UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR VETERANS CLAIMS

Notice of Appeal

The following named appellant appeals to the Court from a final Board of Veterans' Appeals (BVA) decision. The BVA's decision was dated ______.

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Appellant's address

VA claims file number

Appellant's telephone number

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