

# **EXHIBIT F**



DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS  
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**VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL**

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***Re: FOIA REQUEST 20-08088***

Dear Mr. Stout:

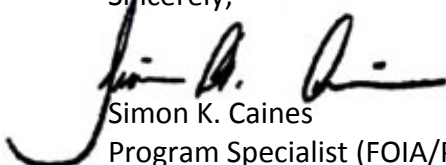
Further to our June 16, 2020 letter acknowledging receipt of your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated July 15, 2020, for specific records from the Department of Veterans Affairs, Veterans Benefits Administration, this letter provides notice of an extension to the initial response deadline.

In our letter to you, we indicated that your request fell within the "unusual circumstances" category. We further described why it was categorized as such and shared that it may take us beyond the prescribed twenty (20)-day time limit to provide a response or responsive records. Please be advised that we have extended the 20-business day response time by the ten (10) additional days prescribed. We continue to await the search results from our office(s) to which the request sent.

If you do not receive a response after the ten-day extended deadline, you have the right to seek dispute resolution services by contacting the VBA FOIA Public Liaison's Office at (202) 461-9421 or via email at [foia.vbaco@va.gov](mailto:foia.vbaco@va.gov). You may also contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS), OGIS can be reached at 1-877-684-6448 or [Archives.gov](http://Archives.gov) or via email at [ogis@nara.gov](mailto:ogis@nara.gov).

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

  
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