

Dr, Kincaid, Medical Consultant

On examination at discharge the following defects were noted:

History duodenal Ulcer 1943- 1945

Eyes: Right 5/20 corrected to 12/20 by lens

Left 5/20 corrected to 14/20 by lens

Defects conjunctivitis chronic, mild, bilateral

Teeth 1, 16, 17, 32 missing

Spine and extremities: Pain on lateral rotation and abduction of right shoulder, right joint tender, hip joint tender duodenal ulcer.

On February 13, 1946 the Veterans Administration received 526 Claim for the following disabilities:

Duodenal ulcer; pains in side, headaches, eyes rheumatism (Reiters disease), left knee sprain; conjunctivitis, active; arthritis right hip and shoulder; malaria recurrent.

On February 13, 1946 the Veterans Administration assigned the following rating based on evidence of record at that time

10% from February 17, 1946 for duodenal ulcer

0% from February 17, 1946 for malaria

0% from February 17, 1947 for conjunctivitis VOD 12/20 VOS 14/20

NN sprain left knee; arthritis, right hip and shoulder

"BOARD NOTE"

Sporadic pain, left side, back, right shoulder, was shown on terminal examination. This condition was purely subjective and not a disease or injury within the meaning of the law.

On August 12, 1946, the Veterans Administration receive a letter from the Veteran expressing dissatisfaction with award, and his intention of Appealing the decision, also a medical statement from G. J. Walsh, M.D. (SEE EXHIBT "A")

On September 19, 1946, veteran was examined by the Veterans Administration at Los Angeles, at which time the following diagnosis was made:

Calcified brusitis sub deltoid

Hypertrophic Arthritis both ankels

Miminal duodenal deformity without ulcer crator formation

No Board action was taken on this examination as it was not complete.

On January 30, 1948 the veteran was again examined at Birmingham General Hospital, Van Nuys, California and the following diagnosis was made:

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Arthritis, hypertrophic chronic, thoracic vertebra, cause undetermined

No disease of duodenal ulcer found at this time, although history is suggestive and old x-rays should be reviewed.

No disease of genitor-urinary system found

Myositis, chronic recurrent doros muscels back

Astigmatism myopic and blepharoconjunctivitis, chronic

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Right 20/60-left 20/70, corrected to 20/20 bilateral.

On February 12, 1947, the Rating Board assigned the following Rating based on the two Veterans Administration examinations and letter from Dr. Walsh:

- 7305 10% from February 17, 1946 for duodenal ulcer
- 5019 10% from February 17, 1946 for brusitis, calcified, right shoulder
- 5003 10% from February 17, 1946 to December 10, 1947
20% from December 12, 1947 for arthritis, hypertrophic multiple joints, right hip, dorsel spine and ankles with recurrent dorsal myositis
- 6018 10% from February 11, 1947 for blepharo-conjunctivitis, chronid bilateral
0% from February 17, 1947 for malaria
Sprain, left knee not shown by evidence of record
- Combined 30% from February 17, 1947 to December 10, 1947
40% from December 12, 1947

"Board Remarks" Rating of February 13, 1946, is amended and suspended to allow service connection and compensable rating for infection of eyes, brusitis, right shoulder, and arthritis multiple joints all of which conditions were noted in service, and shown to be present by Veterans Administration examination of September 19, 1946 and February 12, 1947, which demonstrate increased back disability not previously shown

Trusting this review will be of help to you in representing the veteran's claim before the Navy Review Board.

Yours in comradeship,

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