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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

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VA Claims and Appeals Modernization

AGENCY: Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notification of effective date.

SUMMARY: The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is providing notice that the effective date of the new VA appeals system, outlined in the Veterans Appeals Improvement and Modernization Act of 2017 (AMA), is February 19, 2019.

DATES: The effective date of the new VA appeals system is February 19, 2019.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 2(x)(6) of the Veterans Appeals Improvement and Modernization Act of 2017 (AMA), the Department of

Veterans Affairs (VA) is providing notice that the effective date of the new VA appeals system is February 19, 2019. The Secretary of Veterans Affairs transmitted to Congress the certification required under AMA section 2(x)(1) on January 18, 2019. On that same date, the final rule setting forth the implementing regulations was published in the Federal Register. 84 FR 138 (Jan. 18, 2019). Because the thirtieth day from January 18, 2019, falls on a non-business day, the effective date was set on the next business day of February 19, 2019.

Dated: February 4, 2019.

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