

Mission

The mission of the USDR is to support and assist disabled military retirees, their spouses, widows, and/or immediate family members.

Purpose

To communicate to members of Congress and their staff, specific legislation, regulations, and/or policies that are harmful to disabled military retirees; and legislation that requires their support that promotes the health and welfare of disabled military retirees and their families.

Provide information, education, and assistance to disabled military retirees in obtaining entitlements, which they and/or their immediate family members have earned.

Sponsor and promote programs that increase public awareness of issues and concerns regarding

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Our Fight

Since 1981, the USDR has taken the lead in the fight for elimination of post Civil War legislation which prevented military retirees from receiving their earned retirement entitlements.

In 1984, the USDR filed a law suit to gain the restoration of military retiree pay for all disabled military retirees however the Supreme Court denied our suit for equality.

The deterioration of other earned retirement entitlements such as the retiree and dependent healthcare and the SBP/DIC offset, are also issues the USDR is addressing. We have helped win a few battles on Capitol Hill, but the war on recovering full retired pay is not over!

The USDR CAPWIZ Legislative Action program is responsible for over 500,000 contacts to the President, Vice-President, and members of the United States Congress, addressing the issues most important to disabled military retirees, their spouses, widows, and family members.

To bring equal justice to all military retirees, disabled or not.



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*"A strong voice for our
Nation's Disabled
Military Retirees
since 1981"*

Accomplishments

- ◆ In 1987, the USDR was the first organization dedicated to changing an obsolete 100-year old law preventing Concurrent Receipt (CR) and was told by the US Supreme Court that only the United States Congress could change the law.
- ◆ In 1996, the USDR began walking the halls of Congress, visiting staff offices, and sending letters to Congress.
- ◆ In 1999, Special Monthly Compensation (SMC) was signed into law.
- ◆ In 2001, the USDR distributed its first USDR "CR Point Paper" to every member of Congress.
- ◆ In 2002, Combat-Related Special Compensation (CRSC) was signed into law, the first Congressional alternative to restoring CR and began sending payments to retirees one month later.
- ◆ In 2002, the USDR posted its first website at: www.usdr.org.
- ◆ On January 1, 2004, Congress agreed to restore military retiree pay to disabled military retirees which became known as Concurrent Retirement Disability Pay (CRDP).
- ◆ On January 1, 2005, the 2005 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) eliminated the 10-year offset for disabled military retirees rated 100% who were in receipt of CRDP.
- ◆ In 2005, the USDR began providing the CAPWIZ Legislative Action Program to its members.
- ◆ The 2005 NDAA extended CRSC to all disabled military retirees with 10-100% disabilities to include members of Na-

tional Guard and Reserve Components.

- ◆ The 2005 NDAA eliminated the SBP age-62 benefit reduction back to 55% by April 1, 2008.
- ◆ The 2006 NDAA enabled military retirees defined by the VA as Individual Unemployables (IU's) to begin receiving their maximum CRDP entitlements in 2009.
- ◆ In 2006, the USDR upgraded its quarterly newsletter the "Sentinel."
- ◆ In 2007, the USDR revamped its website located at: www.usdr.org.
- ◆ In 2008, the USDR amended its bylaws to accept all seven branches of the Uniformed Services as Active Members (Army, Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration, and United States Public Health Service Commission Corp).

Eligibility

You are eligible to join the USDR in one of two ways:

- ◆ Any person retired with pay, either for length of service, or medically retired disability's), from any one of the seven Uniformed Services of the United States (Active, National Guard, or Reserve component), including gray area retirees, deemed as having a disability by the Veterans Administration, or those disabled and drawing 100% disability from the Veterans Administration (or their spouse or widow) shall be eligible to become an **Active Member** of the USDR.
- ◆ Any person interested in furthering the mission of the USDR, shall be eligible to become an **Associate Member**.

Help secure your earned entitlements - Join Today!

USDR MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

(Please mail to: USDR Membership Services, PO Box 1121, St. Cloud, MN 56302-1121 or FAX to: (320) 255-1492)

CHECK: ACTIVE SPOUSE/WIDOW ASSOCIATE NEW MEMBER or RENEWAL (MBR # _____)

RETIRED: BRANCH: _____ RANK: _____ PAY GRADE: _____ DATE: _____

LAST NAME: _____ FIRST NAME: _____ MI: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____ @ _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____ +4 _____

HOME PHONE: (_____) _____ DATE OF BIRTH (DD/MM/YY): _____

DUES: ACTIVE	DUES: SPOUSE/WIDOW	DUES: ASSOCIATE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1 YEAR = \$ 25.00	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 YEAR = \$ 5.00	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 YEAR = \$ 25.00
<input type="checkbox"/> 3 YEARS = \$ 60.00	<input type="checkbox"/> 3 YEARS = \$ 12.00	<input type="checkbox"/> 3 YEARS = \$ 60.00
<input type="checkbox"/> LIFE - (AGE 54 and Under) = \$500.00	<input type="checkbox"/> LIFE - (AGE 54 and Under) = \$100.00	<input type="checkbox"/> LIFE - (AGE 54 and Under) = \$500.00
<input type="checkbox"/> LIFE - (AGE 55 and Up) = \$400.00	<input type="checkbox"/> LIFE - (AGE 55 and Up) = \$ 80.00	<input type="checkbox"/> LIFE - (AGE 55 and Up) = \$400.00

Check here if Life dues are paid in: Lump sum or 4 equal payments w/ 1st payment enclosed - you will be invoiced quarterly.

Also enclosed is a donation to the USDR in the amount of: \$ _____. The (USDR is a 501(c)(19) nonprofit organization and your donation may be tax deductible.)

PAYMENT: Check or Money Order enclosed made out to: **USDR**

Credit Card [Circle one: VISA ~ MASTERCARD ~ DISCOVER ~ AMERICAN EXPRESS]

CARD NUMBER: _____ - _____ - _____ - _____

EXACT NAME PRINTED ON CARD: _____

EXPIRATION DATE: MM: ____ YY: ____ SECURITY CODE (3 or 4-digit code from the back of the card): ____

TOTAL ENCLOSED OR CHARGED: \$ _____ RECRUITER: _____

APPLICATION DATE: _____ SIGNATURE: _____

(I believe the above information to be true and correct to the best of my knowledge.)

Please send me information on how I can help by remembering the USDR in my Estate or final Will.