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If your VRC does not believe that your job exacerbates your SCD's, they can put you through a lot of stress to "prove" your case. If your VRC asks your employer to write a letter corroborating your condition, this letter can help.

Dear VRC.

With all due respect, I find your request for me to have my employer write a letter saying that I can't do my job is completely unreasonable. The fact that I have a back (hip/balance/etc.) service-connected disability and my job description clearly requires that I utilize my back/hip/etc. all day long, leads any logical thinker to understand that my SCD's would be exacerbated with this job.

Additionally, you asked that my employer write a letter saying that they know I can't do my job as a service-connected disabled veteran but they're making me do it anyway? What logical thinking business manager would write a letter like this which would open them up to lawsuits? I find it inordinately troubling that you would even ask me to do something like this. Am I to understand that you don't believe that this job exacerbates my service-connected disability or that you don't believe I'm unable to do this job without extreme pain? I searched the M28C guidelines and saw nothing where it's required of a veteran to get a letter from their employer saying that their SCDs are/are not exacerbated. Is there a reason you specifically asked me for this when I know many veterans who were approved for V/R and were not asked for this letter? Are you accusing me of lying?

My medical records clearly reflect a deterioration of my health over the last few years. My job description clearly reflects the need for ongoing use of parts of my body that have been affected by my injuries which occurred due to my. Honorable service to my country. You clearly have the authority to find me entitled based on the employment handicap criteria, I clearly meet the employment handicap criteria so I am dumbfounded as to why you're asking me for this additional documentation that would do nothing but put my managers job in jeopardy and put my job in jeopardy. While this job exacerbates my service-connected disability, I am forced to do it in order to support myself so I've been doing all that I can to hold on and suffer. I came to you for help because I meet the entitlement criteria.

I would appreciate it if you would review my VA and VHA case records showing clearly what my SCDs are and compare them to the job duties I have at my job. If you will execute that, as your duty to assist requires, I can't imagine you would not come to the conclusion that this job exacerbates my service-connected disability's.

If you continue to insist that I obtain this letter before you acknowledge my employment handicap, consequently confirming that you are unwilling to execute this simple request to review my records to which you already have access, I have to ask for the name and email address of your supervisor so I can request a meeting with him or her in the hopes that they will see the logic in determining my entitlement because I meet the three employment handicap criteria. I have a vocational impairment, it severely affects my ability to do my job without severe pain and I have not overcome my vocational impairment through education or

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training because I've been unable to find work that does not exacerbate my service connected disability due to no fault of my own. Nothing in the M28C criteria suggests I have to have a letter from my boss saying I can't do my job.

In light of the aforementioned, I look forward to hearing from you in the hopes that you will utilize this evidence toward me the benefits to which I am clearly entitled.

Thank you for your time.