

# United States Office of Personnel Management

Retirement Surveys and Students Branch 1900 E Street, NW, Room 2309 Washington, DC 20415-3562

Case Name	Claim Number
	Date

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## **Marital Status Certification Survey**

You MUST complete and return this form within 30 days after the date shown above. The form MUST be signed and dated. Please also provide your daytime telephone number.

Please read the back of this form before completing. Check only the item that applies to you. Please enter the month, day, and year in the space provided.		
I have never remarried.		
I remarried before I reached age 55 (this includes civil, religious and common law marriages).  The date of my remarriage is		Date (mm/dd/yyyy)
I remarried before I reached age 55. However, I was married to the person named above for a full 30 years before his/her date of death. We were married on		a Date (mm/dd/yyyy) ►
I remarried before I reached age 55 and this is my first time notifying OPM. This marriage has since ended. The dates my remarriage began and ended are indicated below. <i>Please provide a copy of the document showing the date the marriage ended by death, divorce, or annulment.</i>		
Date of remarriage (mm/dd/yyyy)	Date the marriage ended (mm/dd/yyyy)	
<b>WARNING:</b> We may verify your marital status through a computer match with other Federal agencies. Any intentionally false or misleading statement, certification, or response you provide is a violation of the law punishable by a fine of not more than \$10,000 or imprisonment of not more than 5 years, or both (18 USC 1001).		
I certify that all information provided on this form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.		
Signature		ate (mm/dd/yyyy)
Daytime telephone number	Email address	
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### Who Needs To Complete This Form?

You must complete and return this form in the envelope enclosed or complete the survey on-line or fax your response.

We contact you periodically to remind you of the eligibility requirements for you to continue receiving a survivor annuity. By law, you may continue receiving this annuity only as long as you do not remarry before your 55th birthday unless you were married to the decedent for at least 30 years before his or her death. If you remarried and that marriage ended, please provide a copy of the document showing the date the marriage ended by death, divorce or annulment. You are responsible for notifying us immediately of your remarriage. Failure to notify us immediately will result in an overpayment of annuity. You will be held liable for all annuity paid to you after the remarriage.

#### How to Respond to This Survey

You may:

- return this form to OPM in the enclosed return envelope, or
- fax this form to (202) 606-0022 or (202) 606-2879.

The mailing address for Retirement Surveys and Student Branch is shown on the front of this survey form.

#### Information On Common Law (Mutual Consent Marriage)

If you live in a state that recognizes a common law (mutual consent) marriage, we must treat it the same as a marriage by a civil or religious ceremony.

#### Need Help?

If you need help, please contact our Washington DC office at **(202) 606-0249** or write to us at the address on the front of this survey form. For general questions you can contact our Retirement Information Office toll free at 1-888-767-6738 from 7:30 AM to 7:45 PM, Eastern Time.

#### **Privacy Act and Public Burden Statement**

Information you furnish will be used to determine your eligibility to continue receiving survivor annuity payments. Information may be shared and is subject to verification, via paper, electronic media, or through the use of computer matching programs, with national, state, local, or other benefit paying agencies in order to determine and issue benefits under their programs, to obtain information necessary for continuation of benefits under this program, or to report income for tax purposes. It may also be shared and verified, as noted above, with law enforcement agencies when they are investigating a violation or potential violation of civil or criminal law. Solicitation of this information is authorized by the Civil Service Retirement Law (Chapter 83, title 5 U.S. Code) and the Federal Employees' Retirement Law (Chapter 84, title 5 U.S. Code). Failure to furnish the requested information may cause an overpayment of annuity. We will have to collect any overpayment from you.

We estimate that providing this information takes an average 15 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, getting the needed data, and reviewing the requested information. Send comments regarding our estimate or any other aspect of this form, including suggestions for reducing completion time, to the United States Office of Personnel Management (OPM), Retirement Services Publications Team (3206-0033), Washington, DC 20415-3430. The OMB number, 3206-0033, is currently valid. OPM may not collect this information, and you are not required to respond, unless this number is displayed.