

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

(Do not write in this space)

NAME OF CLAIMANT		NAME OF WAGE EARNER OR SELF-EMPLOYED PERSON <i>(If different from claimant.)</i>
CLAIMANT SSN	CLAIMANT CLAIM NUMBER <i>(If different from SSN)</i>	SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME (SSI) OR SPECIAL VETERANS BENEFITS (SVB) CLAIM NUMBER
SPOUSE'S NAME <i>(Complete ONLY in SSI cases)</i>		SPOUSE'S SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER <i>(Complete ONLY in SSI cases)</i>

CLAIM FOR *(Specify type, e.g., retirement, disability, hospital/medical, SSI, SVB, etc.)*

I do not agree with the determination made on the above claim and request reconsideration. My reasons are:

SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME OR SPECIAL VETERANS BENEFITS RECONSIDERATION ONLY
(See the three ways to appeal in the How To Appeal Your Supplemental Security Income (SSI) Or Special Veterans Benefit (SVB) Decision instructions.)
"I want to appeal your decision about my claim for Supplemental Security Income (SSI) or Special Veterans Benefits (SVB). I've read about the three ways to appeal. I've checked the box below."

- Case Review
 Informal Conference
 Formal Conference

EITHER THE CLAIMANT OR REPRESENTATIVE SHOULD SIGN - ENTER ADDRESSES FOR BOTH

I declare under penalty of perjury that I have examined all the information on this form, and on any accompanying statements or forms, and it is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

CLAIMANT SIGNATURE			SIGNATURE OR NAME OF CLAIMANT'S REPRESENTATIVE <input type="checkbox"/> NON-ATTORNEY <input type="checkbox"/> ATTORNEY		
MAILING ADDRESS			MAILING ADDRESS		
CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE
TELEPHONE NUMBER <i>(Include area code)</i> () -		DATE	TELEPHONE NUMBER <i>(Include area code)</i> () -		DATE

TO BE COMPLETED BY SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

See list of initial determinations

1. HAS INITIAL DETERMINATION BEEN MADE? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	2. CLAIMANT INSISTS ON FILING <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
3. IS THIS REQUEST FILED TIMELY? <i>(If "NO", attach claimant's explanation for delay and attach any pertinent letter, material, or information in Social Security office.)</i> <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	

RETIREMENT AND SURVIVORS RECONSIDERATIONS ONLY (CHECK ONE) REFER TO (GN 03102.125) <input type="checkbox"/> NO FURTHER DEVELOPMENT REQUIRED (GN 03102.300) <input type="checkbox"/> REQUIRED DEVELOPMENT ATTACHED <input type="checkbox"/> REQUIRED DEVELOPMENT PENDING, WILL FORWARD OR ADVISE STATUS WITHIN 30 DAYS	SOCIAL SECURITY OFFICE ADDRESS
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ROUTING INSTRUCTIONS (CHECK ONE) →	<input type="checkbox"/> DISABILITY DETERMINATION SERVICES (ROUTE WITH DISABILITY FOLDER)	<input type="checkbox"/> PROGRAM SERVICE CENTER	<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT OFFICE RECONSIDERATION
	<input type="checkbox"/> ODO, BALTIMORE	<input type="checkbox"/> OIO, BALTIMORE	<input type="checkbox"/> CENTRAL PROCESSING SITE (SVB)

NOTE: Take or mail the **signed original** to your local Social Security office, the Veterans Affairs Regional Office in Manila or any U.S. Foreign Service post and keep a copy for your records.

HOW TO APPEAL YOUR SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME (SSI) OR SPECIAL VETERANS BENEFIT (SVB) DECISION

There are three different ways to appeal. You can pick the appeal that fits your case. You can have a lawyer, friend, or someone else help you with your appeal.

Here are the three ways to appeal:

1. CASE REVIEW:

You can give us more facts to add to your file. Then we'll decide your case again. You don't meet with the person who decides your case.

You can pick this kind of appeal in all cases.

2. INFORMAL CONFERENCE:

You'll meet with the person who will decide your case. You can tell that person why you think you're right. You can give us more facts to help prove you're right. You can bring other people to help explain your case.

You can pick this kind of appeal in all SSI cases *except* two. You can't have it if we turned down your SSI application for medical reasons or because you're not blind. Also you can't have it if we're giving you SSI but you disagree with the date we said you became blind or disabled. In SVB cases, you can pick this kind of appeal only if we're stopping or lowering your SVB payment.

3. FORMAL CONFERENCE:

This is a meeting like an informal conference. Plus, we can make people come to help prove you're right. We can do this even if they don't want to help you. You can question these people at your meeting.

You can pick this kind of appeal only if we're stopping or lowering your SSI or SVB payment. You can't get it in any other case.

Now you know the three kinds of appeals. You can pick the one that fits your case. Then fill out this form. We'll help you fill it out.

There are groups that can help you with your appeal. Some can give you a free lawyer. We can give you the names of these groups.

NOTE: DON'T FILL OUT THIS FORM IF WE SAID WE'LL STOP YOUR DISABILITY CHECK FOR MEDICAL REASONS OR BECAUSE YOU'RE NO LONGER BLIND. WE'LL GIVE YOU THE RIGHT FORM (SSA-789-U4) FOR YOUR APPEAL.

The information on this form is authorized by regulation (20 CFR 404.907 - 404.921 and 416.1407 - 416.1421) and Public Law 106-169 (section 809(a)(1) of section 251(a)). While your response to these questions is voluntary, the Social Security Administration cannot reconsider the decision on this claim unless the information is furnished.

Privacy Act Statement

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Section 205(a), of the Social Security Act as amended, [42 U.S.C. 405(a)] and Title 20 C.F.R. 404.907 - 404.922 and 416.1407 - 416.1422 authorize us to collect this information. We will use the information you provide to help us determine your entitlement to benefits. The information you provide on this form is voluntary. However, we cannot reconsider the decision on your claim unless you furnish this information.

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1. To enable a third party or an agency to assist Social Security in establishing rights to Social Security benefits and/or coverage;
2. To comply with Federal laws requiring the release of information for Social Security records (e.g., to the Government Accountability Office, General Services Administration, National Archives Records Administration, and the Department of Veterans Affairs);
3. To make determinations for eligibility in similar health and income maintenance programs at the Federal, State, and local level; and
4. To facilitate statistical research, audit or investigative activities necessary to assure the integrity of Social Security programs.

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A complete list of routine uses for this information is available in our System of Records Notice entitled Claims Folder System 60-0089. The notice, additional information regarding this form, and information regarding our systems and programs, are available on-line at www.socialsecurity.gov or at any local Social Security office.

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