

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR VETERANS CLAIMS

No. 24-4472

ANTHONY GLADNEY-CHASE, PETITIONER,
INDIVIDUALLY AND ON BEHALF OF OTHERS SIMILARLY SITUATED

v.

DOUGLAS A. COLLINS,
SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS, RESPONDENT.

Before PIETSCH, BARTLEY, and JAQUITH, *Judges*.

ORDER

On June 27, 2024, veteran Anthony Gladney-Chase filed through counsel a petition for extraordinary relief seeking a writ of mandamus, asserting that the Board of Veterans' Appeals had unreasonably delayed docketing his appeals of VA Veterans Health Administration denials. On that same date, he also filed a Request for Class Certification and Class Action, seeking to prosecute this matter on behalf of a purported class of similarly situated claimants.

On March 18, 2025, the parties filed a joint motion to certify a class and appoint class counsel. On the same date, the parties filed a joint motion to terminate the case with an attached proposed settlement agreement contingent on the Court granting the joint motion to certify. On April 24, 2025, the Court certified a class and appointed class counsel. *See* U.S. VET. APP. R. 23(c). The Court also directed the parties to provide notice of the proposed settlement agreement to Class Members. *See* U.S. VET. APP. R. 23(e)(1), (4).

On July 10, 2025, the Court held a hearing under Rule 23(e)(2) of the Court's Rules of Practice and Procedure. In consideration of the parties' presentation, the Court concludes that the parties' proposed settlement agreement is fair, adequate, and reasonable. Thus, the Court will grant the parties' joint motion to terminate and approve the proposed settlement agreement. *See* U.S. VET. APP. R. 23(e)(2).

Upon consideration of the foregoing, it is

ORDERED that the parties' March 18, 2025, joint motion to terminate the case is GRANTED and the proposed settlement agreement is APPROVED.

DATED: July 10, 2025

PER CURIAM.