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3 BEFORE THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
4 OF THE STATE OF OREGON

5 In the Matter of the Issuance of a
6 Disqualification Order against

7 NATIONAL VETERANS SERVICES FUND,
8 INC.,

9 Respondent.

FINAL DISQUALIFICATION ORDER

Matter No. XCT0031-15

10 On August 24, 2015, the Attorney General properly served notice on National Veterans
11 Services Fund, Inc. (“Respondent”) that she intended to issue an order disqualifying Respondent
12 from receiving contributions that are tax deductible for Oregon income tax purposes by mailing a
13 Notice of Intent to Issue a Disqualification Order Notice by certified mail and by first-class mail
14 to Respondent’s address on file with the Attorney General. Respondent received and accepted
15 the certified mail on August 28, 2015.

16 The Notice informed Respondent that it had 60 days from the date of mailing of the
17 notice to make a written request for a hearing and designated the relevant portions of the
18 Attorney General’s file in connection with this matter as the record for purposes of default.
19 Respondent did not request a hearing within the 60 day period and has not provided any written
20 response or submission in response to the Notice.

21 NOW THEREFORE, after considering the relevant portions of the Attorney General’s
22 file relating to this matter, the Attorney General enters the following Order.

23 **Findings of Fact**

24 1. Respondent is registered with the Oregon Attorney General as a charitable
25 organization engaged in solicitations or otherwise doing business in Oregon and has the
26 registration file number # 26637.

2. Respondent's most recent IRS Form 990 filed with the Attorney General is for the 2013 fiscal year. Respondent's total functional expenses and program expenses as reported in its IRS Form 990, Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses, are set forth below.

National Veterans Services Fund, Inc., Reg. # 26637	2011	2012	2013	Average Expenditures over 3 years
Total Expenses	\$9,577,914	\$9,022,976	\$8,018,378	\$8,873,089.33
Program Expenses	\$2,818,563	\$1,947,612	\$1,507,882	\$2,091,352.33
Program Service Ratio: 3yr program/3yr total	29.4%	21.6%	18.8%	23.6%

3. Respondent is not exempt from disqualification under ORS 128.760(4) and does not warrant exemption under ORS 128.760(2) and OAR 137-010-0032.

Ultimate Findings of Fact

Respondent's program service expenditures averaged over the applicable years is less than 30 percent of its total expenditures and Respondent is not otherwise exempt from disqualification.

Conclusions of Law

Because Respondent has failed to expend at least 30 percent of its total annual functional expenses on program services, as reflected in its IRS Form 990, Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses, when averaged over the applicable period and because Respondent is not exempt from disqualification under ORS 128.760(4) and does not warrant exemption under ORS 128.760(2) and OAR 137-010-0032, Respondent is disqualified from receiving contributions that are tax deductible for Oregon income tax purposes.

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1 **Order**

2 National Veterans Services Fund is disqualified from receiving contributions that are tax
3 deductible for Oregon income tax purposes. Respondent is ordered to disclose its disqualified
4 status in solicitations to persons in Oregon pursuant to ORS 128.763. This Disqualification
5 Order remains in effect for a minimum of one year and will continue until such time as
6 Respondent submits information to demonstrate that its program services expenses meet the
7 minimum percentage specified in ORS 128.760(1).

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9 **Notice of Right to Appeal**

10 You are entitled to judicial review of this Order. Judicial review may be obtained by
11 filing a petition of review within 60 days from the date of service of this Order. Judicial Review
12 is to the Oregon Court of Appeals, pursuant to the provisions of ORS 183.482.

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14 DATED this 1st day of December, 2015.

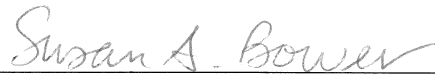
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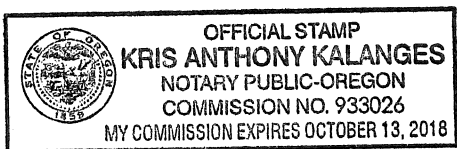
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STATE OF OREGON)
) ss.
County of Multnomah)

I, Susan Bower, being first duly sworn, depose and say that I am employed by the State of Oregon, with the Attorney General, as an Assistant Attorney General. Respondent is a nonprofit corporation and therefore not a member of the military service of the United States.

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SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me by Susan Bower on this 1st day of December 2015.



Kris A. Kalanges
Notary Public for Oregon
My Commission Expires 10-13-18


NON-MILITARY AFFIDAVIT

Certificate of Service

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I certify that on December 2, 2015, I served the attached Final Disqualification Order and Non-Military Affidavit by mailing copies thereof in a sealed envelope, first-class postage prepaid and also by certified mail, addressed as follows:

National Veterans Services Fund, Inc.
Attn: Phil Kraft, Pres.
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE