



**THE SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
WASHINGTON**

July 5, 2017

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

1. **DELEGATIONS UNDER 38 U.S.C. § 713.** The delegations of authority under the provisions of 38 U.S.C § 713 are as follows:
 - a. Proposing Official-Supervisor, who is one supervisory level below the Under Secretary or Assistant Secretary, or is otherwise delegated such authority by the Secretary.
 - b. Deciding Official-Under Secretary, Assistant Secretary, or other individual delegated such authority by the Secretary.
 - c. Grievance Official-Under Secretary, Assistant Secretary, or other individual delegated such authority by the Secretary, but such individual may not have served as either the Proposing or Deciding Official.
2. **DELEGATIONS UNDER 38 U.S.C. § 714:** For suspensions, demotions, and removals taken under this authority, the Proposing Officials and Deciding Officials outlined in VA Directive and Handbook 5021 will apply.
3. **AUTHORITY.** 38 U.S.C. §§ 512, 713, 714.
4. **RESTRICTIONS.** None.
5. **REDELEGATION.** Redlegation for actions under 38 U.S.C. § 714 is permitted in accordance with the limitations imposed in VA Directive and Handbook 5021.
6. **RESCISSIONS.** The following delegations are rescinded:
 - a. Delegation of Authority to Make Determinations on "No Action" Recommendations Regarding Senior Executive and Title 38 Senior Executive Equivalent Employees, dated August 28, 2014.
 - b. Delegation of Authority to Approve Removals and Transfers of Senior Executives and Title 38 Senior Executive Equivalent Employees, dated August 28, 2014.
 - c. Delegation of Authority to Make Determinations on Proposed Personnel Actions Based on Conduct or Performance of Senior Executive Service or Title 38 Equivalent Senior Executive Employees, dated July 20, 2016.
 - d. Delegation of Authority – Designation of Proposing and Deciding Officials, dated July 26, 2016.

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e. Tab A, paragraphs g.2.d., to Revised Charter for Office of Accountability Review, dated September 20, 2016.

7. **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This delegation is effective upon signature and expires 2 years after the date delegated.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "David J. Shulkin, M.D." The signature is written in a cursive style with a large "D" and "S".

David J. Shulkin, M.D.