

Waiver of Right to Appear - Disability Hearing

(DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE)

Name of Claimant

Name of Wage Earner or Self-Employed

Social Security Number

(COMPLETE **ONLY** IN SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME CASE)

Name of Spouse

Social Security Number

Type
of
Benefit

Disability

SSI

Worker

Widow/
Widower

Child

Disability

Blind

Child

Name of Representative, if any

Representative Address

Telephone Number (Include Area Code)

I have been advised of my right to have a disability hearing. I understand that a hearing will give me an opportunity to present witnesses and explain in detail to the disability hearing officer, who will decide my case, the reasons why my disability benefits should not end. I understand that this opportunity to be seen and heard could be effective in explaining the facts in my case, since the disability hearing officer would give me an opportunity to present and question witnesses and explain how my impairments prevent me from working and restrict my activities. I have been given an explanation of my right to representation, including representation at a hearing by an attorney or other person of my choice. Although the above has been explained to me, I do not want to appear at a disability hearing, or have someone represent me at a disability hearing. I prefer to have the disability hearing officer decide my case on the evidence of record plus any evidence which I may submit or which may be obtained by the Social Security Administration. I have been advised that if I change my mind, I can request a hearing prior to the writing of a decision in my case. In this event, I can make the request with any Social Security office.

Signature (First Name, Middle Initial, Last Name) (Write in ink)

Date (Month, Day, Year)

Telephone Number (Include Area Code)

Mailing Address (Number and Street, Apt. No., P.O. Box, or Rural Route)

City and State

ZIP Code

Witnesses are required **ONLY** if this form has been signed by mark (X) above. If signed by mark (X), two witnesses to the signing who know the person requesting reconsideration must sign below, giving their full addresses.

1. Signature of Witness

2. Signature of Witness

Address (Number and Street, City, State, ZIP Code)

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Privacy Act Statement Collection and Use of Privacy Information

Sections 205(a) and (b) and 1631(e)(1)(A) and (B) of the Social Security Act, as amended, allow us to collect this information. Furnishing us this information is voluntary. However, failing to provide all or part of the information may prevent an accurate and timely decision on your waiver request.

We will use the information you provide to acknowledge your decision to waive the right to a disability hearing and to determine your waiver eligibility. We may also share the information for the following purposes, called routine uses:

- To contractors and other Federal Agencies, as necessary, for the purpose of assisting us in the efficient administration of our programs. We will disclose information under this routine use only in situations in which we may enter into a contractual or similar agreement to obtain assistance in accomplishing an SSA function relating to this system of records; and
- To student volunteers, individuals working under a personal services contract, and other workers who technically do not have the status of Federal Employees, when they are performing work for us, as authorized by law, and they need access to personally identifiable information (PII) in our records in order to perform their assigned agency functions.

In addition, we may share this information in accordance with the Privacy Act and other Federal laws. For example, where authorized, we may use and disclose this information in computer matching programs, in which our records are compared with other records to establish or verify a person's eligibility for Federal benefit programs and for repayment of incorrect or delinquent debts under these programs.

A list of additional routine uses is available in our Privacy Act System of Records Notices (SORN) 60-0005, entitled Administrative Law Judge Working File on Claimant Cases, as published in the Federal Register (FR) on April 29, 2009, at 74 FR 19617; and 60-0089, entitled Claims Folders Systems, as published in the FR on October 31, 2019, at 84 FR 58422. Additional information, and a full listing of all our SORNs, is available on our website at www.ssa.gov/privacy.

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