

Number 2900–0556. In addition, 2900–0556 now includes the collection of a “Close Personal Friend Statement” for incapacitated Veterans who have not completed an Advance Directive and are in need of health care. When a Veteran is incapacitated and does not have an Advance Directive, the VA regulations allow a statement to be submitted from a “Close Personal Friend” who will be responsible for making health care decisions on behalf of the Veteran. It is estimated that 300 such statements will be collected annually. VA seeks to renew the PRA clearance for the information collection under OMB Control Number 2900–0556.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection

of information was published at 88 FR 241 on December 18, 2023, page 87500.

**VA Form 10–0137**

*Affected Public:* Individuals and households.  
*Estimated Annual Burden:* 171,811 hours.  
*Estimated Average Burden per Respondent:* 30 minutes.  
*Frequency of Response:* Once annually.  
*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 343,622.

**Close Personal Friend Statement**

*Affected Public:* Individuals and households.  
*Estimated Annual Burden:* 50 hours.  
*Estimated Average Burden per Respondent:* 10 minutes.  
*Frequency of Response:* Once annually.  
*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 300.

By direction of the Secretary.

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**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

**Advisory Committee on the Readjustment of Veterans, Notice of Meeting, Amended**

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. ch. 10., that the Advisory Committee on the Readjustment of Veterans will hold a meeting virtually. The meeting will begin, and end as follows:

Date	Time	Open session
March 5, 2024 .....	2:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. eastern standard time (EST).	Yes.

The meeting is open to the public.

The purpose of the Committee is to advise the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) regarding the provision by VA of benefits and services to assist Veterans in the readjustment to civilian life. In carrying out this duty, the Committee shall take into account the needs of Veterans who served in combat theaters of operation. The Committee assembles, reviews, and assesses information relating to the needs of Veterans readjusting to civilian life and the effectiveness of VA services in assisting Veterans in that readjustment.

The Committee, comprised of 14 subject matter experts, advises the Secretary, through the VA Readjustment Counseling Service, on the provision by VA of benefits and services to assist Veterans in the readjustment to civilian life. In carrying out this duty, the Committee assembles, reviews, and assesses information relating to the

needs of Veterans readjusting to civilian life and the effectiveness of VA services in assisting Veterans in that readjustment, specifically taking into account the needs of Veterans who served in combat theaters of operation.

On March 5, 2024, the agenda will include review of the 24th report, a calendar forecast and discussion over subject matter experts to consider presenting at the next full Committee meeting. The Committee will meet from 2:30 p.m.–3 p.m. EST, for public members wishing to provide oral comments or join the meeting, please use the following Microsoft Teams link: [https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting\\_OTgxZGM5OGQtYTJhZi00ZGRILTk3MjgtZTYzZTQ2YzEzZWEw%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%22e95f1b23-abaf-45ee-821d-b7ab251ab3bf%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%228aa](https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_OTgxZGM5OGQtYTJhZi00ZGRILTk3MjgtZTYzZTQ2YzEzZWEw%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%22e95f1b23-abaf-45ee-821d-b7ab251ab3bf%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%228aa)

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The Committee will also accept written comments from interested parties on issues outlined in the meeting agenda or other issues regarding the readjustment of Veterans. Parties should contact Mr. Richard Barbato via email at [VHARCSStratAnalysis@va.gov](mailto:VHARCSStratAnalysis@va.gov), by mail at Department of Veterans Affairs, Readjustment Counseling Service (10RCS), 810 Vermont Avenue, Washington, DC 20420, or (202) 461–6525. Any member of the public seeking additional information should contact Mr. Barbato at the phone number or email addressed noted above.

Dated: February 20, 2024.

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