

**MOTION GRANTED**

For the Panel



**Michael P. Allen**  
**Judge**

April 6, 2023

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

PAT A. HATFIELD )  
Appellant, )  
 )  
v. )  
 )  
DENIS MCDONOUGH, )  
Secretary of Veterans Affairs, )  
Appellee. )

Docket No. 21-5125

**APPELLANT'S UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR A 30-DAY  
EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE A MOTION FOR  
RECONSIDERATION UNDER VET. APP. R. 35**

Pursuant to U.S. Vet. App. R. 26(b) and 27, Appellant, Pat A. Hatfield, respectfully moves the Court for a 30-day extension of time, until Thursday, May 18, 2022, to file a motion for reconsideration of the Court’s March 28, 2023 panel decision affirming the Board’s June 4, 2021 decision. But for this Motion, any request for reconsideration must be filed by April 18, 2023, pursuant to U.S. Vet. App. Rule 35(d).

Good cause exists for this motion for an extension of time because the undersigned Counsel for Appellant has multiple Central Legal Staff conferences scheduled for the week of April 24, 2023 for which the summaries of the issues must be filed during the week of April 10, 2023. In addition, the undersigned Counsel for Appellant will be out of the office attending a Veterans Law related conference from April 20-22, 2023 and has multiple upcoming briefing deadlines before the Board. Therefore, additional time is needed to review the Court’s March 28, 2023 panel decision and, if necessary, file a motion for reconsideration under Vet. App. R. 35.

Appellant has not been granted any extension time for his filing. Previously, the Secretary requested and was granted 45 days of extension time in which to file his brief and Appellant requested and was granted 45 days of extension time in which to file her reply brief.

Counsel for the Secretary is unopposed to this motion.

**WHEREFORE**, the Appellant respectfully requests that the Court grant this motion for a 30-day extension of time, until Thursday, May 18, 2022, to file a motion for reconsideration of the Court's March 28, 2023 panel decision.

Respectfully submitted,

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Date

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