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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Veterans' Claims Adjudication Commission; Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), in accordance with Public Law 92-463, gives notice that the Veterans' Claims Adjudication Commission will meet on February 8, 1996, in the Captain's Room at the Channel Inn, 650 Water Street S.W., (ground floor), Washington, D.C., from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. On February 9, the Commission will tentatively meet from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon at the Disabled American Veterans National Headquarters, 807 Maine Avenue S.W., Washington, D.C. (across the street from the Channel Inn). Please call the Commission's office at 202-275-2142 to confirm the meeting on Friday, February 9.

On the morning of February 8, the Commission will review and discuss potential new areas of pursuit with respect to the Commission's continued study of the Department of Veterans Affairs system for the disposition of claims for veterans benefits, suggested by the House and Senate Committees on Veterans' Affairs, and the Under Secretary for Benefits, Department of Veterans Affairs. Following lunch, the Commission will discuss certain "Thought Papers" for potential new areas of pursuit including:

- Analysis of certain statistics provided by the Chief Judge, U.S. Court of Veterans Appeals relating to decisions of the court.
- Potential transportability of certain processing policies or procedures from the Department of Labor, the Social Security Administration, or the private insurance industry to VA.
- Review of the quality of compensation and pension medical examinations provided by the Veterans Health Administration.
- Exploration of potential changes in the nature of compensation/managing compensation like an indemnity fund.

- The relationship between non service-connected disability pension and Social Security benefits.

Later in the afternoon, each Commissioner will identify area(s) of pursuit for which they will take responsibility.

The meeting is open to the public; however, no specific amount of time is allocated for the purpose of receiving oral presentations from the public. The Commission will accept appropriate written comments from interested parties on the subject matter addressed during the meeting. Such comments may be referred to the Commission at the following address: Veterans' Claims Adjudication Commission (20C), U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20420.

Additional information concerning this meeting may be obtained by contacting the Commission at (202)275-2142.

Dated: January 30, 1996.

By Direction of the Secretary:
Heyward Bannister,

Committee Management Officer.

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