



THE SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
WASHINGTON

March 23, 2022

**MEMORANDUM FOR UNDER SECRETARIES, ASSISTANT SECRETARIES AND
OTHER KEY OFFICIALS**

SUBJECT: Designation of Authority to Approve the Use of the Official Seal, Replicas, Reproductions and Embossed Seals (VIEWS 6734333)

1. DESIGNATION. Under the authority vested in me as Secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) and pursuant to 38 C.F.R. § 1.9, the following individuals are designated with authority to affix the official VA seal, replicas, reproductions and embossed seals to challenge coins in accordance with the authorities below: the Under Secretaries, Assistant Secretaries and Other Key Officials of equivalent authority.

2. AUTHORITIES.

- a. [38 C.F.R. § 1.9](#), Description, use and display of VA seal and flag;
- b. [VA Directive 0000](#), Designation of Authority;
- c. [VA Directive 0023](#), Tier 1 Graphic Standards;
- d. [VA Handbook 0023](#), Tier 1 Graphic Standards, Appendix A; and
- e. [VA Financial Policy, Volume II, Chapter 4](#).

3. RESTRICTIONS. Authority to approve the use of the official seal for any purpose other than challenge coins is excluded from this designation of authority and remains under the authority of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

4. REDESIGNATION. No further designation is authorized.

5. EFFECTIVE DATE. This designation is effective upon signature and remains in effect for four years unless otherwise modified or rescinded by me at an earlier date.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "DMcDonough".

Denis McDonough