#### Department of Veterans Affairs M21-1MR, Part I, Chapter 5

**Veterans Benefits Administration September 22, 2014**

**Washington, DC 20420**

#### Transmittal Sheet

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| Changes Included in This Revision | The table below describes the changes included in this revision of Veterans Benefits Manual M21-1MR, Part I, “Claimants Rights and Responsibilities,” Chapter 5, “Appeals.”  ***Notes***:  Minor editorial changes have also been made to   * update incorrect or obsolete hyperlink references * reassign alphabetical designations to individual blocks, where necessary, to account for new and/or deleted blocks within a topic * update section and topic titles to more accurately reflect their content * repaginate a section or chapter * clarify block labels and/or block text, and * bring the documents into conformance with M21-1MR standards. |

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| Reason(s) for the Change | Citation | Page(s) |
| To add a reference to guidance on clear and unmistakable errors (CUEs). | Part I, Chapter 5, Section C, Topic 12, Block e (I.5.C.12.e) | 5-C-9 |
| To clarify the policy for Decision Review Officer (DRO) participation in hearing requests and add reference to revised I.4.1. | I.5.C.12.f | 5-C-9 |
| To replace sample form with the new Appeals Satisfaction Notice. | I.5.C.17 | 5-C-22 |
| To delete I.5.C.13.f as CUE signature procedures have now been relocated to III.iv.2.B.7. | -- | -- |

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