

# VFW Twitter Chat Addresses the VA Claims Process

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The VFW wants to make the journey to collect your VA benefits as simple as possible. That's why we're hosting a VFW Twitter Chat Thursday, May 23, from 3-4 p.m. EDT. VFW Service Officer Ron Cherry will be standing by to answer participants' questions regarding the VA claims process and benefits in general for one hour in real-time via the VFW's National Twitter page, [@VFWHQ](#), using the hashtag #ASKVFW.

The chat will give participants a better understanding of what is required to file a claim and how to be more prepared to speed up the process. All you'll need is a Twitter account to participate, which you can register for at [www.twitter.com](http://www.twitter.com).

In 2012, Cherry, along with the entire VFW nationwide network of Service Officers, helped 125,000 veterans recover \$3.7 billion in VA benefits.

Cherry served in the U.S. Army from 1989-2000. He joined the VFW's team of benefits experts following his service, initially working as a Claims Consultant for five years before becoming a Service Officer for the last seven.

The VFW hopes to further engage and inform its online community through Twitter chats on a variety of veterans' issues in the future. Recently, the VFW issued two highly successful "Action Alerts" to its members and supporters via social media. One issue involved the reinstatement of military Tuition Assistance. The other was a call to lower the precedence of the Distinguished Warfare Medal (DWM). VFW support was unrelenting in both instances. Military Tuition programs were quickly reinstated and the DWM was called under review by the Secretary of Defense. [Follow the VFW on Twitter](#) for more information about upcoming Twitter chats, and don't forget to join us LIVE on May 23.

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