 2020, that Ms. Judith E. Lambert is an eligible accrued beneficiary as the surviving spouse of Gary M. Lambert. Accordingly, the Secretary does not oppose the September 16, 2020, Motion to Substitute Parties.

WHEREFORE, Appellee, Robert L. Wilkie, Secretary of Veterans Affairs, responds to the Court's October 1, 2020, Order and submits this information for the Court's review and any action deemed appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,

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