

Assisting Veterans Previously Denied Benefits

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Through the Veterans Consortium Pro Bono Program, Foster Garvey attorneys have assisted numerous unrepresented veterans or their family members in appeals before the U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims. In 2019, Foster Garvey assisted eight veterans and families of veterans in their appeals, including six Washington state veterans. The cases included:

- A widow pursuing a claim on behalf of her Navy veteran husband, who passed away while his disability benefit claim was pending with the United States Department of Veterans Affairs, and was seeking back disability benefits for his back and hip disabilities;
- An army veteran suffering from heart problems;
- An army veteran suffering from shoulder issues;
- A Navy and Army veteran suffering from neck, elbow and shoulder disabilities

In all the cases to have reached resolution to date, Foster Garvey was able to either successfully negotiate a favorable disposition for the veteran or obtain a ruling in favor of the veteran from the Court.

Additionally, on May 16, 2019, the firm hosted a training conducted by the Veterans Consortium to instruct attorneys on how to properly handle appeals at the U.S. Court of Veterans Claims. The training featured expert speakers from all over the country, including speakers from the Court of Veterans Appeals. The program was the first West Coast training conducted by the Veterans Consortium and was attended by attorneys from multiple service areas across the firm.