



THE SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS  
WASHINGTON  
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**MEMORANDUM FOR UNDER SECRETARIES, ASSISTANT SECRETARIES, AND  
OTHER KEY OFFICIALS**

**SUBJECT: Delegation of Authority to Determine 38 U.S.C 7422 Requests**

- 1. DELEGATION:** Through this memorandum, I hereby designate the Under Secretary of Health the authority to decide whether a matter or question concerns or arises out of professional conduct or competence (direct patient care, clinical competence), peer review or employee compensation within the meaning of 38 U.S.C. 7422 and issue determinations based on those decisions. This authority may not be redelegated.
- 2. AUTHORITY:** 38 U.S.C. § 7422(b).
- 3. RESTRICTIONS:** None.
- 4. EFFECTIVE DATE:** The delegation of authority is effective upon signature and will expire two years after the date delegated unless otherwise rescinded.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Robert A. McDonald".

Robert A. McDonald