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**In the Supreme Court of the United States**

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MICHAEL B. YOURKO,

*Petitioner,*

v.

LEE ANN B. YOURKO,

*Respondent.*

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ON PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI  
TO THE VIRGINIA SUPREME COURT

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**PETITIONER'S MOTION TO PROCEED  
AS A VETERAN**

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The Petitioner asks for leave to file without prepayment of fees or costs and files this motion to proceed as a veteran per Supreme Court Rule 40.

I, MICHAEL B. YOURKO, am the Petitioner in the above-entitled case. In support of my motion for leave to proceed as a veteran, I state that I am a disabled veteran proceeding under the provisions of law exempting me as such from payment of fees or court costs or furnishing security.

I may file this motion for leave to proceed on papers prepared as required by Rule 33.2 and I believe I am entitled to redress.

I declare that I am a disabled veteran and attach a true copy of my Summary of Benefits letter promulgated to me from the Department of Veterans Affairs and dated November 27, 2023.

A copy of this motion shall precede and be attached to each copy of my petition for writ of certiorari or other substantive document filed.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

/s/ Michael B. Yourko

Executed on: November 27, 2023



## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

November 27, 2023

Michael Brandon Yourko  
[REDACTED]

Dear Michael Yourko:

This letter is a summary of benefits you currently receive from the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). We are providing this letter to disabled Veterans to use in applying for benefits such as state or local property or vehicle tax relief, civil service preference, to obtain housing entitlements, free or reduced state park annual memberships, or any other program or entitlement in which verification of VA benefits is required. Please safeguard this important document. This letter is considered an official record of your VA entitlement.

Our records contain the following information:

### Personal Claim Information

Your VA claim number is: [REDACTED]

You are the Veteran.

### Military Information

Your most recent, verified periods of service (up to three) include:

| Branch of Service | Character of Service | Entered Active Duty | Released/Discharged |
|-------------------|----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Army              | Honorable            | September 23, 2001  | February 09, 2010   |
| Army              | Honorable            | June 14, 2013       | September 25, 2014  |
| Army              | Honorable            | September 26, 2014  | December 16, 2016   |

(There may be additional periods of service not listed above.)

### VA Benefit Information

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| You have one or more service-connected disabilities:   | Yes |
| Your combined service-connected evaluation is:   | 80% |
| You are considered to be totally and permanently disabled due solely to your service-connected disabilities: | No  |

You should contact your state or local office of Veterans' affairs for information on any tax, license, or fee-related benefits for which you may be eligible. State offices of Veterans' affairs are available at <http://www.va.gov/statedva.htm>.

## How You Can Contact Us

- If you need general information about benefits and eligibility, please visit us at <https://www.va.gov>.
- Call us at 1-800-827-1000.
- Contact us using Telecommunications Relay Services (TTY) at 711 24/7.
- Send electronic inquiries through the Internet at <https://www.va.gov/contact-us>.

Sincerely Yours,

**Regional Office Director**

[Redacted Signature]