| VA **Department of Veterans Affairs** | **DECLARATION OF STATUS OF DEPENDENTS** |

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RESPONDENT BURDEN: We need this information to determine marital status and eligibility for an additional allowance for dependents under 38 U.S.C. 1115. Title 38, United States Code, allows us to ask for this information. We estimate that you will need an average of 15 minutes to review the instructions, find the information and complete this form. VA cannot conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless a valid OMB control number is displayed. You are not required to respond to a collection of information if this number is not displayed. Valid OMB control numbers can be located on the OMB Internet Page at **www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain.** If desired, you can call 1-800-827-1000 to get information on where to send comments or suggestions about this form.

INSTRUCTIONS: Print all answers clearly. Make sure you sign and date this form (Items 17 and 18). Note: Unless the claimant is the veteran's surviving spouse, the veteran must sign in Item 17. When you have completed this form, mail it or take it to a VA regional office.

IMPORTANT: If you are certifying that you are married for the purpose of VA benefits, your marriage must be recognized by the place where you and/or your spouse resided at the time of marriage, or where you and/or your spouse resided when you filed your claim (or a later date when you became eligible for benefits) (38 U.S.C. § 103(c)). Additional guidance on when VA recognizes marriages is available at http://www.va.gov/opa/marriage/.

1A. FIRST - MIDDLE - LAST NAME OF VETERAN	2A. NAME OF CLAIMANT *(If other than veteran)*	3. FILE NUMBER
1B. VETERAN'S SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER	2B. CLAIMANT'S SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER	C-

4A. ADDRESS OF CLAIMANT *(No. and street or rural route, city or P.O., State and ZIP Code)*

4B. E-MAIL ADDRESS OF CLAIMANT *(If applicable)*

5A. MARITAL STATUS *(Check one)*	5B. IF MARRIED, SPOUSE'S DATE OF BIRTH
☐ MARRIED ☐ DIVORCED ☐ NEVER MARRIED "*(If checked, skip to Item 14)*" ☐ WIDOWED ☐ SEPARATED	_____ *month day year*

NOTE: You must furnish complete information about all your and your current spouse's previous marriages. If you or your spouse have been married more than three times, list additional marriages in Item 16, "Remarks," or attach a separate sheet.

SECTION I - VETERAN'S MARRIAGES

6. HOW MANY TIMES HAVE YOU BEEN MARRIED? *(Including current marriage)*

7A. DATE AND PLACE OF MARRIAGE *(City,/State or Country)*	7B. TO WHOM MARRIED *(First, middle, last name)*	7C. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER	7D. HOW MARRIAGE TERMINATED *(Death, Divorce)*	7E. DATE AND PLACE TERMINATED *(City/County/State or Country)*
_____ *month day year* Place:				
_____ *month day year* Place:				_____ *month day year* Place:
_____ *month day year* Place:				_____ *month day year* Place:

SECTION II - SPOUSE'S PREVIOUS MARRIAGES

8. HOW MANY TIMES HAS THE VETERAN'S CURRENT SPOUSE OR SURVIVING SPOUSE BEEN MARRIED? *(Including current marriage)*

9A. DATE AND PLACE OF MARRIAGE	9B. TO WHOM MARRIED *(First, middle, last name)*	9C. HOW MARRIAGE TERMINATED *(Death, Divorce)*	9D. DATE AND PLACE TERMINATED
_____ *month day year* Place:			_____ *month day year* Place:
_____ *month day year* Place:			_____ *month day year* Place:
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10A. IS YOUR SPOUSE ALSO A VETERAN? ☐ YES ☐ NO *(If "Yes," answer Item 10B also. If "No," skip to Item 11.)*	10B. WHAT IS YOUR SPOUSE'S VA FILE NUMBER *(If any)*?
11. DO YOU LIVE WITH YOUR SPOUSE? ☐ YES ☐ NO *(If "Yes," skip to Item 14A. If "No, answer Items 12 and 13 also.)*	12. WHAT IS YOUR SPOUSE'S ADDRESS?

13. HOW MUCH DO YOU CONTRIBUTE MONTHLY TO YOUR SPOUSE'S SUPPORT? $

SECTION III - VETERAN'S UNMARRIED CHILDREN

NOTE: If any child is claimed as "seriously disabled" (Item 14H), it must be shown that the child became permanently unable to support him/herself before reaching age 18. Furnish a statement from an attending physician or other medical evidence which shows the nature and extent of the physical or mental impairment.

Note: In Items 14A through 14I, check all boxes that apply.

14A. NAME OF CHILD *(first, middle initial, last)*	14B. DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH *(city, state or country)*	14C. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER	14D. BIO-LOGICAL	14E. ADOPT-ED	14F. STEP-CHILD	14G. 18-23 YRS. OLD AND IN SCHOOL	14H. SERIOUSLY DISABLED	14I. CHILD PREVIOUSLY MARRIED
	_____ mo day yr PLACE:		☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
	_____ mo day yr PLACE:		☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
	_____ mo day yr PLACE:		☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

14J. IF YOU CHECKED "STEPCHILD," IS THE STEPCHILD THE BIOLOGICAL CHILD OF YOUR SPOUSE?   ☐ YES   ☐ NO

Note: If any of the children listed above don't live with you, complete Items 15A through 15C.

15A. NAME OF CHILD *(First, middle initial, last)*	15B. CHILD'S COMPLETE ADDRESS	15C. NAME OF PERSON THE CHILD LIVES WITH *(If applicable)*

16. REMARKS

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT the information I have given above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

17. SIGNATURE OF CLAIMANT *(Claimant, please sign in ink)*	18. DATE	19. TELEPHONE NUMBER(S) *(Include Area Code)*	
		A. DAYTIME	B. NIGHTTIME

PENALTY: The law provides severe penalties which include fine or imprisonment, or both, for the willful submission of any statement or evidence of a material fact, knowing it to be false, or for the fraudulent acceptance of any payment to which you are not entitled.