DOCUMENT ANNOTATION JOB AID

To identify the documents that are associated to the contention(s), and prior to requesting an Examination Scheduling Request (ESR) in the Exam Management System (EMS), the document(s) must be correctly identified by annotating them in the VBMS eFolder. It is essential that the user have the correct Claims associated with both the document(s) and with any annotation and that the applicable contention is identified in order to see the documents available for selection while building the ESR.

Adding Document Annotations for Contentions within VBMS

Step 1: Navigate to the claimants eFolder, click the "Claim Association Tool" in the Tools column next to the document you wish to associate to one or more contention(s). (To identify the claim(s) the document is associated with, view the Tags column.)

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	05/23/2022	05/23/2022	Exam Request Modification	Exam Request	♥		
			Exam Request				

Step 2: Select the claim(s) you need to have the document associated. (Click anywhere to close the Association tool.)



Step 3: Click the paper and pencil icon to open the document annotator.

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Step 4: Once the document annotator has opened, navigate to the specific page that requires the annotation, click the icon. The 'Create Annotation' box will appear.

Create Annotation	
*Title	
-Select a Claim-	
Comment	
Icon Color:	Cancel Save

Step 5: Select a Claim. This will provide the contentions that are on the claim needed for step 6.

Create Annotation	
*Title	
-Select a Claim-	
Icon Color:	Cancel Save

Step 6: Select a contention from the drop-down list.

Create Annotation	
*Title	
600306427 - 020 - New/Increase 🗸	
-Select a Contention-	
-Select a Contention- Left hip arthritis Coronary artery disease Scars, left lower extremity Glaucoma Major depressive disorder TBI	
Icon Color:	Cancel Save



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Step 7: Provide detailed information regarding the reason for the annotation in the comment box section. Then click 'Save'.

Create Annotation		
600306427 - Left hip arthritis - 1		
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Comment		
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Step 8: Once all annotations have been made, you will be able to select the document(s) for each contention while building the ESR.

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Once the documents have been selected, click 'Populate Additional Information' button. The annotation information will be populated unto the 'Additional Information' section of the ESR:

Contention Annotations:									
	Document Type	Subject	Annotation	Document ID	Receipt Date	Page number			
	656	Veterans Lay Statement		3C7368E6-E766-462D-8235-348D8D3249A1	05/18/2022	1			
	656	Veterans Lay Statement	Veteran states left hip pain continued since service. 3C736EE6-E766-462D-8235-348D8D3249A1			1			
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Document Type: VA 27-0820, Subject: Veterans Lay Statement, Annotation: Veteran states left hip pain continued since service. , Document ID: 3C7368E6-E766-462D-8235-348D803249A1, Receipt Date: 06/16/2022, Page number: 1									

