



THE SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
WASHINGTON

April 1, 2022

**MEMORANDUM FOR UNDER SECRETARIES, ASSISTANT SECRETARIES AND
OTHER KEY OFFICIALS**

SUBJECT: Delegation of Authority to Act on Inspector General Reports of Investigations into Reprisal Allegations Made by Employees of Contractors and Grantees.

1. DELEGATION. This memorandum delegates to the Principal Executive Director, Office of Acquisition, Logistics and Construction (OALC), the authorities assigned to the head of the agency in 41 U.S.C. § 4712(c), including specifically, the authorities to receive applicable VA Inspector General Reports of Investigation; determine whether there is sufficient basis to conclude that the complainant was subjected to reprisal; issue an order denying or ordering relief; and to file an action for enforcement if necessary.

2. AUTHORITIES.

- a. [38 U.S.C. § 512 \(a\)](#), Delegation of authority, assignment of functions and duties;
- b. [41 U.S.C. § 4712\(c\)](#), Enhancement of contractor protection from reprisal for disclosure of certain information;
- c. [41 U.S.C. § 3102\(a\)](#), Delegation and assignment of powers, functions and responsibilities; and
- c. [VA Directive 0000](#), Delegations of Authority.

3. RESTRICTIONS. None.

4. REDELEGATION. No further delegation is authorized.

5. EFFECTIVE DATE. I waive the 2-year expiration date required by VA Directive 0000, Delegations of Authority, for this delegation. This delegation is effective upon signature and remains in effect for 4 years until otherwise rescinded, modified or superseded.

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

Denis McDonough