PENSION AND FIDUCIARY Service

PMC VSR Intermediate Core Course

Phase 5: Proficiency Development

Part 6: Award Adjustments Extension

Introduction to Contested Claims

Appendix A

July 2024

Practice Exercise

**Instructions:** Match the term on the left with the correct definition or concept on the right. Place your answers in the **Responses** table below.

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| **Term** | **Definition/Description** |
| 1. Contested Claim 2. Contested Claims Involving Attorney Fees Withholding 3. Elements of a Contested Claim 4. Example of a Contested Claim 5. Protest Against the Other Claimant | 1. This type of claim involves two parties, the claimant and representative 2. Formal claim, and protest against payment to the other claimant 3. A favorable decision on one claim requires the denial of the other claim, or payment of a lesser benefit to the other claimant, and one claimant may contest the allowance or payment of that benefit to the other claimant. 4. A claimant is asserting their own entitlement 5. Two people claim to be a Veteran’s surviving spouse |

**Responses:**

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| 1. Contested Claim |  |
| 1. Contested Claims Involving Attorney Fees Withholding |  |
| 1. Elements of a Contested Claim |  |
| 1. Example of a Contested Claim |  |
| 1. Protest Against the Other Claimant |  |