



THE SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
WASHINGTON

October 5, 2017

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

1. **DELEGATIONS UNDER 38 U.S.C. § 713:** The delegations of authority under the provisions of 38 U.S.C § 713, are as follows:

- a. Proposing Official - Supervisor who is one supervisory level above the receiving employee, or is otherwise delegated such authority by the Secretary.
- b. Deciding Official – Supervisor who is one supervisory level above the Proposing Official, or is otherwise delegated such authority by the Secretary.
- c. Grievance Official – Under Secretary, Assistant Secretary, or other individual delegated such authority by the Secretary, but such individual may not have served as either the Proposing or Deciding Official.

2. **AUTHORITY.** 38 U.S.C. §§ 512, 713.

3. **RECISSIONS.** Paragraph 1 of the memorandum dated July 5, 2017, is rescinded.

4. **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This delegation is effective upon signature and expires two years after the date delegated.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "D. Shulkin", is written over a light-colored rectangular background.

David J. Shulkin, MD