

AMENDMENT #1 TO
MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
THE VETERANS ADMINISTRATION
AND
THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
V101(049A3)P-2007-063

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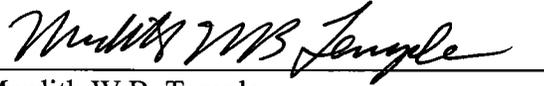
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Meredith W.B. Temple
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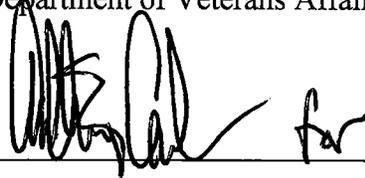
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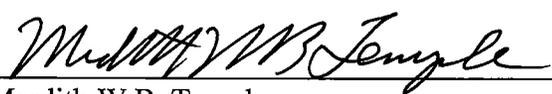
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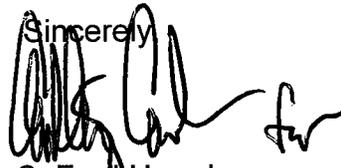
Dear Mr. Washington:

Enclosed is a signed copy of Amendment No.1 to the existing Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the Department of Veterans Affairs and the U.S. Department of the Army. The purpose of the amendment is to add Article XV.

This amendment has been reviewed by the Office of General Counsel and meets all specified requirements for approval.

A copy of the signed agreement has been retained for our files.

Should you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact Theresa Berry at (202) 461-6806, fax (202) 273-7448.

Sincerely

C. Ford Heard
Executive Director, CAI

Enclosure