DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Advisory Committee on Minority Veterans, Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2 that the Advisory Committee on Minority Veterans will meet on December 1–3, 2015, at the Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Conference Room 230, Washington, DC. On December 1st and 2nd, the sessions will begin at 8:00 a.m. and end at 5:00 p.m. On December 3rd, the session will reconvene at 8:00 a.m. and adjourn at 1:00 p.m. This meeting is open to the public.

The purposes of the Committee are to: advise the Secretary on the administration of VA benefits and services to minority Veterans; and evaluate whether VA compensation, medical and rehabilitation services, outreach, and other programs are meeting those needs. The Committee makes recommendations to the Secretary regarding such activities.

On December 1, the Committee will receive briefings and updates from the Center for Minority Veterans, Office of Health Equity, National Center for Veterans Analysis, Office of Tribal Government Relations (OTGR), MyVA Initiative, and Veterans Benefits Administration. On December 2, the Committee will receive briefings and updates on the National Cemetery Administration (NCA), Mental Health Services, Veterans Economic Community Initiative, Women’s Health Services, Office of Rural Health, Veterans Health Administration (VHA), and Homeless Programs. On December 3, the Committee will receive a briefing and update on Office of Diversity & Inclusion, Ex-Officios Update and hold an exit briefing with VBA, VHA and NCA. The Committee will receive public comments from 10:00 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. After public comments, the Committee will continue to work on their report.

A sign-in sheet for those who want to give comments will be available at the meeting. Individuals who speak are invited to submit a 1–2 page summaries of their comments at the time of the meeting for inclusion in the official meeting record. Members of the public may also submit written statements for the Committee’s review to Ms. Juanita Mullen, Department of Veterans Affairs, Center for Minority Veterans (00M), 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420, or email at Juanita.Mullen@va.gov. Because the meeting will be in a Government building, anyone attending must be prepared to show a valid photo ID for checking in. Please allow 15 minutes before the meeting begins for this process. Any member of the public wishing to attend or seek additional information should contact Ms. Mullen or Ms. Denise Wright at (202) 461–6191 or by fax at (202) 273–7092.

Dated: November 6, 2015.

Jelissa Burney,
Federal Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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Agency Information Collection (Statement of Accredited Representative in Appealed Case) Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Board of Veterans’ Appeals, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501–3521), this notice announces that the Board of Veterans’ Appeals (BVA), Department of Veterans Affairs, will submit the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden and includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before December 14, 2015.

ADDRESS: Submit written comments on the collection of information through www.Regulations.gov, or to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attn: VA Desk Officer; 725 17th St. NW., Washington, DC 20503 or sent through electronic mail to oira_submission@omb.eop.gov. Please refer to “OMB Control No. 2900–0002” in any correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Crystal Rennie, Enterprise Records Service (005R1B), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420, (202) 632–7492 or email crystal.rennie@va.gov. Please refer to “OMB Control No. 2900–0002” in any correspondence.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Statement of Accredited Representative in Appealed Case.

OMB Control No: 2900–0002.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: A recognized organization, attorney, agent, or other authorized person representing VA claimants before the Board of Veterans’ Appeals complete VA Form 646 to provide identifying data describing the basis for their claimant’s disagreement with the denial of VA benefits. VA uses the data collected to identify the issues in dispute and to prepare a decision responsive to the claimant’s disagreement.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The Federal Register Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published at 80 FR 48138 on August 7, 2015.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 50,286.

Estimated Average Burden per Respondent: 1 hour.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 50,286.

By direction of the Secretary.

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