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required to sign the required form indicating that the Joint Board is authorized to discuss the contents of the subject record in the accompanying person’s presence. If, after making the inspection, the individual making the request desires a copy of all or portion of the requested records, such copy in a form comprehensible to him shall be furnished upon payment of the applicable fees for duplication as prescribed by § 903.6. Fees shall not be charged where they would amount, in the aggregate, to less than $53.00. (See 5 U.S.C. 552a (d) and (f):

(3) Denial of request. (i) When it is determined that the request for access to records will be denied (whether in whole or in part or subject to conditions or exceptions), the person making the request shall be so notified by mail in accordance with paragraph (f)(1) of this section. The letter of notification shall contain a statement of the reasons for not granting the request as made, set forth the name and title or position of the responsible official and advise the individual making the request of the right to file suit in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552a(g)(1)(B).

(ii) When it is determined that a request for access to accountings will be denied, the person making the request shall be so notified by mail in accordance with paragraph (f)(1)(4)(iii) of this section.

(4) Records exempt in whole or in part. (i) When an individual requests records concerning himself which have been compiled in reasonable anticipation of a civil action or proceeding either in a court or before an administrative tribunal, the Executive Director will neither confirm nor deny the existence of the record or accountings of disclosure therefrom, but shall advise the individual that no accounting available to him pursuant to the Privacy Act of 1974 has been identified.

§ 903.5 Procedures for amendment of records regarding individual—format, agency review and appeal from initial adverse agency determination.

(a) In general. Subject to the application of exemptions promulgated by the Joint Board, in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552a(k), the Executive Director shall, in conformance with 5 U.S.C. 552a(d)(2), permit an individual to request amendment of a record or accountings of disclosure therefrom, or which have been exempted from disclosure pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552a(k)(2), but shall advise the individual that no record available to him pursuant to the Privacy Act of 1974 has been identified.

(b) Form of request to amend records. In order to be subject to the provisions of
this section, a request to amend records shall:

(1) Be made in writing and signed by the person making the request, who must be the individual about whom the record is maintained, or his duly authorized representative. (See §903.7);

(2) State that it is made pursuant to the Privacy Act, 5 U.S.C. 552a or these regulations;

(3) Mark “Privacy Act Amendment Request” on the request and on the envelope; and

(4) Reasonably describe the records which the individual desires to have amended, including, to the best of the requester’s knowledge, dates of letters requesting access to such records previously and dates of letters in which notification concerning access was made, if any, and the individual’s documentation justifying the correction. (See 5 U.S.C. 552a (d) and (f)).

(c) Date of receipt of request. A request for amendment of records pertaining to an individual shall be deemed to have been received for purposes of this subpart when the requirements of paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section have been satisfied. The Office of the Executive Director shall stamp the date of receipt of the request thereon. (See 5 U.S.C. 552a (d) and (f)).

(d) Review of requests to amend records. The Executive Director shall:

(1) Not later than 10 days (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and legal public holidays) after the date of receipt of such request, acknowledge in writing such receipt; and

(2) Promptly, either—(i) make any correction of any portion of a record which the individual believes and the Executive Director agrees is not accurate, relevant, timely, or complete; or (ii) inform the individual of the refusal to amend the record in accordance with his request, the reason for the refusal, and that he may request that the Joint Board review such refusal. (See 5 U.S.C. 552a (d) and (f)).

(e) Administrative appeal—(1) In general. The Joint Board shall permit individuals to request a review of initial decisions made under paragraph (d) of this section when an individual disagrees with a refusal to amend his record. (See 5 U.S.C. 552a(d), and (g)(1)).

(2) Form of request for administrative review of refusal to amend record. At any time within 35 days after the date of the notification of the initial decision described in paragraph (d)(2)(ii) of this section, the requester may submit a request for review of such refusal to the official specified in the notification of the initial decision. The appeal shall:

(i) Be made in writing stating any arguments in support thereof and be signed by the person to whom the record pertains, or his duly authorized representative (See §903.7);

(ii) Within 35 days of the date of the initial decision: (A) Be addressed and mailed to the Joint Board for the Enrollment of Actuaries, c/o U.S. Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC 20220; or (B) be personally delivered to the Executive Director, Joint Board for the Enrollment of Actuaries, 2401 E Street NW., suite 1537, Washington, DC on workdays between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.;

(iii) Have clearly marked on the appeal and on the envelope, “Privacy Act Amendment Appeal’’;

(iv) Reasonably describe the records requested to be amended; and

(v) Specify the date of the initial request to amend records, and the date of the letter giving notification that the request was denied. (See 5 U.S.C. 552a (d) and (f)).

(3) Date of Receipt. Appeals shall be promptly stamped with the date of their receipt by the Office of the Executive Director and such stamped date will be deemed to be the date of receipt for all purposes of this section. The receipt of the appeal shall be acknowledged within 10 days from the date of receipt (unless the determination on appeal is dispatched in 10 days, in which case, no acknowledgment is required) by the Joint Board and the requester is advised of the date of receipt established by the foregoing and when a response is due in accordance with this paragraph. (See 5 U.S.C. 552a (d) and (f)).

(4) Review of administrative appeals from denial of requests to amend records. The Joint Board shall complete the review and notify the requester of the final agency decision within 30 days (exclusive of Saturdays, Sundays and legal public holidays) after the date of
receipt of such appeal, unless it extends the time for good cause shown. If such final agency decision is to refuse to amend the record, in whole or in part, the requester shall also be advised of his right: (i) to file a concise “Statement of Disagreement” setting forth the reasons for his disagreement with the decision which shall be filed within 35 days of the date of the notification of the final agency decision and (ii) to seek judicial review of the final agency decision under 5 U.S.C. 552a(g)(1)(A). (See 5 U.S.C. 552a(d), (f) and (g)(1)).

(5) Notation on record and distribution of statements of disagreement. (i) The Executive Director is responsible, in any disclosure containing information about which an individual has filed a “Statement of Disagreement,” occurring after the filing of the statement under paragraph (e)(4) of this section, for clearly noting any portion of the record which is disputed and providing copies of the statement and, if deemed appropriate, a concise statement of the Joint Board’s reasons for not making the amendments requested, to persons or other agencies to whom the disputed record has been disclosed. (See 5 U.S.C. 552a(d)(4)).

(ii) In addition, when a “Statement of Disagreement” is filed regarding information previously disclosed to a person or other agency and when, for such disclosure, an accounting was made pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(c)(1), then the Executive Director shall provide such person or other agency with the following:

(A) Copy of the “Statement of Disagreement”;

(B) Copy of the portion of the previously disclosed in dispute clearly noted as disputed and;

(C) If deemed appropriate, a concise statement of the Joint Board’s reasons for not making requested amendments.

(f) Records not subject to correction.

The following records are not subject to correction:

(1) Transcripts or written statements made under oath;

(2) Transcripts of Grand Jury proceedings, judicial or quasi-judicial proceedings which form the official record of those proceedings;

(3) Pre-sentence reports comprising the property of the courts but maintained in agency files;

(4) Records pertaining to the determination, the collection and the payment of federal taxes; and

(5) Records duly exempted from correction by notice published in the Federal Register.


§ 903.6 Fees.

Charges for copies of records made pursuant to part 903 of this chapter will be at the rate of $0.10 per copy. For records not susceptible to photocopying, e.g., over-size materials, photographs, etc., the amount charged will be the actual cost of copying. Only one copy of each record requested will be provided. No charge will be made unless the charge as computed above would exceed $3 for each request or related series of requests. If a fee in excess of $25 is required, the requester will be notified that the fee must be tendered before the records will be copied.

§ 903.7 Guardianship.

The guardian of a person judicially determined to be incompetent shall, in addition to establishing the identity of the person he represents, establish his own guardianship by furnishing a copy of a court order establishing the guardianship and may thereafter act on behalf of such individual. (See 5 U.S.C. 552a(h)).

§ 903.8 Exemptions.

(a) Names of systems: JBEA–2, Enrolled Actuary Disciplinary Records; and JBEA–4, Enrolled Actuary Enrollment Records.

(b) Provisions from which exempted: These systems contain records described in section (k)(2) of the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. 552a(k)(2). Exemptions are claimed for such records only where appropriate from the following provisions: sections (c)(3); (d); (e)(1); (e)(4)(G), (e)(4)(H), and (e)(4)(I); and (f) of 5 U.S.C. 552a.

(c) Reasons for claimed exemptions: (1) The Privacy Act of 1974 creates several methods by which individuals may learn of and obtain records containing