#### Department of Veterans Affairs M21-1, Part III

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**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 M21-1, Part III, “General Claims Process”, Subpart ii, “Initial Screening and Determining Veterans Status”.  ***Notes***:   * The term “regional office” (RO) also includes pension management center (PMC), where appropriate. * Unless otherwise noted, the term “claims folder” refers to the official, numbered, Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) repository – whether paper or electronic – for all documentation relating to claims that a Veteran and/or his/her survivors file with VA. |

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| Reason(s) for the Change | Citation |
| To move Section G of M21-1, Part III, Subpart ii, 5.G on Transfer of Folders Subject to Review by the U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims (CAVC) to a new Section H in the same chapter. | M21-1, Part III, Subpart ii, Chapter 5, Section G  (III.ii.5.G) |
| To create a new section containing information and procedures for transferring electronic claims and/or electronic folders (eFolders). | III.ii.5.G |
| To create a new Topic 1 on Transferring Out Electronic Claims and eFolders. | III.ii.5.G.1 |
| To create a new Topic 2 on Transferring In of Electronic Claims and eFolders. | III.ii.5.G.2 |

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