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| Decision | Decision date | Grounds of appeal |
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|  2022/1 [PDF, 413 KB] https://www.veteransaffairs.mil.nz/assets/VEAB/Appeal-2022-1-High-Court-Decision.pdf (High Court decision) | 20 July 2023 | Decision of the High Court. |
|  2022/1 [PDF, 209 KB] https://www.veteransaffairs.mil.nz/assets/VEAB/Appeal-2022-1-Final.pdf (final) | 14 July 2022 | Substantive decision for appeal against a decision to decline Malignant Neoplasm of the Brain (Glioblastoma) as a service-related condition under the Veterans' Support Act 2014. |
|  2022/1 [PDF, 202 KB] https://www.veteransaffairs.mil.nz/assets/VEAB/Appeal-2022-1.pdf (preliminary) | 27 April 2022 | Preliminary decision for appeal against a decision decline Malignant Neoplasm of the Brain (Glioblastoma) as a service-related condition under the Veterans' Support Act 2014. |
|  2021/1 [PDF, 200 KB] https://www.veteransaffairs.mil.nz/assets/VEAB/Appeal-2021-1.pdf | 10 December 2021 | Appeal against a decision to decline to accept peripheral neuropathy as service-related under the Veterans' Support Act 2014. |
|  2021/3 [PDF, 243 KB] https://www.veteransaffairs.mil.nz/assets/VEAB/Appeal-2021-3.pdf | 28 October 2021 | Appeal against a decision to cease a temporary disablement pension and award a permanent disablement pension of 5% for Prostate Cancer and of 20% for Ischaemic Heart Disease, and award a total |

| Decision | Decision date | combined whole-person impairment recalculation of 60%. This decision is currently the subject of an appeal to the High Court |
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|  2021/4 [PDF, 162 KB] https://www.veteransaffairs.mil.nz/assets/VEAB/VEAB-Appeal-2021-4.pdf | 20 October 2021 | Appeal against a decision to decline to accept Malignant Neoplasm of the Colo-Rectum as service-related under the Veterans' Support Act 2014. |
|  2021/2 [PDF, 186 KB] https://www.veteransaffairs.mil.nz/assets/VEAB/Appeal-2021-2.pdf | 17 September 2021 | Appeal against a decision declining to accept Dental Caries (reclassified as Dental Decay) as service-related under the Veterans' Support Act 2014. |
|  2020/9 [PDF, 217 KB] https://www.veteransaffairs.mil.nz/assets/VEAB/Appeal-2020-9.pdf | 3 September 2021 | Appeal against a decision declining to increase the impairment percentage for the service-related condition of Lumbar Spondylosis. |
|  2020/7 [PDF, 202 KB] https://www.veteransaffairs.mil.nz/assets/VEAB/Appeal-2020-7.pdf | 20 April 2021 | Appeal against a decision declining cover for osteoarthritis right shoulder as service-related under the Veterans' Support Act 2014. |
|  2020/5 [PDF, 286 KB] https://www.veteransaffairs.mil.nz/assets/VEAB/Appeal-2020-5.pdf | 31 March 2021 | Appeal against a decision declining cover for malignant neoplasm of the prostate as service-related under the Veterans' Support Act 2014. |
|  2020/2 [PDF, 156 KB] https://www.veteransaffairs.mil.nz/assets/VEAB/Appeal-2020-2.pdf | 21 December 2020 | Appeal against a decision declining to accept Loss of Teeth as service-related. |
|  2019/4 [PDF, 203 KB] https://www.veteransaffairs.mil.nz/assets/VEAB/Appeal-2019-4.pdf | 12 November 2020 | Appeal against a decision declining to accept Osteoarthritis Right Knee as service-related. |
|  2019/5 [PDF, 150 KB] https://www.veteransaffairs.mil.nz/assets/VEAB/Appeal-2019-5.pdf | 3 July 2020 | Appeal against a decision granting entitlements under Scheme Two of the Veterans' Support Act 2014. |

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| <p> 2019/1 [PDF, 291 KB] (https://www.veteransaffairs.mil.nz/assets/VEAB/a6a96baad0/Appeal-2019-1.pdf)</p> | <p>23 October 2019</p> | <p>Appeal against decision to decline to accept Oesophageal Cancer as this was not considered to be service related and decline lump sum payment for terminal condition.</p> |
| <p> 2017/5 [PDF, 281 KB] (https://www.veteransaffairs.mil.nz/assets/VEAB/c988ee903f/Appeal-2017-5.pdf)</p> | <p>1 October 2018</p> | <p>Appeal against a decision declining to accept Asthma as being service-related.</p> |
| <p> 2017/3 [PDF, 308 KB] (https://www.veteransaffairs.mil.nz/assets/VEAB/96fbd34b1f/Appeal-2017-3.pdf)</p> | <p>22 June 2018</p> | <p>Appeal against a decision declining to accept Cervical Spondylosis, Lumbar Spondylosis, Osteoarthritis Right Knee, and Osteoarthritis Right Ankle as being service related.</p> |
| <p> 2017/1 [PDF, 190 KB] (https://www.veteransaffairs.mil.nz/assets/VEAB/4fd9a7b0a0/Appeal-2017-1.pdf)</p> | <p>5 March 2018</p> | <p>Appeal against a decision to decline the condition of Prostate Cancer as being service-related, and to award a permanent pension of 5% for Non-Melanotic Neoplasm of the Skin.</p> |
| <p> 2016/14 [PDF, 254 KB] (https://www.veteransaffairs.mil.nz/assets/VEAB/8b4b35f600/Appeal-2016-14.pdf)</p> | <p>20 March 2018</p> | <p>Appeal against a decision relating to a Disablement Pension for accepted conditions of Osteoarthritis Left Knee and Osteoarthritis Right Knee</p> |
| <p> 2016/12 [PDF, 256 KB] (https://www.veteransaffairs.mil.nz/assets/VEAB/bd8a55da01/Appeal-2016-12.pdf)</p> | <p>6 June 2018</p> | <p>Appeal against a decision to decline to accept the conditions of Blood Pressure and Hypertension, Atrial Fibrillation and Inguinal Hernias Both Sides as being service related, and the conditions of Scrub Typhus, Leptospirosis and Jungle Fever on the ground that there is no medical evidence to verify these as current conditions.</p> |
| <p> 2016/11 [PDF, 214 KB] (https://www.veteransaffairs.mil.nz/assets/VEAB/Appeal-2016-11.pdf)</p> | <p>29 January 2018</p> | <p>Appeal against a decision to decline the condition of Motor Neurone Disease as being service-</p> |

| Decision | Decision date | related. Information was un- Grounds of appeal Redacted in July 2023. |
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|  2016/10 [PDF, 242 KB] (https://www.veteransaffairs.mil.nz/assets/VEAB/ae13edc98c/Appeal-2016-10.pdf) | 14 February 2018 | Appeal against a decision to decline the condition of Multiple Sclerosis as being service-related. |
|  2016/7 [PDF, 99 KB] (https://www.veteransaffairs.mil.nz/assets/VEAB/b2d85d9bd2/Appeal-2016-7.pdf) | 18 February 2017 | Appeal against a decision to decline an application for a Surviving Spouse or Partner Pension. |
|  2016/4 [PDF, 169 KB] (https://www.veteransaffairs.mil.nz/assets/VEAB/6674ec4cd6/Appeal-2016-4.pdf) | 28 January 2017 | Appeal against a decision to decline the condition of Ischaemic Heart Disease as being service-related. |
|  2016/2 [PDF, 89 KB] (https://www.veteransaffairs.mil.nz/assets/VEAB/4824ec5c3f/Appeal-2016-2.pdf) | 3 October 2016 | Appeal against a decision to decline an application for a Motor Vehicle Grant. |
|  2016/1 [PDF, 81 KB] (https://www.veteransaffairs.mil.nz/assets/VEAB/98ea4b8362/Appeal-2016-1.pdf) | 15 September 2016 | Appeal against a decision to decline the condition of Peripheral Vascular Disease as being service-related. |
|  2015/2 [PDF, 168 KB] (https://www.veteransaffairs.mil.nz/assets/VEAB/de239f4909/Appeal-2015-2.pdf) | 5 February 2017 | Appeal against a decision to decline the condition of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease as being service-related. |
|  2015/1 [PDF, 593 KB] (https://www.veteransaffairs.mil.nz/assets/VEAB/8c3e352db4/Appeal-2015-1.pdf) | 27 September 2016 | Appeal against decisions to decline the conditions of Colon Cancer, Prostate Cancer, Squamous Cell Carcinoma, and Basal Cell Carcinoma Left Leg, and Thyroid Cancer as being service-related. |