§ 21.7303 Revision of decisions.

The revision of a decision on which an action was predicated is subject to the following sections:

(a) Clear and unmistakable error, §3.105(a) of this chapter; and

(b) Difference of opinion, §3.105(b) of this chapter.

§ 21.7305 Conflicting interests.

In administering benefits payable under 38 U.S.C. chapter 30, VA will apply the provisions of §21.4005.

§ 21.7307 Examination of records.

In administering benefits payable under 38 U.S.C. chapter 30, VA will apply the provisions of §21.4209.

§ 21.7310 Civil rights.

(a) Delegation of authority concerning Federal equal opportunity laws. The Under Secretary for Benefits is delegated the responsibility to obtain evidence of voluntary compliance with Federal equal opportunity laws from educational institutions and from recognized national organizations whose representatives are afforded space and office facilities under his or her jurisdiction. See part 18 of this chapter. These equal opportunity laws are:

(1) Title VI, Civil Rights Act of 1964;

(2) Title IX, Education Amendments of 1972, as amended;

(3) Section 504, Rehabilitation Act of 1973; and


(b) Role of State approving agencies. In obtaining evidence from educational institutions of compliance with Federal equal opportunity laws, the Under Secretary for Benefits may use the State approving agencies as provided in §21.4258(d).

§ 21.7320 Procedural protection; reduction following loss of dependent.

(a) Notice of reduction required when a veteran loses entitlement to additional educational assistance for a dependent. Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, VA will not reduce an award of educational assistance following the veteran’s loss of a dependent unless:

(1) VA has notified the veteran of the adverse action; and

(2) VA has provided the veteran with a period of 60 days in which to submit evidence for the purpose of showing that the educational assistance should not be reduced.

(b) No advance notice required in certain situations. When the reduction is based solely on written, factual, unambiguous information as to dependency or marital status provided by the veteran or his or her fiduciary with knowledge or notice that the information would be used to determine the monthly rate of educational assistance allowance:

(1) VA will not send either an advance or a prereduction notice as stated in paragraph (a) of this section; but

(2) VA will send notice of the adverse action contemporaneous with the reduction in educational assistance.

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