

NOTE: This disposition is nonprecedential.

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

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**PATRICIA LYNNE TOPLIFF, SUBSTITUTED FOR  
CALVIN C. TOPLIFF,**  
*Claimant-Appellant*

v.

**ROBERT WILKIE, ACTING SECRETARY OF  
VETERANS AFFAIRS,**  
*Respondent-Appellee*

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2017-2067

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Appeal from the United States Court of Appeals for  
Veterans Claims in No. 16-1383, Chief Judge Robert N.  
Davis.

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**JUDGMENT**

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THIS CAUSE having been heard and considered, it is

ORDERED and ADJUDGED:

PER CURIAM (DYK, CLEVINGER, and CHEN, *Circuit  
Judges*).

**AFFIRMED. See Fed. Cir. R. 36.**

ENTERED BY ORDER OF THE COURT

April 4, 2018  
Date

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