It is never to late to file a VA Claim, I am an Accredited Claims Agent, and my client has been out of the military for over 30 years, and had never filed a claim. He filed Formand they denied everything. So I told him to make me his claims agent. I immediately requested his records, and went through his entire file, annotating all of his disabilities, and arranged each disability by date, diagnosis, and where it was diagnosed. I also requested all of his records from his civilian doctors to show that the conditions that started during military service, still existed and were know chronic. I also used 38 CFR, Part 4, Subpart B, to show what his rating should be. All this info was already in his C-File but was overlooked.

I was furious that everything was denied, so I also did a congressional Inquiry and asked for the case to be expedited due to his financial situation and health. I also requested a DRO Decision.

Needless to say, within 3 weeks, his case was re-looked and he is now 100 percent disabled, and back dated to the date that his original request for claim was submitted.

The moral of the story is never give up. Denial doesn't mean no, denial means it's time to gather evidence and prove to VA that you deserve your benefits!

Invite your fellow veterans and family members to our page, so they can also learn how to get the benefits that they deserve. We have to take care of each other, if we don't who will?

Each One Teach One!

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