Jan Dils November Social Security Newsletter

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I wanted to take the opportunity in our November newsletter to give thanks for the one thing my team and I are most grateful for every day: YOU. After all, you are the reason we get up every morning and work our hardest. Your stories inspire us to do our best and truly fight for the benefits you have earned and are entitled to. In other words, you are the reason that we won't take "no" for an answer!

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I hope you will accept our sincere thanks for placing your trust in us. We strive always to earn and keep that trust by guiding you through every step of the process with the ultimate goal of delivering positive results for each and every client.

As I always do, I invite you to contact us with any questions you may have. We are always happy to hear from you, and to help provide you with the answers you need. I hope you will find the articles we have for you this month informative and helpful. JAN DILS Social Security Disability law blog

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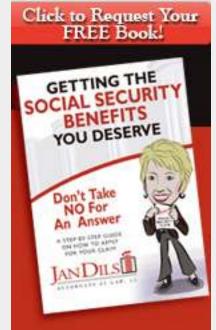
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KEEPING SOCIAL SECURITY UPDATED PREVENTS UNWANTED SURPRISES

After what can be a long and trying process of fighting to obtain the Social Security benefits you are entitled to, you may think that being approved is the last step. While that is technically true, it's also important to remember that, once you begin receiving disability benefits, keeping Social Security informed of any changes in your personal information or status is crucial.

Keeping Social Security up to date on any information that changes minimizes the chance that they will learn about something later that could negatively affect your benefits. That's the surprise no one wants because it can create overpayments that you must repay, disrupts payments, and can even jeopardize your entitlement to Social Security benefits.

To learn more about reporting responsibilities for people who work and receive Social Security disability or SSI benefits, read Social Security's online publications Working While Disabled — How We Can Help and How Work Affects Your Benefits, at <u>www.socialsecurity.gov/pubs</u>. Some changes can be reported online at <u>www.socialsecurity.gov</u> or you can call 1-800-772-1213, or contact your local Social Security office. Social Security's goal is to pay you the right amount, on time, every month. With your cooperation in keeping them informed of any changes, the likelihood of any unpleasant surprises that could derail your benefits will be greatly minimized.



Request a copy of Jan Dils easy-to-understand plan on how to apply for and win your benefits

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Social Security's website has a lot of useful information, including answers to many frequently asked questions, and resources to help you understand and prepare for the process of applying for Social Security Disability Benefits. But knowing where to look and how to navigate the website may not be as easy as it sounds, particularly if you aren't familiar with it.

We've put together links to some information we think you will find helpful at every stage of the process. If you review the information and have additional questions or need clarification on any of the information, please feel free to give us a call. We are always happy to hear from you, and ready to help answer your questions.



The first link we have included takes you to a series of 7 videos, posted by the Social Security Administration, that give a step-by step overview of the process of applying for Social Security Disability Benefits. Topics include filing a claim, medical evidence, review, appeals, and more.

https://www.youtube.com/playlist? list=PLGSYaZN04xzFCoEqDlY3n7xgWLh55vvDh

Whether you are trying to complete the online Adult Disability Application process yourself, preparing for an appointment with an attorney, or just starting to think about applying, the following link to Social Security's Checklist for Adult Disability Application can help with the information you will need to gather to start the process.

https://www.socialsecurity.gov/hlp/radr/10/ovw001-checklist.pdf

If you are at the beginning of the process, or if you would like an overview of the Disability benefits application process, the link to the Adult Disability Starter Kit includes a fact sheet: "What You Should Know Before You Apply For Social Security Disability Benefits" that can be very helpful.

The fact sheet reviews the definition of disability, answers questions and provides a link to the <u>online application</u>. You'll also find two checklists to help you get ready for your appointment or for when filing online. A Medical and Job Worksheet is also available.

https://socialsecurity.gov/disability/disability_starter_kits_adult_eng.htm

And, lastly, we have included a link to the Starter Kit for Children (under 18) that includes a fact sheet with information specific to applying for benefits for children.

https://socialsecurity.gov/disability/disability_starter_kits_child_eng.htm

Jan Dils keeps you updated on Social Security disability benefits news and important issues that matter the most. We not only focus on Social Security Disability, we also provide legal assistance for Veterans Disability Benefits. We understand the claims process and specialize in making sure Veterans receive the proper representation needed for receiving benefits. For more information on our Veterans Disability services, please visit <u>www.fight4vets.com</u>

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