

NOTE: This disposition is nonprecedential.

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

**JOYCE R. BILLIE, SUBSTITUTED FOR BOBBY R.
GEORGE,**
Claimant-Appellant

v.

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

2020-1941

Appeal from the United States Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims in No. 16-1221, Senior Judge Mary J. Schoelen, Judge Michael P. Allen, Judge William S. Greenberg.

JUDGMENT

KENNETH M. CARPENTER, Law Offices of Carpenter Chartered, Topeka, KS, argued for claimant-appellant.

MOLLIE LENORE FINNAN, Commercial Litigation Branch, Civil Division, United States Department of Justice, Washington, DC, argued for respondent-appellee. Also represented by BRIAN M. BOYNTON, MARTIN F.

HOCKEY, JR., LOREN MISHA PREHEIM; MARTIE ADELMAN, Y. KEN LEE, ANDREW J. STEINBERG, Office of General Counsel, United States Department of Veterans Affairs, Washington, DC.

THIS CAUSE having been heard and considered, it is

ORDERED and ADJUDGED:

PER CURIAM (LOURIE, REYNA, and CHEN, *Circuit Judges*).

AFFIRMED. See Fed. Cir. R. 36.

ENTERED BY ORDER OF THE COURT

April 11, 2022
Date

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