

the Federal Workforce and Requiring Mask-Wearing, and E.O. 14043 of September 9, 2021, *Requiring Coronavirus Disease 2019 Vaccination for Federal Employees*, the request for this collection of information is essential to implement the USPTO health and safety measures regarding the Federal employee medical exemptions to the COVID-19 mandatory vaccinations. The Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, requires Federal agencies to provide reasonable accommodations to qualified employees with disabilities unless that reasonable accommodation would impose an undue hardship on the employee's agency. See 29 U.S.C. 791; 29 CFR part 1614; see also 20 CFR part 1630 and E.O. 13164 of July 26, 2000, *Requiring Federal Agencies to Establish Procedures to Facilitate the Provision of Reasonable Accommodation*. Section 2 of E.O. 14043 mandates that each agency "implement, to the extent consistent with applicable law, a program to require COVID-19 vaccination for all of its Federal employees, with exceptions only as required by law." This COVID-19 Vaccine Supplemental Medical Provider Statement is necessary for USPTO to determine legal exemptions to the vaccine requirement under the Rehabilitation Act.

The vaccination requirement issued pursuant to E.O. 14043, is currently the subject of a nationwide injunction. While that injunction remains in place, USPTO will not process requests for a medical exception from the COVID-19 vaccination requirement pursuant to E.O. 14043. USPTO will also not request the submission of any medical information related to a request for an exception from the vaccination requirement pursuant to E.O. 14043 while the injunction remains in place. But USPTO may nevertheless receive information regarding a medical exception. That is because, if USPTO were to receive a request for an exception from the COVID-19 vaccination requirement pursuant to E.O. 14043 during the pendency of the injunction, USPTO will accept the request, hold it in abeyance, and notify the employee who submitted the request that implementation and enforcement of the COVID-19 vaccination requirement pursuant to E.O. 14043 is currently enjoined and that an exception therefore is not necessary so long as the injunction is in place. In other words, during the pendency of the injunction, any information collection related to requests for medical exception from the COVID-19 vaccination requirement

pursuant to E.O. 14043 is not undertaken to implement or enforce the COVID-19 vaccination requirement.

Form Numbers:

- USPTO-OEEOD Form 303 (COVID-19 Vaccine Supplemental Medical Provider Statement)

Type of Review: Extension and revision of a currently approved information collection.

Affected Public: Private sector.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

Frequency: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Annual Respondents: 150 respondents.

Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 150 responses.

Estimated Time per Response: The USPTO estimates that the responses in this information collection will take the public 10 minutes (0.167 hours) to complete. This includes the time to gather the necessary information, create the document, and submit the completed request to the USPTO.

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Burden Hours: 25 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Non-Hourly Cost Burden: \$0.

This information collection request may be viewed at www.reginfo.gov. Follow the instructions to view Department of Commerce, USPTO information collections currently under review by OMB.

Written comments and recommendations for this information collection should be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice on the following website www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function and entering either the title of the information collection or the OMB Control Number 0651-0087.

Further information can be obtained by:

- *Email:* InformationCollection@uspto.gov. Include "0651-0087 information request" in the subject line of the message.
- *Mail:* Kimberly Hardy, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer, United States Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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Information Collections Officer, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer, United States Patent and Trademark Office.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

[Docket ID: USA-2022-HQ-0005]

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Department of the Army, Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: 30-Day information collection notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense has submitted to OMB for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by June 30, 2022.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Angela Duncan, 571-372-7574, whs.mc-alex.esd.mbx.dd-dod-information-collections@mail.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number: Authorization to Apply for a "No-Fee" Passport and/or Request for Visa; DD Form 1056; OMB Control Number 0702-0134.

Type of Request: Revision.
Number of Respondents: 175,000.
Responses per Respondent: 1.
Annual Responses: 175,000.
Average Burden per Response: 60 minutes.

Annual Burden Hours: 175,000.

Needs and uses: The information collection requirement is necessary to obtain and record the personally identifiable information of official passport and/or visa applicants. This information is used to process, track, and verify no-fee passport and visa applications and requests for additional visa pages, Status of Forces Agreement endorsements. Authorization to apply for a no-fee passport and/or request for a visa is granted to those who can verify U.S. citizenship and legitimate official travel needs. The information collected on this form is shared with the Department of State and the embassy of the country to which the traveler is going for the production of the needed travel documents. Respondents include DoD civilians and military members and their dependents traveling on official orders.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

OMB Desk Officer: Ms. Jasmeet

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You may also submit comments and recommendations, identified by Docket ID number and title, by the following method:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name, Docket ID number, and title for this **Federal Register** document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

DOD Clearance Officer: Ms. Angela Duncan.

Requests for copies of the information collection proposal should be sent to Ms. Duncan at whs.mc-alex.esd.mbx.dd-dod-information-collections@mail.mil.

Dated: May 24, 2022.

Aaron T. Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Docket ID: DoD-2022-OS-0064]

Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Notice of a modified system of records.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974, the DoD is modifying and reissuing a current system of records titled, "Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting Systems (DEERS)," DMDC 02 DoD. This system of records was originally established by the Defense Manpower Data Center to collect and maintain records that are used to manage the issuance of DoD identification cards, manage physical and logical access to DoD facilities and to provide a database for determining DoD entitlements and privileges. Additionally, DEERS is used to support DoD healthcare management programs, assess manpower and support

personnel and readiness functions. This system of records notice (SORN) is being updated to support additional information sharing of records outside of the DoD in order to streamline the DoD identification card issuance process. In addition, it clarifies the routine use governing the data sharing DoD utilizes in support of the Public Service Forgiveness loan program and it expands the routine use governing the data sharing in support of the Unemployment Compensation for Ex-service members to state workforce agencies, or to the Department of Labor contractors or grantees. This modification revises the routine uses. The new routine use will allow DoD to disclose information to the Government Publishing Office (GPO).

DATES: This system of records is effective upon publication; however, comments on the Routine Uses will be accepted on or before June 30, 2022. The Routine Uses are effective at the close of the comment period.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by either of the following methods:

- * *Federal Rulemaking Portal:* <https://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

- * *Mail:* Department of Defense, Office of the Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Privacy, Civil Liberties, and Transparency, Regulatory Directorate, 4800 Mark Center Drive, Attn: Mailbox 24, Suite 08D09, Alexandria, VA 22350-1700.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and docket number for this **Federal Register** document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the internet at <https://www.regulations.gov> as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Sam Peterson, DMDC Privacy Officer, DMDC Privacy Office, DoD Center, 400 Gigling Road, Monterey, CA 93955; dodhra.dodc-mb.dmdc.mbx.webmaster@mail.mil; (831) 583-2400.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The DEERS system of records is used to manage the issuance of DoD badges and identification cards, *i.e.*, Common Access Cards (CACs) or beneficiary identification cards. In addition, this system of records is used to authenticate and identify DoD affiliated personnel

(*e.g.*, contractors) and manage physical and logical access to DoD facilities. This modification will allow DoD Identification (ID) cardholders to request renewal of their CAC online as part of a pilot program. The pilot program postures the GPO to more efficiently produce and distribute the DoD ID cards on behalf of and in conjunction with DoD. Implementation of the online DoD ID card issuance capability presents an opportunity for increased convenience for cardholders and overall cost savings to the Department. In support of this initiative and subject to public comment, DoD is adding new routine use (KK) for this system of records. This routine use would allow for disclosure of information to the GPO to facilitate GPO's role in supporting the production and distribution of CAC cards on behalf of the DoD.

Additionally, subject to public comment, the DoD is modifying existing routine use (F), which currently permits disclosures of information to entities engaged in financial and legal transactions with Service members. The modification will clarify and broaden this routine use to support disclosures to these same entities to facilitate communication with Service members and to support student loan forgiveness programs.

DoD SORNs have been published in the **Federal Register** and are available from the address in **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** or at the Office of the Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Privacy, Civil Liberties, and Transparency (OATSD(PCLT)) website at <https://dpcltd.defense.gov/privacy>.

II. Privacy Act

Under the Privacy Act, a "system of records" is a group of records under the control of an agency from which information is retrieved by the name of an individual or by some identifying number, symbol, or other identifying particular assigned to the individual. In the Privacy Act, an individual is defined as a U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident.

In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552a(r) and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular No. A-108, OATSD(PCLT) has provided a report of this system of records to the OMB and to Congress.