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## **Anthony O'Connell**

3 message:

Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Sat, Jan 28, 2012 at 10:09 PM

To: boneil@azdvs.gov

Cc: Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Anthony M. OConnell
439 S. Vista Del Rio
Green Valley, AZ 85614
No telephone
anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com
VA File Number 25 163 990 (From VA Form 21-526 signed on January 17, 2012)

Information from the Phoenix VA:
"In reply, refer to:
345 PD2/GW

File number: 25 163 990

Anthony M. OConnell

Jan28 (10:09pm) Veteran to Brian O'Neil

An∖ ∵Brian O'Neil,

Would you please add my attached credit card statement to my financial disclosure documents?

l<sup>6</sup>don't know what credit card companies do when the credit card debit reaches it's limit. In general, do you know?

Thank you again,

Anthony O'Connell 7637



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Brian O'Neil <boneil@azdvs.gov>

To: Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Tue, Jan 31, 2012 at 8:02 AM

Idon't know what they do. Why are we submitting the credit card statement? What is the relevence of what is shown on it?

Brian O'Neil

Arizona Department of Veterans' Services

Veterans Services Division

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Jan31 (8:02am) Brian O'Neill to Veteran

From: Anthony OConnell [mailto:anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com]

Sent: Saturday, January 28, 2012 10:09 PM

To: Brian O'Neil

Cc: Anthony OConnell

Subject: Anthony O'Connell

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### Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Tue, Jan 31, 2012 at 8:33 AM

To: Brian O'Neil <boneil@azdvs.gov>

Jan31 (8:33am) Veteran to Brian O'Neil

Brian O'Neil,

Thanks for asking. I was thinking that the credit card statement would show that I was broke and need the pension.

Anthony M. O'Connell 7637 [Quoted text hidden]



Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Jan28 (10:15am) Veteran to Brian O'Neil

# VA economic pension; please drop skin cancer compension part of application

5 messages

#### Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

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Anthony M. OConnell:.



Brian O'Neill,

I admire your tolerance in filling out an application for someone who doesn't know the answers. I can do better. I would like to continue to use the Prescott office instead of switching to the Tucson office. You all are great

I received the Phoenix VA's letter of January 24, 2012, with instructions and forms. I would like to continue to do the pension part of my application but I would like to drop the agent orange/skin cancer compensation part of my application. Does that mean I just have to fill out the 8 page VA Form 21-527? But I see that this form has questions about disability. What forms from the Phoenix VA should I fill out? Should I restart the application process or modify what has already been submitted?

⊹Thank you,

Anthony O'Connell 7637

## Drop skin cancer part of application

Attached are copies of:

- 1- My DD214
- 2- 2010 IRS Form 1040, individual tax return
- 3- 2011 Form SSA-1099- social security benefit statement
- 4- Bank statement (only one bank)
- 5- Phoenix VA's letter January 24, 2012 18p
- 6- Phoenix VA's Form 21-527 10p

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Brian O'Neil <boneil@azdvs.gov>

To: Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Tue, Jan 31, 2012 at 9:34 AM

Anthony,

Jan31 (9:34am) Brian O'Neill to Veteran

The 21-526 that was already submitted should suffice, a 21-527 should not need to be submitted. I consulted with my colleagues here in the office, and it does not at this time make sense why the VA would have sent you the form in the first place, especially since the 21-526 addresses all the same issues. The process does not need to be restarted.

The 21-8049 is used to bring down your countable income, as is the 21-8416. Just fill them out with the applicable information, sign them, and send them to me. As they are financial forms, I cannot sign them on your behalf.

Once they are filled out, we can submit the VCAA Notice Response as well stating that you have no more information to submit.

Who hand-wrote in "Combat Action Medal" on your DD 214? This seems out of place as only the Air Force has a Combat Action Medal. The Navy, Coast Guard and Marine Corps have a Combat Action Ribbon.

For right now, I will submit a 21-4138 stating that you request that the compensation claim be withdrawn, and request the VA move forward on pension only. Since we are withdrawing the claim for compensation, the 21-4142 no longer needs to be completed.

Brian O'Neil Arizona Department of Veterans' Services Veterans Services Division

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From: Anthony OConnell [mailto:anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com]

Sent: Saturday, January 28, 2012 10:16 AM

**To:** Brian O'Neil **Cc:** Anthony OConnell

**Subject:** VA economic pension; please drop skin cancer compension part of application

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### Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Tue, Jan 31, 2012 at 12:34 PM

To: Brian O'Neil <boneil@azdvs.gov>

Brian O'Neil,

Jan31 (12:34pm) Veteran to Brian O'Neil

Thank you!

I wrote the "combat action medal amo" [amo = Anthony Miner O'Connell]" on my DD214 not realizing that the "Navy commendation medal with combat "V" means that. (I know, how could I not realize that)

Anthony O'Connell 7637

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## Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Tue, Jan 31, 2012 at 12:51 PM

To: Brian O'Neil <boneil@azdvs.gov>

Jan31 (12:51pm) Veteran to Brian O'Neil

Brian O'Neal,

And hope this isn't important but my DD214, block 4 of my personal date, says "NAVY - USNR". I think it should say "NAVY - USN". I had a regular commission; not a reserve commission. I had an NROTC scholarship to the University of Virginia and was a midshipman with the same status as the midshipman at the Naval Academy. I can send you documentation if you like.

Anthony O'Connell 7637

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## Brian O'Neil <boneil@azdvs.gov>

Tue, Jan 31, 2012 at 1:31 PM

To: Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Jan31 (1:31pm) Brian O'Neill to Veteran

Antony,

The VA will have to submit to NPRC for your records anyhow, so that should be reflected. The record from the VAMC reflects that you were Navy. Since there is already a claim folder in Honolulu for you, they should already have a DD 214 on file. We have also submitted to NPRC for your records, so you should receive a copy.

In the future, do not write information onto your official paperwork, as it invalidates the paperwork, and may actually be illegal. Veterans do not have the authority to adjust their own paperwork. If your DD 214 is missing something, then you have to submit a request to your branch of service to have a DD 215, which is a correction to the DD 214, generated. If you don't have the orders to show the award of a Combat Action Ribbon, and it is not annotated

on your DD 214, then you are not authorized to wear or claim the Combat Action Ribbon. This is something that is very important, the last time I saw a veteran submit an altered DD 214 to the VA, the VA Inspector General launched an investigation of them, believing that the claimant was not the veteran, but instead stealing their identity. If you add something to your original paperwork, the VA has to presume the entire document is invalid. So if it was the one piece of paper that could prove your claim, they would not be able to use it, and could result in a denial. If you feel the need to clarify documents, we can do so seperately.

When you receive the records from NPRC, you can go into the Arizona Department of Veterans Services office that is closest to you, and they can make you certified true copies, and submit certified true copies of the NPRC records to the VA on your behalf. Or if you are up this way and would like to bring them in, I can do it for you.

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From: Anthony OConnell [mailto:anthonymineroconnell@qmail.com]

**Sent:** Tuesday, January 31, 2012 12:52 PM

**To:** Brian O'Neil

Subject: Re: VA economic pension; please drop skin cancer compension part of application

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmall.com>

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com> To: Brian O'Neil <box> to: Brian O'Neil <a href="mailto:boneil@azdvs.gov">boneil@azdvs.gov</a></box></anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>	Wed, Feb 1, 2012 at 1:04 PM
Brian O'Neil,	Feb1 (1:04pm) Veteran to Brian O'Neil
Attached are copies of my DD214 before I wrote in the "Combat actibefore I wrote it in, and one copy is of a carbon copy where I never of the DD214 with the "Combat action medal amo" written in, but I a	wrote it in. I don't think any agency has a copy
I am not interested in going through the process of changing the US thanks for answering my questions about it.	NR to USN on my DD214 at this time, but
On VA Form 21-8416, where it says "Report medical expenses for the back can I go, or is it just for one year? Are there instructions on line every year for the pension?	
Thanks again, especially for your email of January 31, 2012, at 2102	2, which saved me from a potential ton of grief.
AAnthony M. O'Connell 7637	
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Brian O'Neil <boneil@azdvs.gov> To: Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com></anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com></boneil@azdvs.gov>	Wed, Feb 1, 2012 at 1:53 PM Feb1 (1:53pm) Brian O'Neill to Veteran
Spoke to a Navy individual, he told me that all officers in the US Nav for their first year. I don't know if that has something to do with it.	y are considered to be in the Navy Reserve
will submit the DD 214 to the VA, though since I haven't seen the ctrue. But as I stated yesterday, we have in the record request to NP you. Since you have filed a claim previously, as shown by you being DD 214.	RC for them to send certified true copies to
For the medical expenses, you generally go a year back.	
I am here to assist, let me know if there is anything else.	

Arizona Department of Veterans' Services

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From: Anthony OConnell [mailto:anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com]

Sent: Wednesday, February 01, 2012 1:04 PM

To: Brian O'Neil

Subject: Anthony O'Connell, application

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmall.com>

#### Pension status

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com> To: boneil@azdvs.gov

Wed, Mar 14, 2012 at 6:26 AM

Brian O'Neil.

March14 (6:26am) Veteran to Brian O'Neil

Can you tell me the status of my pension request?

If and when it comes through, would I get a letter or a check or what? Can I arrange a direct deposit to my checking account?

Thank you,

Anthony O'Connell 7637

Brian O'Neil <br/>
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boneil@azdvs.gov>

To: Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Wed, Mar 14, 2012 at 8:46 AM

March14 (8:46am) Brian O'Neill to Veteran

They are waiting on your records being sent to them, from the previous regional office that had your claim folder. They also put in a request to NPRC for your records, and are awaiting them.

If they do not have your bank information, then they would send a check. If you would like to receive direct deposit, then you would need to provide the VA with your bank information using VA form 24-0296. I have attached that form, so if you would like, fill it out, sign it, and snail mail it to me, and I will submit it to the VA.

Brian

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com> To: Brian O'Neil <boneil@azdvs.gov>

Wed, Mar 14, 2012 at 3:00 PM

March14 (3:00pm) Veteran to Brian O'Neil

Brian O'Neil.

Thank you for your response and for the form 24-0296.

don't understand their "They are waiting on your records being sent to them, from the previous regional office that had your claim folder. They also put in a request to NPRC for your records, and are awaiting them".

My claim started with your office and never changed. Which is their regional office and which is "the pervious regional office"?

Thank you.

Anthony O'Connell 7637 [Quoted text hidden]

#### Brian O'Neil <br/> <br/> boneil@azdvs.gov>

To: Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Wed, Mar 14, 2012 at 5:09 PM

March14 (5:09pm) Brian O'Neill to Veteran

If you recall when you came in, we went over the piece of paper from eligibility, which stated on it your claim folder was in Honolulu, in the regional office there. At some point in time, before you came to see me, you put in a claim for something from the VA. It might have been education, or a home loan. But they generated a claim folder on you. There is only one claim folder per veteran.

As far as NPRC, that is the governments repository for all paperwork. When you were discharged from the military, NPRC took possession of your service records. Any time a claim is made to the VA, they request those records, so they can verify military service, and the particulars of that service.

Both are normal, and nothing to be worried about.

Brian

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From: Anthony OConnell [mailto:anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com]

码\$ent: Wednesday, March 14, 2012 3:01 PM

ToTo: Brian O'Neil [Quoted text hidden]

Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com> To: Brian O'Neil <boneil@azdvs.gov>

March14 (5:38pm) Veteran to Brian O'Neil

Brian O'Neil.

I'm glad you know the system.

So, for starters for sure, my claim folder was originally in Honolulu?

The only previous clam I made to the VA was for the GI bill for the University of Massachusetts for 1969 to 1971, and for the State University of New York for 1972 until my eligibility ran out in 1973 or 1974.

What does NPRC stand for?

I'm going to hold on the direct deposit thing; I don't want to add any complications until after I, hopefully, get a check. What's your best tiguess as to when that might be?

Thanks again.

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Anthony O'Connell 7637 Quoted text hidden1

Brian O'Neil <br/>
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boneil@azdvs.gov>

To: Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Wed, Mar 14, 2012 at 5:56 PM

March14 (5:56pm) Brian O'Neill to Veteran

Where you are, in some cases has nothing to do with where your claim folder is. The VA can send a folder to any

Wed, Mar 14, 2012 at 5:38 PM

number of offices to be worked on. When I went to school in Massachusetts, my claim folder was in Muskogee, Oklahoma. Honolulu may have been where they sent your folder to be worked at that time. Or, the VA may have sent it there for any number of reasons. But since you are in Arizona now, they will try to work the claim out of the Phoenix Regional Office, though they can delegate it out to another Regional Office if their claim load is too high.

NPRC is the National Personnel Records Center. It is the central repository for military personnel records.

don't give time frames, any time I do the VA makes a liar out of me. I can tell you that people in my family have had their claim in since March of 2010. Yet I know other people who get their claim decided much faster. In the history of the VA, the year they had their most claims filed, last year they had double that amount. The VA has an incredible workload at the moment, without the infrastructure to support it. That means claims that used to take three months can now take over a year. Basically, be prepared to wait. It is an unfortunate reality that we are all suffering through right now, myself included.

Adding direct deposit doesn't complicate the claim in the slightest. I would actually suggest submitting it, to keep the VA from writing you again on it. But that is your choice. They will want it eventually, as they are being mandated to move to direct deposit to get rid of checks.

If you have any other questions, feel free to ask. I prefer getting reminders from clients every once in a while, so that I know to keep tabs on them. With thousands of veterans in our area, my memory isn't good enough to check on all of them every day. So any time you want to know what is up, just drop a line and I will get back with you as quickly as possible.

Brian

----Original Message----

From: Anthony OConnell [mailto:anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com]

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>
To: Brian O'Neil <br/>
boneil@azdvs.gov>

Thu, Mar 15, 2012 at 4:38 AM

March15 (4:38am) Veteran to Brian O'Neil

Brian O'Neil,

Thanks for your message.

don't understand the "my folder" concept in this electronic age but do understand that there is nothing I can do about it.

Enjoy your day. It's starting to get hot down here.

Anthony O'Connell 7637
[Quoted text hidden]



Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

## Reference: VA economic pension; please drop skin cancer compensation part of application

3 messages

Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

To: Brian O'Neil <boneil@azdvs.gov>

Bcc: Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Sun, May 13, 2012 at 10:12 PM

May13 (10:12pm) Veteran to Brian O'Neil

Mr. Brian O'Neil,

This is not a complaint but a request for information.

My application for an economic pension has gotten confusing. Would you please send me a copy of what you sent to the Phoenix VA to ask them to drop the skin cancer compensation part of my application? Please send me any and all information you have concerning this application. Please see the attachment.

Thank you

Anthony O'Connell 7637
439 South Vista Del Rio
Green Valley, Arizona 85614
anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com

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### Brian O'Neil <boneil@azdvs.gov>

To; Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Mon, May 14, 2012 at 9:21 AM

May15 (1:12am) Veteran to Brian O'Neil

VA withdrew your request for compensation of skin cancer, based on a typed statement that they received on February 7, 2012.

On March 20, 2012, per your request a VA 21-4138 was submitted to the VA. My system shows that two 21-4138's were filled out.

The first stated the following:

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To: 345/Triage

From: ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS SERVICES, 240 S Montezuma Street, Suite 208, Prescott AZ 86303

Subject: Withdrawal of compensation claim for skin cancer.

The veteran wishes to withdraw his claim for compensation for skin cancer.

This does not affect the veterans claim for Non-Service Connected Pension. Please move forward with the veterans claim for Non-Service Connected Pension.

On the VA 21-526, questions 36A, 36B, and 36C were not checked, the answer for each was "No".



Thank you.

The second one stated the following, and you were provided a copy of it by James Louis, the counselor you saw:

IN RESPONSE TO PHX VARO LETTER DATED JANUARY 24, 2012, THE VETERAN IS WITHDRAWING THE COMPENSATION CLAIM FOR SKIN CANCER

PLEASE EXPEDITE THE ADJUDICATION OF HIS NON-SERVICE CONNECTED PENSION BASED ON ELIGIBILITY - AGE 65 STATUS

THE VETERAN IS AGE 70 AND CURRENTLY RECEIVES \$538.00 PER MONTH FROM SOCIAL SECURITY

THANK YOU FOR YOUR IMMEDIATE ASSISTANCE

POA HELD BY ADVS

THE VETERAN DOES NOT HAVE A TELEPHONE. IF THERE IS A NEED TO CONTACT HIM, PLEASE CALL (520) 207-4960 EXT AND SPEAK WITH JAMES LOUIS (POA / ADVS)

On March 20, 2012 the VA system shows they received the Cover Sheet and 21-4138.

As this is now a pension claim, the Phoenix VA Regional Office has closed out the compensation claim as requested, and mailing the claim to the Pension Management Center (PMC) to process the pension. I called the PMC this morning and they have not as yet received it. Once they receive it, they will begin processing it.

I hope this answers your questions.

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Brian

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From: Anthony OConnell [mailto:anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com]

**Sent:** Sunday, May 13, 2012 10:13 PM

To: Brian O'Neil

Subject: Reference: VA economic pension; please drop skin cancer compensation part of application

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Tue, May 15, 2012 at 1:12 AM

To: Brian O'Neil <boneil@azdvs.gov>

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May15 (1:12am) Veteran to Brian O'Neil

Thank you.

Tony

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## Tracking my economic pension application initialed on January 24, 2012

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Tue, May 15, 2012 at 9:03 AM

To: Brian O'Neil <boneil@azdvs.gov>

Bcc: Anthony O'Connell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Brian O'Neil,

In trying to track my economic pension application initialed on January 24, 2012, the following from your email of May 14, 2012, is a treasure of information. A treasure:



"As this is now a pension claim, the Phoenix VA Regional Office has closed out the compensation claim as requested, and mailing the claim to the Pension Management Center (PMC) to process the pension. I called the PMC this morning and they have not as yet received it. Once they receive it, they will begin processing it "

Can you give me contacts and email addresses in the Pension Management Center (PMC) so I can contact them myself?

∴Tony O'Connell

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#### Brian O'Neil <br/> <br/> boneil@azdvs.gov>

Wed, May 16, 2012 at 8:45 AM

To: Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

May16 (8:45am) Brian O'Neil to Veteran

The VA only gives out the standard 1-800-827-1000 number for contacting them. And they do not release names to the public. I already contacted them the other day, and they do not have it in their possession as yet, or processing. So I am not sure why you are anxious to contact them, as it will not expedite your claim. While I understand you are trying to track your claim, you will never get better information through them, as you will through us on it. If you are anxious to track it, you can always enroll on eBenefits. You create a basic account online, then if you verify your information in person with the VA, your account is upgraded. One of the features it gives, is the ability to track claims.

Looking over everything though, it appears as though you are contacting our office near you, myself, and the VA. This may result in too many people trying to work towards the same goal, stepping on each others toes,

working from different angles, all the while. This is a process that unfortunately, takes time. The VA system has been overloaded for some time now, and pension claims are taking on average over six months.

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From: Anthony OConnell [mailto:anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, May 15, 2012 9:04 AM

To: Brian O'Neil

Subject: Tracking my economic pension application initialed on January 24, 2012

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## Can the document trail of the January 24, 2012, economic pension application be exposed?

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Thu, May 17, 2012 at 4:22 AM

To: Brian O'Neil <boneil@azdvs.gov>

Bcc: Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Brian O'Neil 240 South Montezuma Street, Suite 208 Prescott, Arizona 86303

Dear Mr. O'Neil,



This is not a complaint but a request for information. Can the document trail of the January 24, 2012, economic pension application be exposed?

What is the average process time for an economic pension application from a veteran over 65? Is it automatic? If it sinot automatic, what part of it is judged?

Thank you.

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To: Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Thu, May 17, 2012 at 9:05 AM

May17 (9:05am) Brian O'Neil to Veteran (1 of 2, 20-21 in part1, (contains 4:22 am and 9:05am)

I am not sure what you mean by "exposed".

On January 17, 2012, you came to my office and we filled out your claim. It was mailed to the VA, and it was received by them on January 20, 2012. Shortly thereafter, they requested your claim folder from the location it was being stored at, and that it be sent to the Phoenix VARO.

Statement submitted on February 7, 2012 that you would like to withdraw claim for skin cancer.



On May 7, 2012, your folder was received at the Phoenix VARO from its previous location

VA Letter sent to you on May 10, 2012 that your claim for compensation is withdrawn, and that your claim for pension will be processed at the Pension Management Center.

On May 14, 2012, I contacted to Pension Management Center in regards to your claim. They had not yet received your claim, but stated once they did they will begin working on it.

Hooked in the VA system today, your claim folder is still at the Phoenix VARO, waiting to be shipped out. The VA has opened your pension claim, but no work has begun on it.

The average process time for a pension is six to nine months from when the VA starts working on it. It looks at wartime service, income, assets, and whether a veteran is to disabled to work. Being over 65 for VA purposes, is considered a disability. Being over 65 means the VA doesn't have to develop for medical conditions, which means "over 65" claims should not take as long as those who are too disabled to work due to a physical disability. They verify through a request for records from the National Archives, if they don't already have the information in a claim folder, the veterans wartime service, and that they were honorably discharged. They can perform a data match with Social Security, and other sources to confirm that the income and assets that are reported are in fact correct. However, all information is verified to ensure eligibility for the pension, and this does take time.

The VA is currently handling a higher workload than it has ever handled in its history, and unfortunately, they cannot just hire people and throw them in the positions that need to be filled in order for the process to return to the speed that it had a few years ago. The job requires training and experience, which means claims take longer than before. The VA is trying to defray that extra time as much as possible, but it still takes time. While the VA average time is six to nine months for pension claims, they can also take over a year. When the PMC receives your claim, they will send you out a letter, typically in the first month, of what they need from you, if anything. The claim is a process, and there are people who submitted claims before you that the VA has to work through before they get to yours.

I hope this answers your questions.

Brian

From: Anthony OConnell [mailto:anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com]

Sent: Thursday, May 17, 2012 4:23 AM

To: Brian O'Neil

**Subject:** Can the document trail of the January 24, 2012, economic pension application be exposed?

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Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

To: Brian O'Neil <boneil@azdvs.gov>

Bcc: Anthony OConnell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com>

Fri, May 18, 2012 at 3:05 AM

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Veteran Benefits Counselor Arizona Department of Veteran's Services 240 South Montezuma Street, Suite 208 Prescott, Arizona 86303

Dear Mr. O'Neil,

This is not a complaint but a request for information. Can the document trail of the January 24, 2012, economic pension application be exposed?

I don't understand the Phoenix VA's letter of May 10, 2012. If you understand it, would you please explain it? If you don't understand it, would you please ask the sender to explain it?

"IMPORTANT - reply needed

Dear Mr. Oconnell:

Important Information

We have received your typed statement on February 7, 2012, stating that you wish to withdraw your claim for

\*Skin cancer

We have withdrawn your pending claim at this time. No further action will be taken on your claim. If you decide to reopen your claim at this time, just state so on the enclosed VA Form 21-4138. If we do not receive this form in the Department of Veterans Affairs with one year of the date of this letter, benefits, if entitlement is established, may not be paid prior to the date of this receipt. The Pension Management Center will address your claim for Non-Service Connected Pension. How Can You Contact Us?

If you are looking for general information about benefits and eligibility, you should visit our website at http://www.va.gov. Otherwise you can contact us in several ways. Please give us your VA file number 25 163 990, when you do contact us.

\*Call us at 1-800-827-1000. If you use a telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD), the number is 1-800-829-4833.

\*Send us an inquiry using the internet at https://iris.va.gov.

\*Write to us at the address at the top of this letter.

We look forward to resolving your claim in a fair and timely manner.

Sincerely yours,

Jeffrey McAdams

Veterans Service Center Manager

Enclosures: VA Form 21-4138

cc: ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS SERVICES"

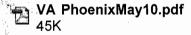
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If the Phoenix VA sent the economic pension application to the Saint Paul, Minnesota, PMC, on May 15, 2012, Cypun Euclide please send me copies of what information was sent.

Thank you.

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Brian O'Neil <boneil@azdvs.gov> To Anthony OCorinell <anthonymineroconnell@gmail.com> Fri, May 18, 2012 at 8:27 AM

Anthony,

May18 (8:27am) Brian O'Neil to Veteran (on page 2 of 3 page print out), p24-p26 in prt 1

It is a standard letter, there is nothing that obscure about it, and there is no hidden meaning in it. You are over-thinking this.

You had submitted for compensation, and pension.

Compensation claims are typically worked on at the VA Regional Office (VARO) in your state, in this case the Phoenix VARO.

Pension claims are typically worked on at the Saint Paul, Minnesota VARO.

Compensation and pension do not get worked on at the same time typically. They process the compensation, then they process the pension typically.

When you withdrew your compensation claim, for skin cancer, your compensation claim was closed at the Phoenix VARO, so that your pension claim can be sent to the Saint Paul VARO.

Even though you closed your compensation claim, the VA still gives you the option to reopen it at a later date, to keep the original date of claim, as long as you do it within the specified time period.

However, for now, just the pension claim is moving forward as you requested. And the work on it will be

done at the Saint Paul VARO

As far as what the Phoenix VARO is sending to Saint Paul, it should be your entire claim folder (which I cannot see on the computer to print the contents of), which includes everything that we have submitted.

Brian

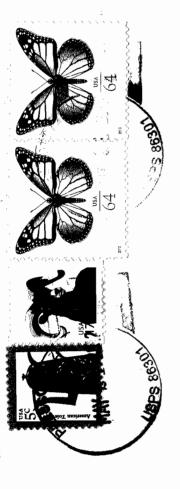
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May21 (postal mail, envelope) Brian O'Neil to Veteran

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## ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF VETERAN SERVICES (ADVS) 45 **VETERAN SERVICES DIVISION (VSD)**

Date

17 January 2012

Veteran:

Anthony M O'Connell

Claim:

25 163 990

2012 January 17 Submission cover sheet

To:

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From: Arizona Department of Veterans' Services

240 South Montezuma Street, Suite 208

Prescott AZ 86303

The following is submitted for Appropriate Action:

VA 21-22

Appointment of ADVS as POA

VA 21-526

Initial Claim for Compensation and Pension

#### Remarks:

Veterans claims folder is currently 359 Honolulu Regional Office, please transfer to Phoenix. A SF 180 has been submitted to NPRC, when the veteran receives them, a copy will be submitted to the VA.

Please process accordingly, thank you.

Veteran's Benefits Counselor

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YOU MUST SIGN AND PRINT YOUR NAME AND DATE THIS FORM IN ITEMS 42A THRU 42C ON PAGE 10.

		PART X - MEDICAL, LEGA	L, OR OTHER EXPENSES	
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		PART XI - DI	RECT DEPOSIT	
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40. NAME OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTION (Please provide the name of the

bank where you want your direct deposit to go)

4". ROUTING OR TRANSIT NUMBER (The first nine numbers located at the bottom left of your check or savings deposit slip)

PART XII - CERTIFICATION, A	AUTHORIZATION, AND SIGNATURE(S)	
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MPORTANT - If you sign with an "X", then you must have 2 peo	ple witness your signature. They must the	n print their names and
12A. VETERAN'S SIGNATURE (Do not print) (Please sign in ink)	42B. VETERAN'S PRINTED NAME Anthony M OConnell	42C, DATE SIGNED 01-17-2012
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PART XIII - REMARKS (Use this space for any additional sta Compensa	l atements that you would like to make o ation and/or Pension)	oncerning your application for
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## ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF VETERAN SERVICES (ADVS) 45 **THE AMERICAN LEGION 74 VETERAN SERVICES DIVISION (VSD)**

Date

22 February 2012

Veteran:

Anthony M. O'Connell

Claim:

25 163 990

2012 February22 Submission cover sheet

To:

345/PD2/GW

From: Arizona Department of Veterans' Services

240 South Montezuma Street, Suite 208

Prescott AZ 86303

The following is submitted for Appropriate Action:

VA 21-8416

Medical Expense Report

VA 21-8049

Request For Details Of Expenses

Remarks:

Please process accordingly, thank you.

Veteran's Benefits Counselor -

### 2012 February [10] VA Form 21-8416 Medical expense report

OMB Control No. 2900-0161 Respondent Burden: 30 minutes

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1. NAME OF VETERAN (First, middle, lost)	MEDICAL EX	PENSE REPO	<u> </u>	2. VA FILE NUMBER	
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4. VETERAN'S SOCIAL SECURITY NO.					
NOTE: Family medical expenses actually paid by you read for yourself or relatives who are members of your reimbursed. Any expenses reasonably related to medit the following: hospital expenses, office visits, drugs an hearing aids, nursing home fees, home health services buses, etc.). If you are not sure whether a particular exknow if an expense cannot be allowed. If more space is write your VA file number on any attachments.  You may be asked to verify the amounts you actually procession on your medical expense claim. If you are un	household. Do not rep cal or dental care may d medicines, eyeglass, s, and transportation fo opense can be allowed, is needed, attach a sep paid, so keep all receip	ort any expenses you be allowed as medic es, dental fees, medic r medical purposes (4 furnish a complete parate sheet of paper ts or other documenta	ald not pay or expenses at expenses. Examples of all insurance premiums in 1.5 cents per mile, plus escription of the purpose with columns correspondation of payments for at I	s for which you were or of allowable medical exp (including the Medicare parking and tolls or fare of the payment. We wa ding to those on this for , least 3 years after we man and the second	will be penses included deduction), as for taxis, will let you arm. Be sure to make a
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PRIVACY ACT NOTICE: VA will not disclose information collected on this form to any source other than what has been authorized under the Privacy Act of 1974 or Title 38, code of Federal Regulations 1.576 for routine uses (i.e., civil or criminal law enforcement, congressional communications, epidemiological or research studies, the collection of money owed to the United States, litigation in which the United States is a party or has an interest, the administration of VA programs and delivery of VA benefits, verification of identity and status, and personnel administration) as identified in the VA system of records, 58VA21/22/28 Compensation, Pension, Education, and Vocational Rehabilitation Records - VA, and published in the Federal Register. Your obligation to respond is required to obtain or retain benefits. The requested information is considered relevant and necessary to determine maximum benefits provided under law. VA uses your SSN to identify your claim file. Providing your SSN will help ensure that your records are properly associated with your claim file. Giving us your SSN account information is voluntary. Refusal to provide your SSN by itself will not result in the denial of benefits. VA will not deny an individual benefits for refusing to provide his or her SSN unless the disclosure of the SSN is required by a Federal Statute of law in effect prior to January 1, 1975, and still in effect. The responses you submit are considered confidential (38 U.S.C. 5701). Information submitted is subject to verification through computer matching programs with other agencies.

RESPONDENT BURDEN: We need this information to determine whether medical expenses you paid may be used to reduce the amount of income we count in determining eligibility to benefits (38 U.S.C. 1503). Title 38, United States Code, allows us to ask for this information. We estimate that you will need an average of 30 minutes to review the instructions, find the information, and complete this form. VA cannot conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless a valid OMB control number is displayed. You are not required to respond to a collection of information if this number is not displayed. Valid OMB control numbers can be located on the OMB Internet Page at <a href="http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain">http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain</a>. If desired, you can call 1-800-827-1000 to get information on where to send comments or suggestions about this form.

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EXISTING STOCK OF VA FORM 21-8049, MAR 2003, WILL BE USED.

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