

Assigning Power of Attorney and/or Filing a Claim using eBenefits

In order to successfully secure representation by the Disabled American Veterans, file an electronic claim, check the status of a pending claim or upload additional evidence - please visit the VA web-site of **eBenefits** (www.ebenefits.va.gov).

Available electronic forms: VAF 21-22 (Request for Representative), VAF 21-526EZ (Application for Benefits), VAF 21-686c (Dependency Allowance), VAF 21-8940 (Individual Unemployability) and Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Stressor Statement.

Once enrolled, or already enrolled in eBenefits, forms may be located by placing your mouse over “Apply for Benefits” which is located in top left corner, click “Disability Compensation Benefits”; this will bring the claimant to “Start of the New Application(s)”.

Note: During the process of completing VAF 21-22 (Request for Representative) eBenefits will ask the question: what is your insurance number? We found it better if the claimant does not complete this section by clicking “I do not know” - click next window to bypass. Subsequently, this will lead to the next window of **Limitation of Consent** which is very important. The claimant must click the radio button **Yes; I authorize the VA** and NOT No - click save. The next window will ask the claimant if he/she gives Power of Attorney authorization to change his/her address the claimant must click **Yes** - save and continue.

When the process is complete the last window will reflect TWO green check marks indicating there were no errors detected and no warnings identified in his/her information- save and continue. This leads to validation, save and continue. The final stage will ask the claimant to accept these terms and conditions. Click the blue submit button “I accept”. If additional forms are needed - repeat the same process.

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