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Gregory O. Block, Clerk U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims 625 Indiana Avenue, NW, Suite 900 Washington, DC 20004

Re: Jessie B. Lewis v. Robert L. Wilkie, Docket No: 18-2075 (Corrected Statement of Supplemental Authorities)

Dear Mr. Block:

Pursuant to U.S. Vet. App. R. 30(b), Petitioner, Jessie Lewis, hereby advises the Court of additional pertinent and significant authority that has come to the attention of the undersigned counsel since the Petitioner filed his August 16, 2018 response to the Court's Order in the above referenced case. This is submitted in advance of the oral argument scheduled for January 22, 2019, at 10:00 AM.

Petitioner informs the Court of <u>Acree v. O'Rourke</u>, 891 F.3d 1009, 1012-13 (Fed. Cir. 2018), holding that even a voluntary withdrawal of a claim must be shown to be: (1) "explicit"; (2) "unambiguous"; and (3) "done with a full understanding of the consequences of such action on the part of the [veteran]." (citing <u>DeLisio v. Shinseki</u>, 25 Vet.App. 45, 57 (2011)). The case is relevant to the Secretary's argument that there was a waiver of the sinusitis claim in this case.

The Petitioner would also draw the Court's attention to the fact that <u>Carter v. Shinseki</u>, 26 Vet.App. 534 (2014) was reversed by Carter v. McDonald, 794 F.3d 1342 (Fed. Cir. 2015).

Respectfully submitted,

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