It is not uncommon for veterans and their families to find themselves engaged in two simultaneous battles, attempting to manage their health while also convincing the VA that their condition is in fact connected to their service. We help veterans, surviving spouses and their surviving children obtain the benefits they deserve.

OUR FIRM

Since 1993, the attorneys at Sullivan & Kehoe, LLP have helped veterans to obtain the full benefits to which they are entitled. We are members of the NOVA, National Organization of Veterans Advocates, and are admitted to practice before the BVA and CAVC. We look forward to the opportunity to help you to obtain the best possible outcome in your claim.

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ESTABLISHING A SERVICE CONNECTION

The VA provides compensation to veterans who have a disability or disease that is related to his or her period of military service. A disability or disease related to a veteran's period of military service is otherwise known as service connection or a service-connected disability.

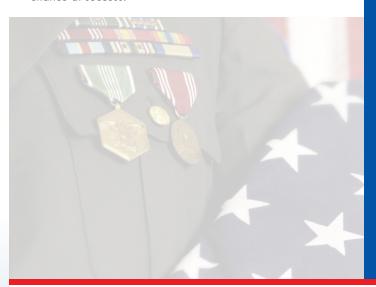
For example, VA law will entitle a veteran to an award of service connection if he or she can establish the following:
(1) an in-service disability, injury or incident; (2) a current disability; and, (3) a medical link between the current disability and the in-service disability, injury or incident.

APPEALS FOR INCREASED RATINGS AND TOIU

If the symptoms associated with your service-related disability have increased over the years, or if your claim was granted at an inappropriately low level, you may be eligible for an increased rating for your condition. If you have received a decision regarding your condition during the past year, you can file an appeal for an increased rating. If longer than a year, if you have not, you can file a new claim for an increased rating. An increased rating will result in additional benefits.

ACQUIRING YOUR CLAIMS FOLDER

In most cases, it takes the VA regional office between 4 and 12 months to send a copy of their claims folder to us. All decisions from the VA are based solely on the evidence that is contained in your claims folder. Therefore, once we see the evidence upon which the VA has based their decision, we will be able to supplement the record with whatever evidence is necessary in order to give you the best possible chance at success.



WHAT WE DO FOR VETERANS

- Conduct your initial consultation to determine the validity of your appeal
- Guide you through the claims process and answer questions as they arise
- Complete and file all VA forms and requests for appeals with the proper office
- Handle all contact with the Department of Veterans Affairs
- Obtain necessary evidence and medical records to substantiate your claim
- Prepare and submit analyses of all evidence related to the claim
- Prepare you for all hearings
- Represent you at all hearings and appeals
- Keep you informed of case status every step of the way

COMMON CONDITIONS QUALIFYING FOR VETERANS DISABILITY BENEFITS

- Sexual Assault
- PTSD
- Agent Orange Exposure
- Traumatic Brain Injury
- Depression

- Anxiety
- Panic Attack
- Mental Illness
- Psychological disorder

WE REPRESENT YOU ON A CONTINGENCY FEE BASIS

Our law firm handles all veterans disability claims on a contingency fee basis. We will only be paid for work on your behalf, if we are successful in obtaining additional retroactive benefits for you. In virtually all of our cases, our fee is 20% of the retroactive benefits to which you become entitled. The only other case-related expenses that you may incur during our representation would be for medical records or reports. We will, however, always inform you of the cost of this evidence before we request that your providers issue it to us.