#### Department of Veterans Affairs M29-1, Part 4, Chapter 7

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#### Key Changes

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| Changes Included in This Revision | The table below describes the changes included in this revision of Veterans Benefits Insurance Manual M29-1, Part 4, Chapter 7, Procedures If A Veteran/Claimant Disagrees with a Benefit Decision.*Notes*: * **M29-1, Part 4, Chapter 7** has been rewritten in its entirety for the purpose of improving clarity and readability. Any substantive changes are itemized in the table below.
* Minor editorial changes have also been made to
* improve clarity and readability
* add references
* update incorrect or obsolete references
* update obsolete terminology, where appropriate
* reorganize/relocate content within **M29-1, Part 4, Chapter 7** so that it flows more logically
* reassign alphabetical designations to individual blocks, where necessary, to account for new and/or deleted blocks within a topic
* update the labels of individual blocks and the titles of sections and topics to more accurately reflect their content, and
* bring the document into conformance with M29-1 standards.
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| Reason(s) for Notable Change | Citation |
| Revised entire Chapter 7 to comply with “The Veterans Appeals Improvement & Modernization Act of 2017 (PL 115-55)”, also known as the Appeals Modernization Act, | Prior Subchapters 7.01-7.12, New Subchapter 7.01-7.07 |
| Removed Figure 7.01 Statement of the Case as no longer applicable with new legally required appeals procedures | Figure 7.01 |
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