NOTE: This disposition is nonprecedential.

## United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit

PHILLIP O. BRANSON, Claimant-Appellant,

v.

ROBERT A. MCDONALD, Secretary of Veterans Affairs, Respondent-Appellee.

2014-7033

Appeal from the United States Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims in No. 12-2539, Judge Alan G. Lance, Sr.

## JUDGMENT

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THIS CAUSE having been heard and considered, it is

ORDERED and ADJUDGED:

PER CURIAM (LOURIE, DYK, and WALLACH, *Circuit Judges*).

## AFFIRMED. See Fed. Cir. R. 36.

ENTERED BY ORDER OF THE COURT

October 15, 2014 Date <u>/s/ Daniel E. O'Toole</u> Daniel E. O'Toole Clerk of Court