

Veteran's Benefits

Most veterans are not aware of the non-service connected pension benefits that are available to them, more commonly known as the "Housebound Pension" and "Aid and Attendance Benefit." This pension is available to many veterans or veterans' spouses with low incomes who are either permanently and totally disabled or over 65 years of age and are housebound, or are in assisted living, or even in a nursing home. The veteran needs to have served at least 90 days active duty with at least one day during a qualified war period. Veterans and/or their spouses need to prove that their medical expenses exceed certain income and asset limitations. The maximum benefit available can provide significant help in paying for long term care costs. Speaking with an experienced elder law attorney is very important in this process. Our lawyers at Tully Rinckey can assist you and your family by explaining what may seem like many difficult and complex concepts about veteran's benefits and long-term care

. We can: Explain what care options that are available in the local community for both the veteran and the spouse

Review your VA, Medicare and Medicaid

options as they apply to your specific circumstances

Supplemental and long-term care

insurance issues

Calculate the actual dollar benefit and/or cost of any helpful idea that is discussed

Analyze any income tax, estate tax or gift tax issues

Draft important estate planning

documents such as powers of attorney

, living will

, health care proxies

, wills

and trusts

Review your personal, financial and family resources and create an asset protection plan

Analyze financial suitability of any asset (preservation)

Analyze both positives and negatives of all planning options

If you have questions about your veteran pension benefits or if you are interested in exploring your long-term care options for you or your spouse, call us 24/7 at 518-218-7100. The most popular City / Village / Town Courts our lawyers serve:

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