

# THE VETERANS CONSORTIUM PRO BONO PROGRAM

*Providing Representation to Veterans at the U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims*

## Retainer Agreement and Power Of Attorney

I want to be represented before the U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims under The Veterans Consortium Pro Bono Program. I understand that to find out if I qualify for a pro bono (free) representative under the program my case must be screened. I agree to be represented by The Veterans Consortium for the purpose of screening my case. If my case is accepted for placement, the Veterans Consortium will provide monitoring and mentoring assistance to my free representative. I understand that I will not be charged a fee and I can withdraw from this program in writing at any time.

Consent to Release of Information: I give my consent for The Veterans Consortium, or attorney participating in the Veterans Consortium Program, as my representative, to review and make copies of any material contained in my claims file in the custody of the Department of Veterans Affairs and in my case file in the custody of the U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims. If this material includes information (protected under 38 U.S.C. § 7332) about drug abuse, infection with the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), alcoholism or alcohol abuse, or sickle cell anemia, I specifically consent to that disclosure as well. To permit this, and for no other purpose, I waive my rights under the Privacy Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552a(b), and under any other federal or state law or regulation that controls access to my records.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

VA Claim No. \_\_\_\_\_

Six Digit Court Of Appeals Docket Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Your Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Your E-Mail Address (Optional) \_\_\_\_\_

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### INSTRUCTIONS

If you want to be considered for representation under the Veterans Consortium Pro Bono Program, you must complete and sign this form. Send it to:

The Veterans Consortium Pro Bono Program  
701 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 131  
Washington, DC 20004

**Do Not Send This Form To The Court.**