

NOTE: This disposition is nonprecedential.

**United States Court of Appeals
for the Federal Circuit**

GEORGE S. HAYES,
Claimant-Appellant

v.

**DENIS MCDONOUGH, SECRETARY OF
VETERANS AFFAIRS,**
Respondent-Appellee

2020-1892

Appeal from the United States Court of Appeals for
Veterans Claims in No. 19-2446, Judge Joseph L. Falvey,
Jr.

JUDGMENT

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THIS CAUSE having been heard and considered, it is

ORDERED and ADJUDGED:

PER CURIAM (NEWMAN, DYK, and O'MALLEY, *Circuit Judges*).

AFFIRMED. See Fed. Cir. R. 36.

ENTERED BY ORDER OF THE COURT

October 18, 2021
Date

/s/ Peter R. Marksteiner
Peter R. Marksteiner
Clerk of Court