

Post Service Officer (PSO) Report

DATE OF REPORT July 3, 2021

| FOR THE MONTH OF: June 2021 | This Report | Year Total |
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| NUMBER OF CLAIMS REFERRED TO VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER (VSO): | 1 | 1 |
| NUMBER OF INTERVIEWS WITH CLAIMANTS (PSO): | 1 | 2 |
| VETERANS BENEFITS: | 0 | 0 |
| HEALTH CARE BENEFITS: | 0 | 1 |
| DISABILITY CLAIMS: | 1 | 1 |
| SURVIVORS BENEFITS: | 0 | 0 |
| THE APPEALS PROCEDURE: | 0 | 0 |
| EDUCATION and TRAINING: | 0 | 0 |
| LIFE INSURANCE: | 0 | 0 |
| BURIAL BENEFITS: | 0 | 0 |
| HOME LOAN VA: | 0 | 0 |
| HOMELESS HELP: | 0 | 0 |
| NUMBER OF HOURS DEVOTED TO SERVICE OFFICER WORK THIS REPORT: | 5 Hr. | 15 Hr. |
| NUMBER OF MILES TRAVELED THIS REPORT: | 50 | 150 Miles |
| ESTIMATED PERSONAL EXPENSES THIS REPORT: | \$00.0 | \$23.39 |
| AMOUNT COVERED BY POST FUNDS THIS REPORT: | \$00.0 | \$00.0 |
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DETAILS OF ASSISTANCE PROVIDED TO VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES:

1. Provided information for help with Disability Claim with Horry County Veterans Service Officer (VSO).

OTHER:

1. There will be a Horry County VSO at the Myrtle Beach VA Center 1 day a week for walk-ins starting June 16, 2021.

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CC: POST ADJUTANT and POST COMMANDERS

Watch out for "CLAIM SHARKS"

The first question you should ask any company/organization or person is, 'Are you accredited with the Department of the Veterans Affairs?'"

You should always work with someone who is VA-accredited.

Make sure you find any organization, agent or attorney that is accredited.

Remember the American Legion, VFW, DAV and other Service Organization whether you're a member or not, you can expect to receive a full claims assistance service – Free of Charge –

Claims for "Gulf War illness"

Under current law, veterans who served in Southwest Asia only have through Dec 31 to submit a VA disability claim, symptoms such as, but not limited to chronic fatigue syndrome, headaches, muscle, and joint pain.

A bill was introduced in the Senate in March to improve and expand access to benefits, if signed into law the bill would expand the "definition" of a Persian Gulf veteran

Additionally, since Gulf War Illness is difficult to identify the bill would create a single Gulf War Disability Benefits Questionnaire to help VA medical examiners for Gulf War disability claims.