Camp Lejeune Justice Act Claim Filing Deadline: August 10, 2024

The Camp Lejeune Justice Act (CLJA) contains a filing deadline, which means all CLJA claims must be filed by August 10, 2024. For purposes of the CLJA filing deadline, "filed" means any one of the following: (i) a batch file of CLJA claims "submitted" directly in the Claims Management Portal; (ii) an individual CLJA claim "submitted" in the Claims Management Portal; (iii) a batch file of CLJA claims emailed to the Department of the Navy before March 26, 2024; (iv) an individual CLJA claim form emailed to the Department of the Navy before March 26, 2024; and (v) CLJA claim forms received by U.S. Mail by the Department of the Navy with a postmark of August 10, 2024 or earlier.

If you would like to submit your claim through the mail, please visit https://www.navy.mil/Portals/1/clja/CLJA_Claims_Form4.pdf to download a copy of the CLJA claim form. Please return the completed form by U.S. Mail to the following address:

OFFICE OF THE JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL CAMP LEJEUNE CLAIMS UNIT 1322 PATTERSON AVE SE, SUITE 3000 WASHINGTON NAVY YARD, DC 20374-5066

For more information about the Camp Lejeune Justice Act claims process, please visit the Navy's CLJA website at the following address: https://www.navy.mil/clja/

The Department of the Navy is committed to processing all claims filed by August 10, 2024. We will work with claimants if filing date is at issue--if you have proof of filing by August 10, 2024, please provide that to the Camp Lejeune Claims Unit (CLCU) staff that contacts you.

Reconciling CLJA Claim Filing Records

We recently completed our automated ingestion efforts, which means nearly all law firm batch-filed CLJA claims are ingested into the Department of the Navy CLJA Claims Management Portal. All filers are advised to log into the Claims Management Portal (hyperlink provided below) to review the CLJA claims assigned to their profile. If a filer believes one or more CLJA claims are missing from their profile, they are strongly encouraged to file that CLJA claim in the Claims Management Portal and provide evidence of the original filing (e.g., email) so the CLCU can adjust the filing date to align with the date of original filing. The CLCU anticipates CLJA claims will be missing from filer profiles because CLCU personnel continue to manually enter a group of approximately 50,000 CLJA claims that could not be automatically ingested into the portal. Additionally, many filers have submitted multiple claims that must be reconciled with each other to ensure the appropriate claim is processed.

Claims Management Portal: https://clclaims.jag.navy.mil

Draft Status in the Claims Management Portal

All claims filed by 11:59 pm (AoE/UTC-12) on August 10, 2024 are considered filed—even those CLJA claims remaining in "Draft" (i.e., not yet validated by the filer) status in the Claims Management Portal.

CLJA Claim Category 1 – All CLJA Claims filed prior to the Claims Management Portal

Following ingestion of both CLJA claims batch-filed or individually-filed with the Department of the Navy before March 26, 2024, each claim will remain in "Draft" status pending review and validation by the filer. Please note that each of these CLJA claims contains a "Pre-portal Filing Date" that serves as the filing date for purposes of the CLJA. These claims need not be "validated" by August 10, 2024 because these claims were all filed with the Department of the Navy prior to March 26, 2024.

CLJA Claim Category 2 – All CLJA claims filed directly in the Claims Management Portal

A CLJA claim filed directly in the Claims Management Portal is filed for purposes of the CLJA once the filer hits the "submit" button and the submission is accepted by the Claims Management Portal. The filer can confirm the Claims Management Portal accepted the claim submission by accessing the claim through the portal and confirming the claim reflects the "Portal Filing Date" or the "Portal Batch Filing Date." CLJA claims that are batch-filed directly in the Claims Management Portal will be divided into separate individual CLJA claims and remain in draft status pending validation by the filer. These individual claims created from a batch-file need not be validated by August 10, 2024 because the claim was already batch-filed by August 10, 2024.

To properly replace a representative or attorney, click this link and use the "Request to Change/Update Claim Representative" form. Please note there is no option for bulk claim changes or additions; each claim needing a change in representative must have its own form.

Note: please use the features described in the help section to edit your claim, <u>do not withdraw</u> it and submit a new one. If you withdraw your claim, your claim will be closed and any new claims would need to be filed before the statute of limitations expires on 10 Aug 2024.