

## Claim Form

**Instructions to Claimant:** Please complete the questions included in this claim form as your submission for compensation from the September 11th Victim Compensation Fund (“VCF”). This form includes both the eligibility and compensation portions of your claim.

**When completing this claim form, you must:**

- Print your answers using black or blue ink.
- Submit your answers in English.
- Use either of the following to make your selection when answering a question that has a box or a circle:
  - “✓”
  - or -
  - “X”
- Submit the signed Signature Page with your completed claim form.

**The VCF keeps all documents you submit with your claim. Please make copies for your records of any documents you submit, including a copy of your completed claim form.**

**Appendices:**

There are several appendices at the end of this claim form. If a particular appendix does not apply to your situation, you do not have to complete it or send it back to the VCF.

**Document Checklist:**

A document checklist is provided with this form to assist you in gathering and submitting the documents needed to process your claim. You do not need to send the document checklist back to the VCF.

**Mailing Your Form:**

To submit your claim, mail this form and any supporting documents needed to process your claim to:

**Mailing Address:**

September 11th Victim Compensation Fund  
P.O. Box 34500  
Washington, D.C., 20043

**Overnight Deliveries:**

September 11th Victim Compensation Fund  
Claims Processing Center  
1220 L Street NW  
Suite 100 - Box 408  
Washington, DC 20005-4018

Please be sure all documents you submit have the victim's Social Security Number printed at the top of the page.

If you need assistance completing this form, or have any questions, **please call our toll-free Helpline at 1-855-885-1555**. For the hearing impaired, call 1-855-885-1558 (TDD). If you are calling from outside the United States, call 1-202-514-1100.

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**PART I – VICTIM AND CLAIMANT INFORMATION**

The term "Victim" refers to the individual who has been diagnosed with a September 11th-related physical injury or condition. The term "Claimant" refers to the individual who is filing the claim to seek compensation for the victim. Individuals who are filing a Personal Injury claim on their own behalf are both the claimant and the victim.

**INFORMATION ABOUT THE VICTIM**

**1. Complete the information below for the individual who has been diagnosed with a 9/11-related physical injury or condition.**

Last Name		First Name		Middle Name	
Mailing Address				Apartment/Suite Number	
City	State/Province	Zip/Postal Code	Country (if not the U.S.)		
Best Telephone Number during Business Hours				Alternate Telephone Number(s)	
Email Address					
Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)					
Is the victim a U.S. citizen? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No					
If <b>Yes</b> , provide the victim's Social Security Number or Taxpayer Identification Number:					
If <b>No</b> , provide the following:					
National Identification Number		Country of Citizenship		Passport Number	Passport Country
Has the victim ever gone by any other names (e.g., maiden name)? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No					
If <b>Yes</b> , list all former names:					
Last		First		Middle	

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**INFORMATION ABOUT THE CLAIMANT**

**2. In what capacity are you filing the claim on behalf of the victim? Select one from the list below:**

- Self – I am the victim. You do not need to complete the remaining information in this section – *skip to Question 5.*
- Personal Representative of a deceased individual.
- Parent or Guardian of a minor. Please provide additional information below:
  - I have sole legal custody of the minor.
  - I share or have joint legal custody of the minor.
- Guardian of a non-minor.

*If there is more than one Personal Representative or if you share Joint Custody of a minor, you also need to complete Question 4.*

*If you are an attorney who is completing this form on your client's behalf, complete the information below about the claimant and then provide your information in Question 5.*

*If you are the claimant and there is someone who you would like to be able to speak on your behalf or find out information about the claim (e.g., a spouse or a child), provide their contact information in Question 6.*

**3. Complete the following information for the claimant:**

Last Name		First Name		Middle Name	
Mailing Address				Apartment/Suite Number	
City	State/Province	Zip/Postal Code	Country (if not the U.S.)		
Best Telephone Number during Business Hours				Alternate Telephone Number(s)	
Email Address					
Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)					
Is the claimant a U.S. citizen? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No					
If <b>Yes</b> , provide the claimant's Social Security Number or Taxpayer Identification Number:					
If <b>No</b> , provide the following:					
National Identification Number		Country of Citizenship		Passport Number	Passport Country

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**4. If applicable, complete the following information about the person with whom you share joint representation or custody.** *Note: both signatures are required wherever the VCF asks for a signature.*

Last Name		First Name		Middle Name
Mailing Address			Apartment/Suite Number	
City	State/Province	Zip/Postal Code	Country (if not the U.S.)	
Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)	Email Address		Telephone Number	
Is the individual a U.S. citizen? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No If <b>Yes</b> , provide the your Social Security Number or Taxpayer Identification Number: If <b>No</b> , provide the following:				
National Identification Number		Country of Citizenship	Passport Number	Passport Country

**INFORMATION ABOUT THE CLAIMANT'S ATTORNEY (IF APPLICABLE)**

**5. If an attorney is representing you with this claim, fill out the information below:**

Last Name		First Name		Middle Name
Law Firm Name				
Mailing Address			Apartment/Suite Number	
City	State/Province	Zip/Postal Code	Country (if not the U.S.)	
Email Address			Telephone Number	

**INFORMATION ABOUT ALTERNATIVE CONTACT (IF APPLICABLE)**

**6. If there is someone whom you would like to be able to speak on your behalf about your claim or to access information about your claim (e.g. a spouse or a child), list their contact information below. You do not need to list any individual whose information you have already provided.**

Last Name		First Name		Middle Name
Mailing Address			Apartment/Suite Number	
City	State/Province	Zip/Postal Code	Country (if not the U.S.)	
Email Address			Telephone Number	

**PART II – ELIGIBILITY TO RECEIVE COMPENSATION**

**PRESENCE AT A 9/11-RELATED CRASH SITE**

To be eligible for compensation from the VCF, the victim must have been present at a designated 9/11-related site at some point during the period beginning September 11, 2001 through May 30, 2002. If the victim was not present at some point during this timeframe or was not at a designated site, you are not eligible to file a claim for compensation.

**7. On the list below, select the sites at which the victim was present at some point between September 11, 2001 and May 30, 2002.**

- New York City (“NYC”) Exposure Zone\* – *continue to Question 8.*

\*The “NYC Exposure Zone” is defined as “the area in Manhattan south of the line that runs along Canal Street from the Hudson River to the intersection of Canal Street and East Broadway, north on East Broadway to Clinton Street, and east on Clinton Street to the East River; and any area related to or along the routes of debris removal, such as barges and Fresh Kills landfill.”

- Pentagon – *skip to Question 17 and complete Appendix B*
- Shanksville, PA – *skip to Question 17 and complete Appendix B*

In the questions that follow, the term “Responder” is defined as an individual who performed rescue, recovery, demolition, debris cleanup, or other related services at one of the sites in response to the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks, regardless of whether the individual was a state or federal employee or member of the National Guard or performed the services in some other capacity. Therefore, the victim may be considered a responder even if he or she performed the listed services through a private employer or on a volunteer basis.

**8. Why was the victim present in the NYC Exposure Zone during the period beginning September 11, 2001 through May 30, 2002?**

- Part of the rescue, recovery, and debris clean-up.  
Was the victim acting in a capacity as a responder?  Yes  No
- Through his or her ordinary employment as a non-responder.
- Lived in the NYC Exposure Zone – *skip to Question 15.*
- Other: *Specify and skip to Question 16:*

**9. Select from the list below the employer or entity for which the victim worked or volunteered at the NYC Exposure Zone at some point during the time period beginning September 11, 2001 through May 30, 2002. If the victim worked or volunteered for more than one entity on the list, you will need to complete this section for each entity by copying these pages, completing them for each entity, and submitting them with your claim form.**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> FDNY – specify the victim’s role from the following list:                     <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="radio"/> Active FDNY firefighter or fire officer</li> <li><input type="radio"/> Retired FDNY officer</li> <li><input type="radio"/> FDNY EMS worker</li> <li><input type="radio"/> FDNY engineer, dispatcher, electrician, or other position – specify:</li> </ul> </li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> NYPD – specify the victim’s role from the following list:                     <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="radio"/> Police Officer</li> <li><input type="radio"/> Other – specify:</li> </ul> </li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Other (including other cleaning company) – provide name of company or organization:</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> City of New York (e.g., Department of Sanitation, Transportation, etc.)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> State of New York</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Port Authority</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated Edison (“ConEd”)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Red Cross</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Salvation Army</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Temporary worker performing clean up</li> </ul> |
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Questions 10-14 should be answered specific to the entity you selected in Question 9.

**10. Indicate below if the victim was an employee, a contractor, or a volunteer:**

**Employee**

Provide the employer's address, including a name and contact information for any known supervisors/points of contact:

List the victim's dates of employment with this organization:

Is this employer still in business?  Yes  No  Do Not Know

**Contractor**

Provide the employer's name and address, including contact information for any known supervisors/points of contact:

List the victim's dates of employment with this organization:

Is this employer still in business?  Yes  No  Do Not Know

**Volunteer**

**11. If the victim was a member of an employee union when working or volunteering for the selected entity, identify the union:**

**12. Select from the list below the location where the victim worked or volunteered for the selected entity while at the NYC Exposure Zone at some point during the time period beginning September 11, 2001 through May 30, 2002:**

- On or adjacent to the pile/in the pit
- Staten Island/Fresh Kills Landfill
- Employer's address as provided in Question 10
- Other address within the NYC Exposure Zone – provide the cross streets if known:

**13. Identify the dates (or range of dates) on which the victim worked or volunteered for the selected entity while at the NYC Exposure Zone:**

**14. Approximately how any hours per day was the victim present on the dates listed above?**

*If you have answered Questions 9-14 and did not also live in the NYC Exposure Zone, skip to Question 17.*

**15. Did the victim live within the NYC Exposure Zone during the time period beginning September 11, 2001 through May 30, 2002?**

- Yes  No

If **Yes**, provide the address where the victim lived:

Provide the dates on which the victim physically resided in the Zone:

**16. Was the victim present within the NYC Exposure Zone at some point during the time period beginning September 11, 2001 through May 30, 2002 in a capacity other than those listed in the previous questions?**

- Yes  No

If **Yes**, why was the victim present in the NYC Exposure Zone?

- Visitor  Other - specify:

Identify the closest location within the NYC Exposure Zone where the victim was present, including buildings and/or cross streets:

Identify the dates (or range of dates) on which the victim was present in the NYC Exposure Zone:

Approximately how any hours per day was the victim present on the dates listed above?

**INFORMATION ABOUT THE VICTIM'S PRIOR CLAIM WITH THE SEPTEMBER 11TH VICTIM COMPENSATION FUND (IF APPLICABLE)**

**17. Did the victim file a claim with the original September 11th Victim Compensation Fund of 2001?**

- Yes  No

If **Yes**, did the victim receive an award from the original September 11th Victim Compensation Fund of 2001?

- Yes  No  Do Not Know

**INFORMATION ABOUT THE VICTIM'S PARTICIPATION IN LAWSUITS RELATED TO SEPTEMBER 11, 2001 (IF APPLICABLE)**

**18. Has the victim or any dependent, spouse or beneficiary filed a lawsuit or been a party to a lawsuit in any court for personal injury damages that resulted from the September 11, 2001 attacks (including damages related to debris removal)?**

- Yes  No  Do Not Know

If **Yes**, which lawyer or law firm(s) represented the victim in the lawsuit?

Was the lawsuit dismissed or withdrawn?  Yes  No  Do Not Know

If **Yes**, on what date was the lawsuit dismissed or withdrawn?

Was the lawsuit settled?  Yes  No  Do Not Know

If **Yes**, was it settled with all defendants or only some defendants?  All  Some

On what date was the release signed?

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**19. Has the victim or any dependent, spouse or beneficiary filed any other claims/lawsuits in relation to the 9/11-related physical injury or condition?**

Yes  No

If **Yes**, provide details of that lawsuit here:

**INFORMATION ABOUT THE VICTIM'S 9/11-RELATED PHYSICAL INJURY OR CONDITION**

Under the Zadroga Act, only victims who have been diagnosed with a September 11th-related physical injury or condition that is on the WTC Health Program list of presumptive conditions can be eligible for compensation from the VCF. You may not claim compensation for any mental health conditions. Conditions such as PTSD or anxiety are not eligible for compensation from the VCF. If the victim did not suffer physical harm as a result of the air crashes or debris removal, you are not eligible for compensation.

**20. Complete the table below. When providing dates, you should be as specific as possible. If you do not know the exact date, provide the month and year.**

Name of Condition	When did the victim first begin experiencing symptoms?	What was the victim's first date of diagnosis?	When did a physician inform the victim that the condition was a result of 9/11-related exposure?	Is the victim being treated by the WTC Health Program for this condition? *
				<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
				<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
				<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
				<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
				<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No

\* If the victim is **not** being treated by a physician at the WTC Health Program for any condition listed above, complete Appendix C, unless the victim is claiming only traumatic injuries or musculoskeletal disorders.



**PART III – COMPENSATION**

**21. What losses are you seeking for the victim's 9/11-related physical injury or condition? Select all that apply.**

- Non-economic Loss (i.e. pain and suffering) – *If you are claiming non-economic loss only, skip to Question 28.*
- Medical Expenses
- Replacement Services
- Loss of Earnings to Date
- Loss of Future Earnings

**MEDICAL EXPENSE LOSS**

**22. If you are seeking compensation for medical expenses incurred that have not been reimbursed by insurance, Workers' Compensation, or other sources, and are directly related to the treatment of the physical condition(s) listed in Question 20, complete the information below.**

Did the victim have medical insurance at the time the expense was incurred?       Yes     No

If yes, provide the name of the insurance company:

Was the victim receiving treatment for these conditions at the WTC Health Program at the time the expenses were incurred?       Yes     No

*Please provide detailed information about all out-of-pocket medical or related expenses for which the victim was not reimbursed. You may provide the information by completing the table below or by completing the Medical Expense Worksheet. The worksheet can be found under "Forms and Resources" on the www.vcf.gov website. You will also need to submit proof that each expense has not been reimbursed.*

Type of medical expense paid but not reimbursed	Amount incurred (\$)

**REPLACEMENT SERVICES**

Replacement services are household services that the victim provided to the household. Such services include cleaning, cooking, child care, home maintenance and repairs, and financial services, among many others. Replacement services loss is intended to replace something that was lost – that is, something the victim used to do and now cannot do because of a 9/11-related eligible physical injury or condition.

In order to be compensated for replacement services, you must demonstrate that the victim performed the claimed service before the onset of his or her eligible physical injury or condition, and show that the eligible injury or condition now prevents or limits the victim from performing the service.

**23. If you are seeking compensation for replacement services, complete the table below:**

Type of services the victim performed prior to the onset of the 9/11-related physical injury or condition:	Hours spent per week performing the services:	When did the victim stop or reduce the amount of time spent per week performing these activities?	Which 9/11-related physical injury or condition prevents the victim from performing this activity?

**LOSS OF EARNINGS**

Loss of earnings can be claimed for “past” loss of earnings, such as earnings loss as a result of missed work due to a 9/11-related physical injury or condition. Loss of “future” earnings can be claimed due to the victim’s 9/11-related physical disability.

**24. If you are seeking compensation for loss of earnings to date, provide information about the victim’s employment, including the specific time periods/dates when the victim missed work and the loss of earnings/benefits associated with the time missed from work as a result of the 9/11-related physical injury or condition:**

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**25. If you are seeking compensation for loss of future earnings due to the victim's 9/11-related physical disability, complete the following information. *Otherwise, skip to Question 28.***

- Is the disability a result of a 9/11 physical condition/injury?     Yes                       No
- Is the victim partially or totally disabled?                       Partial                       Total
- Is the disability permanent or temporary?                       Permanent                       Temporary
- Has any government agency, insurer, or physician made a formal determination with respect to the victim's disability?     Yes     No     Do Not Know

If Yes, what entity issued the determination? Identify all that apply from the list below. *Note: with the exception of the NY State Workers' Compensation Board, you should submit the application and/or decision with your claim form if you have a copy of it.*

- Social Security Administration                                       NYCERS
- FDNY     NYSLRS
- Was the victim found to be disabled under the WTC Bill?     Yes     No     Do Not Know
- If Yes, was the victim re-classified under the WTC Bill?     Yes     No     Do Not Know
- NYPD
- State Workers' Compensation - identify state:
- Insurance Company - specify:
- Physician - specify:
- Other - specify:

If No, what is the status of the application?     Denied     Pending     Do Not Know

If you are interested in seeking a disability evaluation through the WTC Health Program, check here:   
A disability evaluation is only available for victims who are certified by the WTC Health Program for at least one condition and who have not been able to be found disabled by another entity. To learn more about this process, visit "Forms and Resources" on the [www.vcf.gov](http://www.vcf.gov) website.

**26. Complete the information below regarding the victim's employment and compensation history. For Personal Injury claims, provide the employment and compensation history for the three years prior to the decrease in earnings caused by the eligible condition. For Deceased claims, provide the victim's employment and compensation history for the three years prior to the victim's death and, if applicable, for the three years prior to any decrease in the victim's earnings caused by an eligible condition. If needed, attach additional pages.**

Identify the victim's employer at the time the victim became disabled:

List the dates of employment for this job:

Is the victim currently working?     Yes     No     Do Not Know

If No, date of last day of work:

Select all other types of compensation other than traditional pay that the victim received:

- Incentive Pay     Bonuses     Tips     Overtime     Longevity     Shift Differential
- Other – specify:

Did the victim receive health care benefits through this employer?     Yes     No     Do Not Know

Did the victim receive any other benefits from this employer?     Yes     No     Do Not Know

If Yes, identify:

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**27. Did the victim's employer offer a Defined Benefit Pension Plan?**

- Yes    No    Do Not Know

If **Yes**, is the victim currently receiving a pension?

- Yes    No    Do Not Know

If **Yes**, complete the table below:

Pension Amount (Dollar Amount \$)	Frequency (Weekly, Bi-weekly, Monthly or Quarterly)	Type of Pension (Regular, Service or Disability)

**Did the victim's employer offer a Defined Contribution Plan, for example, a 401(k) or 403(b)?**

- Yes    No    Do Not Know

If **Yes**, was the percentage matching contribution higher than 4%?    Yes    No

If **Yes**, please indicate the percentage:

**COLLATERAL SOURCE PAYMENTS**

You are required to identify any compensation or benefits the victim has received, or is entitled to receive, from other sources with regards to his or her physical injury or condition as a result of the terrorist-related aircraft crashes of September 11, 2001 or the debris removal efforts. Under the Air Transportation Safety and System Stabilization Act, Public Law 107-42 (2001), the Special Master is required to reduce the compensation award by the amount of collateral source compensation the victim has received, or is entitled to receive, as a result of the terrorist-related aircraft crashes of September 11, 2001 or the debris removal efforts.

**28. Has the victim applied to receive any payments from the Social Security Administration or from workers' compensation programs as a result of the 9/11-related physical injury or condition? This includes uniformed service benefits similar to Social Security or workers' compensation.**

- Yes    No    Do Not Know

If **Yes**, identify the program(s) or benefit(s) applied for and the status of the application:

Program(s) / Benefit(s)	Status (Approved, Denied, or Pending)

**29. Has the victim received, or is entitled to receive, payments from a private disability insurance carrier as a result of the 9/11-related physical injury or condition?**

- Yes  No  Do Not Know

If **Yes**, was this coverage held personally or through the victim's employer?

- Personally Held  Through Employer

Is the victim currently receiving these disability payments?  Yes  No  Do Not Know

**30. Has the victim received, or is entitled to receive, any other payments as compensation for, or in response to, the 9/11-related physical injury or condition, such as a Public Safety Officers' Benefit payment? You do not need to include any charitable contributions.**

- Yes  No  Do Not Know

If **Yes**, identify and describe below the payments the victim received:

**PART IV- OTHER INFORMATION IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION**

Use the area below (and any additional pages) to provide any other information that you believe may be relevant to the individual circumstances of your claim and the calculation of the economic and non-economic loss or collateral offsets. You may also submit any additional documents not already requested that you believe might be relevant.

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**By submitting this form, you are agreeing that you understand the notices below (continued on the following page) regarding your waiver of rights, the Privacy Act, and authorization to communicate with your attorney or other authorized representative.**

**Waiver of Right to file Lawsuit:**

By submitting this form, you are waiving the right to file a civil action (or to be a party to any action) in any Federal or State court for damages sustained as a result of the terrorist-related aircraft crashes of September 11, 2001. For claimants filing on a victim's behalf, this waiver may apply to anyone who might seek to represent that victim in such an action. The waiver does not apply to a civil action to recover collateral source compensation, or to a civil action against any person who is a knowing participant in any conspiracy to hijack any aircraft or commit a terrorist act.

**Privacy Act Notice:**

By submitting this form, you are authorizing the U.S. Department of Justice to collect this information as allowed by the September 11<sup>th</sup> Victim Compensation Fund of 2001, Title IV of Public Law 107-42, Air Transportation Safety and System Stabilization Act, 49 U.S.C. § 40101 note, as amended by the James Zadroga 9/11 Health and Compensation Act of 2010, Title II of Public Law 111-347, and reauthorized by the James Zadroga 9/11 Victim Compensation Fund Reauthorization Act, Division O, Title IV of Public Law 114-113. The information you submit in your claim is for official use by the U.S. Department of Justice for the purposes of determining your eligibility for, and the amount of, compensation you may receive under your claim to the Victim Compensation Fund. Provision of this information is voluntary; however, failure to provide complete information may result in a delay in processing or a denial of your claim. Information you submit regarding your claim may be disclosed by the Department of Justice only in accordance with the provisions of the Privacy Act, and for the routine uses indicated below:

1. Where a record, either alone or in conjunction with other information, indicates a violation or potential violation of law – criminal, civil, or regulatory in nature – to the appropriate federal, state, local, territorial, tribal, or foreign law enforcement authority or other appropriate entity charged with the responsibility for investigating or prosecuting such violation or charged with enforcing or implementing such law.
2. To any person or entity that the Special Master or the Special Master's designee has reason to believe possesses information regarding a matter relating to the Victim Compensation Fund or the administration thereof, to the extent deemed to be necessary by the Special Master or her designee in order to elicit such information or cooperation from the recipient for use in the performance of an authorized activity of the Fund.
3. In an appropriate proceeding before a court, grand jury, or administrative or adjudicative body, when the Department of Justice determines that the records are arguably relevant to the proceeding; or in an appropriate proceeding before an administrative or adjudicative body when the adjudicator determines the records to be relevant to the proceeding.
4. To an actual or potential party to litigation or the party's authorized representative for the purpose of negotiation or discussion of such matters as settlement, plea bargaining, or in informal discovery proceedings.
5. To the news media and the public, when information related to a claim is at issue in another civil or criminal proceeding, unless it is determined that release of the specific information in the context of a particular case could constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.
6. To contractors, grantees, experts, consultants, students, and others performing or working on a contract, service, grant, cooperative agreement, or other assignment for the federal government, when necessary to accomplish an agency function related to the administration of the Fund.
7. To a former employee of the Department for purposes of: responding to an official inquiry by a federal, state, or local government entity or professional licensing authority, in accordance with applicable Department regulations; or facilitating communications with a former employee that may be necessary for personnel-related or other official purposes where the Department requires

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information and/or consultation assistance from the former employee regarding a matter within that person's former area of responsibility.

8. To a Member of Congress or staff acting upon the Member's behalf when the Member or staff requests the information on behalf of, and at the request of, the individual who is the subject of the record.

9. To the National Archives and Records Administration for purposes of records management inspections conducted under the authority of 44 U.S.C. §§ 2904 and 2906.

10. To such recipients and under such circumstances and procedures as are mandated by federal statute or treaty.

11. Records relating to an individual who was notified that a Victim Compensation Fund award was subject to rescission or recoupment, and that the paid award amount was to be returned to the United States, where the individual has not complied, may be referred to the U.S. Department of the Treasury for collection under the Treasury Offset Program, as authorized by 31 U.S.C. 3716 and other applicable law.

By this submission, you authorize the U.S. Department of Justice to disclose any records or information relating to your Victim Compensation Fund claim for the routine uses identified above and for the purpose of determining qualification and/or compensation of your claim specifically to: agency contractors assisting in the administration of the Victim Compensation Fund; other federal, state, or local agencies, including the U.S. Department of Treasury and NIOSH; and other individuals or entities having information related to the claim, such as physicians, medical service providers, insurers, and employers.

**Communication with your Attorney or Authorized Representative:**

By submitting this form, you are authorizing the Special Master, the Special Master's designees, the U.S. Department of Justice or agency contractors assisting in the administration of the Victim Compensation Fund to contact your attorney or other persons authorized to act on your behalf (if identified in Part I. of this form) if the Special Master needs additional information or clarification about your claim.

**Paperwork Reduction Act Notice:**

This request is in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. An agency may not conduct or sponsor an information collection and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a currently valid OMB approval number. We try to create forms and instructions that are accurate, can be easily understood, and that impose the least possible burden on you. It is estimated that respondents will complete the paper form in an average of 2 hours and the electronic form in an average of 1.5 hours.

Comments concerning the accuracy of this burden estimate and suggestions for reducing this burden should be directed to the Office of the Special Master, U.S. Department of Justice, 950 Pennsylvania Ave, NW, Washington, DC 20530; OMB control number 1105-0092.

[Empty box for SSN or National ID Number]

**Instructions:** Please review the following statements and initial where indicated. Sign and date the form, and print your name at the end of the form.

*For all claimants, please initial in acknowledgement of the following:*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Initials  
**I Understand** that the submission of this claim authorizes the Department of Justice to collect this information under the Privacy Act and I have read and understand the Privacy Act Notice provided. Consistent with that Notice, **I Consent** to the disclosure of any records or information relating to my Victim Compensation Fund claim for the routine uses described in that Notice, and I **Further Authorize** such disclosures for the purpose of determining qualification and/or compensation of my claim to: agency contractors assisting in the administration of the Victim Compensation Fund; other federal, state, or local agencies, including the U.S. Department of Treasury and NIOSH; and other individuals or entities having information related to the claim, such as physicians, medical service providers, insurers, and employers.

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Initials  
**I Certify** that the information provided in this application and any documents provided in support of this claim are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge, and I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. **I Understand** that false statements or claims made in connection with the application may result in fines, imprisonment and/or any other remedy available by law to the Federal Government, including as provided in 18 U.S.C. § 1001, and that claims that appear to be potentially fraudulent or to contain false information will be forwarded to federal, state, and local law enforcement authorities for possible investigation and prosecution.

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Initials  
**I Authorize** the U.S. Department of Justice to obtain any information relating to my claim under the September 11th Victim Compensation Fund of 2001 (Victim Compensation Fund or VCF) for the purpose of evaluating my claim for compensation to the VCF from individuals; employers; hospitals; medical service providers; other federal, state, or local agencies; or other sources having information relating to my claim. This information may include, but is not limited to, medical, government, and financial information (including pension records, pension files, or pension information) about me or the individual whom I represent. **I Further Authorize** individuals, entities, and federal, state and local agencies including NIOSH and the WTCHP, having information pertinent to my claim, to release such information to a duly accredited representative of the U.S. Department of Justice during the review of my claim to the Victim Compensation Fund, regardless of any previous agreement to the contrary. Copies of this authorization that show my signature are as valid as the original release signed by me. I acknowledge that I have the right to revoke this Authorization at any time, except to the extent that VCF and the entities listed above have already acted based on this Authorization. I understand that the knowing and willful request for, or acquisition of, a record pertaining to an individual under false pretenses is a criminal offense subject to a \$5,000 fine.

For claimants with an attorney or other authorized representative or alternative contact, please initial in acknowledgement of the following:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Initials  
**I Authorize** the Special Master, the Special Master's designees, the United States Department of Justice or agency contractors assisting in the administration of the Victim Compensation Fund to contact my attorney or other persons authorized to act on my behalf.

For claimants filing on behalf of a deceased individual, please initial in acknowledgement of the following:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Initials  
**I Certify** that I have provided the required Notice of Filing of Claim to all of the decedent's living relatives and potentially interested parties by either personal delivery or certified mail, return receipt requested, and that I am not aware of anyone else to whom such notice should be provided. **I also Authorize** the U.S. Department of Justice to publish my name as well as the name of the deceased individual on whose behalf I am seeking compensation.

_____ <b>Signature of Claimant or Authorized Representative</b>	_____ <b>Date of Signature (mm/dd/yyyy)</b>
_____ <b>Print Name</b>	



**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR CLAIMS FILED FOR DECEASED INDIVIDUALS**

This section is for claimants who are filing a claim on behalf of a deceased individual. This includes decedents who died as a result of their September 11th-related physical injuries or conditions, and those who have died due to other causes.

**1. Have you been appointed by a court as the Personal Representative for the deceased individual?**  
 Yes  No

If **No**, have you attempted to be appointed the Personal Representative by a court?  Yes  No

If **Yes**, explain why you were not appointed as the Personal Representative by a court or attach a statement to your claim form with the explanation.

**2. Did the Decedent leave a will?**  
 Yes  No  Do Not Know

**3. Did the decedent previously file a Personal Injury claim with the re-opened September 11th Victim Compensation Fund?**  
 Yes  No  Do Not Know

If **Yes**, enter the claim number here if known: VCF \_\_\_\_\_

**4. Did the decedent die as a result of his or her 9/11-related physical injury?**  
 Yes  No  Do Not Know

If **Yes**, continue to Question 5. If **No** or **Do Not Know**, skip to Question 8.

**INFORMATION ABOUT ADDITIONAL LOSS FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO DIED AS A RESULT OF THEIR 9/11-RELATED PHYSICAL INJURIES OR CONDITIONS**

You may claim additional loss for an individual who died as a result of their 9/11-related physical injuries or conditions. These claims for loss are not applicable for individuals who did not die as result of their 9/11-related injuries or conditions. If the decedent died of other causes, please do not complete this section.

**5. Do you seek compensation for any out-of-pocket burial or memorial service expenses?**  
 Yes  No

**6. How many people (other than the decedent) were living in the decedent's household at the time of the decedent's death?**

In the table below, list each individual who lived in the household:

Full Name	Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)	Relationship to Decedent

[Empty box for SSN or National ID Number]

**7. Were there any individuals who were not living in the household who were receiving substantial financial support from the decedent at the time of death?**

- Yes  No  Do Not Know

If **Yes**, list each individual in the table below:

Full Name	Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)	Relationship to Decedent	Type and amount of financial support provided

**COLLATERAL SOURCE PAYMENTS FOR DECEDENTS' BENEFICIARIES**

This section is applicable for individuals who died as a result of their 9/11-related physical injuries or conditions. The questions apply to the collateral source payments received by the decedent's beneficiaries as a result of his or her death.

Identify any compensation or benefits the decedent's beneficiaries or estate received, or are entitled to receive, from non-VCF sources as a result of the terrorist-related aircraft crashes of September 11, 2001 or the debris removal efforts. For example, if the decedent's beneficiaries received insurance or a specific payment from an employer that is not part of the normal compensation, these might be considered "collateral source" payments. Under the statute, the Special Master is required to reduce the compensation award by the amount of collateral source compensation a decedent or a decedent's beneficiaries or estate has received, or are entitled to receive, as a result of the terrorist-related aircraft crashes of September 11, 2001 or the debris removal efforts. Note: Settlement payments from September 11th-related lawsuits do not need to be listed again in this section.

**8. Have the decedent's beneficiaries received or applied for any benefits from a death benefit program as a result of the decedent's death (other than insurance and charitable contributions)? Examples of these benefits include Public Safety Officer Benefit payments or Dependency and Indemnity Compensation.**

- Yes  No  Do Not Know

**9. Have the decedent's beneficiaries applied to receive any payments from the Social Security Administration, workers' compensation programs, life insurance payments, or accidental death and dismemberment ("ADD") payments as a result of the decedent's death? This includes uniformed service benefits similar to Social Security or workers' compensation.**

- Yes  No  Do Not Know

If you answered **Yes** to either Questions 8 or 9 above, **OR** if beneficiaries have received any other payments as a result of the decedent's death, other than from charitable contributions, list them in the table below:

Source of Collateral Death Benefits (e.g. SSA*, Workers' Compensation, Life or ADD Insurance)	Status of the Application (Granted, Denied, Pending or Do Not Know)	Full Name of each beneficiary who has, is, or will be receiving payments:

\* Complete an Exhibit 1 – SSA Authorization for each beneficiary who is receiving SSA survivor benefits. The authorization can be found under "Forms and Resources" on the www.vcf.gov website.

**10. Have the Decedent's beneficiaries received any other payments as a result of the Decedent's death (excluding charitable contributions)?**

- Yes  No  Do Not Know

If **Yes**, explain:

**Notice to Individuals of Filing of Claim**

You are required to notify the following people that you are filing a claim on behalf of the decedent:

- ✓ The immediate family of the decedent (including, but not limited to, the spouse, former spouse(s), children, other dependents, siblings, and parents);
- ✓ The executor/administrator and beneficiaries of the decedent's will;
- ✓ The beneficiaries of the decedent's life insurance policies; and,
- ✓ Any other person who may reasonably be expected to assert an interest in an award or to have a cause or action to recover damages relating to the wrongful death of the decedent.

*The "Forms and Resources" page of the VCF website contains the notice you must provide to the required individuals. You are required to provide this notice to everyone in the four categories above, even if they are not included in the decedent's will.*

Please complete the information in the following sections:

**A. Decedent's Mother – this individual is:**

- Deceased – *only name is required*  Living but address unknown  Living and information below:

Last Name		First Name	Middle Name
Mailing Address			Apartment/Suite Number
City	State/Province	Zip/Postal Code	Country (if not the U.S.)
Email Address			Telephone Number

**B. Decedent's Father – this individual is:**

- Deceased – *only name is required*  Living but address unknown  Living and information below:

Last Name		First Name	Middle Name
Mailing Address			Apartment/Suite Number
City	State/Province	Zip/Postal Code	Country (if not the U.S.)
Email Address			Telephone Number

Victim's SSN or National ID Number:

**C. Did the decedent have a spouse or partner?**

- Yes – spouse    Yes – partner    No

If **Yes** – this individual is:

- Deceased – *only name is required*    Living but address unknown    Living and information below:

Last Name		First Name	Middle Name
Mailing Address			Apartment/Suite Number
City	State/Province	Zip/Postal Code	Country (if not the U.S.)
Email Address			Telephone Number

**D. Did the decedent have a former spouse or partner?**

- Yes – former spouse    Yes – former partner    No

If **Yes** – this individual is:

- Deceased – *only name is required*    Living but address unknown    Living and information below:

Last Name		First Name	Middle Name
Mailing Address			Apartment/Suite Number
City	State/Province	Zip/Postal Code	Country (if not the U.S.)
Email Address			Telephone Number

*Appendix A continues on the next page.*

**E. Did the decedent have siblings?**

Yes  No

If **Yes**, indicate how many siblings the decedent had, including siblings who are deceased:

Complete the information below for each sibling. If the decedent had more than two siblings, identify each sibling by copying this page, completing a section for each sibling, and including the additional page(s) with the claim form submittal:

**Sibling 1 – this individual is:**

Deceased – *only name is required*     Living but address unknown     Living and information below:

Last Name		First Name	Middle Name
Mailing Address			Apartment/Suite Number
City	State/Province	Zip/Postal Code	Country (if not the U.S.)
Email Address			Telephone Number

**Sibling 2 – this individual is:**

Deceased – *only name is required*     Living but address unknown     Living and information below:

Last Name		First Name	Middle Name
Mailing Address			Apartment/Suite Number
City	State/Province	Zip/Postal Code	Country (if not the U.S.)
Email Address			Telephone Number

*Appendix A continues on the next page.*

[Empty box for SSN or National ID Number]

**F. Did the decedent have dependents (including biological or adopted children)?**

Yes  No

If **Yes**, indicate how many dependents the decedent had, including dependents who are deceased: [Empty box]

Complete the information below for each dependent. If the decedent had more than two dependents, identify each dependent by copying this page, completing a section for each dependent, and including the additional page(s) with the claim form submittal:

**Child/Dependent 1 – this individual is:**

Deceased – *only name is required*     Living but address unknown     Living and information below:

Last Name		First Name		Middle Name
Mailing Address				Apartment/Suite Number
City	State/Province	Zip/Postal Code	Country (if not the U.S.)	
Email Address				Telephone Number

**Child/Dependent 2 – this individual is:**

Deceased – *only name is required*     Living but address unknown     Living and information below:

Last Name		First Name		Middle Name
Mailing Address				Apartment/Suite Number
City	State/Province	Zip/Postal Code	Country (if not the U.S.)	
Email Address				Telephone Number

**G. Are there any other potential beneficiaries or persons who may have an interest in the claim?**

Yes  No

If **Yes**, complete the information below:

Last Name		First Name		Middle Name
Mailing Address				Apartment/Suite Number
City	State/Province	Zip/Postal Code	Country (if not the U.S.)	
Email Address				Telephone Number

[Empty box for SSN or National ID Number]

**PRESENCE AT THE PENTAGON AND SHANKSVILLE, PA SITES**

If the victim was present at both the Pentagon and Shanksville, PA sites, provide two complete copies of this appendix with your claim form, completing one for each site.

**1. Select the sites at which the victim was present at some point during the time period beginning September 11, 2001 through May 30, 2002.**

- Pentagon
- Shanksville, PA

**2. Why was the victim present at the site during the time period beginning September 11, 2001 through May 30, 2002?**

- Part of the rescue, recovery, and debris clean-up  
Was the victim acting in a capacity as a responder?  Yes  No
- Through his or her ordinary employment as a non-responder
- Other – *specify and skip to Question 7.*

**3. What is the name of the entity the victim was affiliated with when present during the time period beginning September 11, 2001 through May 30, 2002?**

**4. Indicate below if the victim was an employee, a contractor, or a volunteer with the entity named in Question 3:**

**Employee**

Provide the employer's address, including a name and contact information for any known supervisors/points of contact:

List the victim's dates of employment with this organization:

Is this employer still in business?  Yes  No  Do Not Know

**Contractor**

Provide the employer's name and address, including contact information for any known supervisors/points of contact:

List the victim's dates of employment with this organization:

Is this employer still in business?  Yes  No  Do Not Know

**Volunteer**

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5. If the victim was a member of an employee union when working or volunteering at the site, identify the union:
  
6. Identify the dates (or range of dates) on which the victim was at the site from September 11, 2001 through May 30, 2002:
  
7. Approximately how any hours per day was the victim present on the dates listed above?
  
8. Was the victim present at the site during the time period beginning September 11, 2001 through May 30, 2002 in a capacity other than those listed in the previous questions?

Yes  No

If **Yes**, explain what the victim was doing at the site:

SAMPLE - DO NOT FILE



**PRIVATE PHYSICIAN PACKET – NYC EXPOSURE ZONE**

Complete this form if the victim was present in the **NYC Disaster Area** and has been treated by a physician outside of the WTC Health Program for one or more claimed conditions.

The NYC disaster area as defined in the Zadroga Act for purposes of evaluating eligibility under the WTC Health Program consists of the area of Manhattan that is south of Houston Street; AND any block in Brooklyn that is wholly or partially contained within a 1.5-mile radius of the former World Trade Center site; AND any area related to, or along, routes of debris removal, such as barges and Fresh Kills. See <http://www.cdc.gov/wtc/define.html>.

For the purposes of completing this form, please use the following definitions:

- A **Responder** is a worker or volunteer who provided rescue, recovery, demolition, debris removal, and related support services in the aftermath of the September 11, 2001 attacks on the World Trade Center.
- A **Non-Responder** is a person who was present in the “NYC disaster area” in the aftermath of the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center as a result of their work, residence, or attendance at school, childcare, or adult daycare.

*If the victim is claiming ONLY traumatic injuries or musculoskeletal disorders (e.g., low back pain, carpal tunnel syndrome, etc.) do not complete this form. In order for these conditions to be found eligible, the claimant must show where and when the injury occurred and its relationship to the events of 9/11.*

**1. Victim's Name:**

First	Middle	Last

**2. Provide the dates of response and recovery service for responders. If a non-responder, provide the dates the victim was present in the zone (i.e., living, working, or visiting).**

**Start Date**  
(mm/dd/yyyy)

**Finish Date**  
(mm/dd/yyyy)

**Comments**  
(optional)

**3. Was the victim in the NYC disaster area at any time ON September 11, 2001?**

Yes  No

If **Yes**, Check the option that provides the most relevant description:

- Directly in the cloud of dust (or “blackout”) from the collapse of the WTC buildings
- Exposed to significant amounts of dust but not directly in the cloud of dust from the collapse of the WTC buildings
- Exposed to some dust but not in the cloud of dust from the collapse of the WTC buildings
- Not exposed to dust and not in the cloud of dust from the collapse of the WTC buildings
- Do Not Know

You only need to complete Questions 4-6 if you are a responder. If you are a non-responder, skip to question 7.

**4. If the victim was a responder, please identify the specific location of the victim's response activity ON September 11, 2001:**

**5. Indicate the estimated duration of exposure for each of the different relevant exposure timeframes listed in the table below:**

Relevant Exposure Timeframes	Estimated Total Duration of Exposure*	Location Where Activities Were Performed
September 11 – 14, 2001		
September 15 – 30, 2001		
October 1, 2001 – July 31, 2002		

\* Total Duration of Exposure is the number of hours that the victim performed rescue, recovery, demolition, debris removal, and related support services ("Response Activities") or lived, worked, went to school, commuted or visited ("Non-Response Activities") while within the NYC disaster area.

**6. Indicate in the table below the location(s) where the victim performed the response activities and the jobs/tasks performed.**

**Location of response activities (check all that apply):**

- On the pile/in the pit
- Adjacent to the pile/pit
- Landfill
- Other Location (specify):
- Barges/loading piers
- Elsewhere south of Canal Street
- Do Not Know

**Job/task (check all that apply):**

- Body bag work
- Bucket brigade
- Cable installation/repair/splicing (excluding work performed in manholes)
- Cable installation/repair/splicing (including work performed in manholes)
- Canteen services
- Counselor
- Custodian
- Dog Handler
- Dust suppression
- Other - specify:
- EMT
- Escorting
- Excavation/confined space work
- Firefighter
- Industrial hygiene
- Morgue work
- Perimeter security
- Sanitation worker
- Search and rescue
- Sifting (excluding conveyor belt)
- Sifting (including conveyor belt)
- Torch cutting or burning
- Towing
- Truck loading/unloading
- Truck routing
- Work with concrete

**7. If the victim's activities were not as a responder, indicate the location(s) where the victim lived, worked, went to school, commuted or visited the NYC disaster area. Check all that apply.**

- Worker in one of the WTC towers
- Worker in surrounding offices, stores, restaurants, or other workplace
- Patron of surrounding stores, offices, or restaurants
- Student or staff at school or preschool
- Adult in daycare or staff at a daycare center
- In transit – describe:
  
- At place of residence – provide address:
  
- Other Location – specify:

**8. Indicate the victim's relative amount of dust/fume/smoke exposure while performing the jobs/tasks/activities described in Question 7 for each time period listed in the table below. Check all that apply.**

Time Period during which Jobs/Tasks were Performed	Heavy visible layer of dust and/or smell of WTC smoke	Light visible layer of dust and/or smell of WTC smoke	No visible layer of dust and/or smell of WTC smoke
September 11 – 14, 2001	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
September 15 – 30, 2001	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
October 1, 2001 – July 31, 2002	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**PRIVATE PHYSICIAN PACKET – PENTAGON AND SHANKSVILLE, PA  
DISASTER AREAS**

Complete this form if the victim was present at the Pentagon or Shanksville, PA sites and has been treated by a physician outside of the WTC Health Program for one or more claimed conditions. For the purposes of completing this form, please use the following definitions:

- A **Responder** is a worker or volunteer who provided rescue, recovery, demolition, debris removal, and related support services in the aftermath of the September 11, 2001 attacks on the Pentagon or the Shanksville, Pennsylvania site.
- A **Non-Responder** is a person who was present at the Pentagon in the aftermath of the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks as a result of their work, residence, or attendance at school, childcare, or adult daycare.

**Victim's Name:**

First	Middle	Last

*If the victim was a **Responder** to the Pentagon or Shanksville, Pennsylvania site, complete this form starting on this page. If the victim was a **Non-Responder** at the Pentagon, complete this form starting on page D-2.*

**Responder at the Pentagon or Shanksville, PA Sites:**

**1. Indicate the site where the victim was located:**

- Pentagon
- Shanksville, PA

Specify the exact Location:

**2. Average hours per day at the specified location:**

**3. Estimated total time engaged in response and recovery work:**

Days                      Weeks                      Months

Comments:

**4. Describe the activities the victim was engaged in while responding to this event, noting the approximate locations that these activities occurred:**

5. Describe the type of exposure hazards that you believe were encountered during the response activities:
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
6. Describe the adequacy of the Personal Protective Equipment ("PPE") that was utilized during the response activities, noting any breaches of this PPE that may have occurred:
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
7. Optional – use this space to provide additional comments for consideration:

**NON-Responder at the Pentagon or Shanksville, PA Sites**

1. Immediately following the September 11, 2001 terrorist attack, where was the victim located?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. How long was the victim located at the site?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. Describe the circumstances surrounding the victim's presence at the site:
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
4. Optional – use this space to provide additional comments for consideration:

# DOCUMENT CHECKLIST

In order to begin review of your claim, the VCF needs your completed claim form and certain required documents to support your claim. This checklist explains the documents you must provide based on the circumstances of your claim. A notation of "N/A" means documents are not required for that scenario.

The VCF will accept copies of most documents. You are only required to provide an original where it is specifically noted on the checklist.

**The VCF keeps all documents. Please make copies of any documents you submit.**

Carefully review the information in each section and use this checklist to confirm you have all the required documentation ready to be mailed to the VCF with your claim form. You do not need to submit this checklist with your claim. This list includes what is needed for processing most claims; however, based on your specific circumstances, the VCF may contact you for additional documentation once we begin review of your claim.

If you have any questions or need assistance with this checklist, please visit the VCF website at [www.vcf.gov](http://www.vcf.gov) or call the toll-free Helpline at 1-855-885-1555. Foreign language interpreters are available.

DOCUMENTS APPLICABLE TO ALL CLAIMANTS	Documents Required
<b>1. Documents Required for Processing:</b>	
September 11 <sup>th</sup> Victim Compensation Fund Claim Form Signature Page.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
Exhibit A – “Authorization for Release of Medical Records”. <b>This document must be completed and mailed to the VCF with original signatures.</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
Information directing the VCF how to make any payment on your claim: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If you are not represented by an attorney, or if you and your attorney have agreed that you will be paid directly, submit the VCF ACH Payment Information Form.</li> <li>• If you are represented by an attorney, and you have agreed that payment on your claim will be made to your attorney’s bank account, your attorney will provide you with a document to sign to authorize the payment. <b>This document must be mailed to the VCF with an original signature.</b></li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
<b>2. Proof of Presence at a 9/11 Crash Site between September 11, 2001 and May 30, 2002:</b>	
If the victim was an active firefighter working for FDNY on September 11, 2001, we will obtain verification of presence directly from the FDNY. You do not need to submit any documentation for proof of presence.	N/A
If the victim received an award through the original September 11th Victim Compensation Fund that operated from 2001-2004, you do not need to submit proof of presence again.	N/A
You must submit at least two forms of written proof showing the victim was present at the site. Upload each document separately. Below are examples of types of documents that can be used to show proof of presence. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Employer records</b> confirming presence – such as a letter from the employer confirming work at the site, an official personnel roster and site credentials confirming work at the site, workers’ injury reports (documenting injury at the site), or a pay stub showing dates of work and location at the site.</li> <li>• <b>Proof of residence</b> in the area during the relevant time period – such as rent or mortgage receipts, utility bills and proof that the victim was physically present at the site between September 11, 2001 and May 30, 2002. A sworn statement from a witness who can attest to your presence at the residence is sufficient.</li> <li>• <b>Any contemporaneous document</b> that shows the victim’s location at the site – such as orders, instructions, confirmation of tasks performed, medical records (documenting treatment as a result of injury that occurred at the site), or school or day care records confirming enrollment or attendance during the period.</li> <li>• <b>Sworn and notarized affidavits</b> (or unsworn statements complying with 28 U.S.C. 1746) regarding the presence of the victim from persons who can attest to the victim’s presence at a 9/11 crash site.</li> </ul>	Two (2) Required  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes

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<b>3. Physical Injury or Condition:</b>	
If the victim's 9/11-related physical injuries or conditions have been certified for treatment under the WTC Health Program after July 1, 2011, you do not need to submit any proof of physical injury.	N/A
If one or more of the victim's 9/11-related physical injuries or conditions are <b>not</b> being treated by the WTC Health Program – in addition to completing the Private Physician Packet in Appendix C of the claim form, you must submit documentation that includes proof of when each injury or condition was discovered and when each injury or condition was first treated by a medical professional.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
<b>4. Lawsuits related to September 11, 2001:</b>	
The victim did not have a lawsuit related to September 11, 2001.	N/A
<p>If the victim, a representative of the victim, a dependent, spouse, or beneficiary participated in a September 11<sup>th</sup>-related lawsuit, you must provide documents showing the lawsuit was withdrawn, settled or dismissed.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> In many cases, the VCF can obtain this information from third parties. For example, if the victim was represented by Napoli, Bern, Ripka, Shkolnik (“Napoli Bern”) in the lawsuit, you do not need to submit any documents related to the settlement because the VCF may be able to get all of the necessary information from Napoli Bern. The VCF will notify you if you need to submit any additional documents.</p> <p>For all other claimants, you must submit:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A copy of the notice of withdrawal/dismissal <i>filed on or before January 2, 2012</i> by the victim (or on behalf of the victim). This proof must include confirmation that the notice was filed with the court. For example, you can submit the actual notice showing the file stamp or a confirmation from the ECF system.</li> <li>• If the victim's lawsuit was settled with some or all parties, the VCF needs documentation showing the amount of the settlement and the release of the lawsuit.</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
<b>5. Non-Economic Loss (i.e. pain and suffering):</b>	
<p>These documents are optional and you are not required to submit them in order to receive compensation for non-economic loss; however, they can be useful in making a determination on your claim.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An impact statement describing the effect of the September 11<sup>th</sup>-related physical injury or condition on the victim's life.</li> <li>• Medical records showing the severity of the conditions.</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/> (Optional)

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# DOCUMENT CHECKLIST

The following sections are only applicable if you are claiming the specific type of loss or if they apply to your specific situation. Please review the information and follow the guidance if appropriate for your claim.

<b>DOCUMENTS REQUIRED ONLY IF APPLICABLE TO YOUR CLAIM</b>	<b>Documents Required</b>
<b>1. Replacement Services:</b>	
<p>You must submit the following to support your claim for replacement services:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For any claim of <b>replacement services loss to date</b>, documentation such as invoices or receipts showing services rendered and payments received.</li> <li>• For any claim of <b>future replacement services</b>, documentation of type and cost of replacement services expected to be incurred in the future (e.g., estimates or price quotes for future services), and medical records showing the victim’s inability to perform these activities.</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
<b>2. Loss of Past Earnings:</b>	
<p>You must submit the following to support your claim for loss of past earnings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Exhibit 1 – “<i>Social Security Administration Consent Form.</i>”</li> <li>• Documents showing the victim did not work and was not paid for the time not worked. Examples include: a letter from the victim’s employer, copies of pay statements that show a reduction in work, or a year-end pay summary.</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes
<b>3. Loss of Future Earnings:</b>	
<p>You must submit the following to support your claim of loss of future earnings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Exhibit 1 - “<i>Social Security Administration Consent Form.</i>”</li> <li>• For retired New York City Employees (NYPD, FDNY, other NYC agencies) – please submit Exhibit B1 – “<i>Authorization for Release of Pension Records and Health Information by New York Individuals and Entities.</i>”</li> <li>• If the victim was deemed disabled by their physician, you must provide the medical records documenting that determination and from what condition(s).</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes
<p>To claim loss of health care benefits, you must submit the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Documentation about the health care plan from the provider; or documents or benefits statement from the employer, including statements supporting the value of the health care plan.</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
<p>To claim pension loss, you must submit the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Documentation from the victim’s employer providing an explanation of how the pension was calculated. If the pension offers different payment options, please provide the document the victim received outlining those options.</li> <li>• A letter from the victim’s employer stating that the pension has been finalized and the monthly and annual amount of the pension being received.</li> </ul> <p>As each pension plan is unique, please see the VCF website for more information on documents to support loss of pension.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes
<b>4. Collateral Source Payments:</b>	
<p>Submit both of the following documents, if applicable:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A copy of any pending or approved applications with the Social Security Administration and/or a Workers’ Compensation Program.</li> <li>• Documentation of the victim’s pension or other benefits, such as a pension description and statement; rulings, orders, determinations, or correspondence from the benefits program.</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes



DOCUMENT CHECKLIST

DOCUMENTS REQUIRED <i>ONLY IF APPLICABLE TO YOUR CLAIM</i>	Documents Required
<p><b>5. Victim’s Guardian, Personal Representative or Other Authorized Representative:</b> <i>If you are filing the claim on the victim’s behalf, you must submit the proper documentation to establish your authority to file the claim. Choose the applicable scenario below to identify the specific documents that are required for your situation.</i></p>	
<p>I am filing for myself.</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p><b>Personal Representative of a deceased claimant who died from an eligible 9/11-related injury or illness:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Original or a certified copy</b> of the Court Order or Letters of Administration showing your appointment as either the Personal Representative, Executor of Will, or the Administrator of the Estate.</li> <li>2. <b>Original or a certified copy</b> of the death certificate showing the cause of death. – and –</li> <li>3. You must also submit documentation to show the death was directly related to an eligible 9/11-related injury or illness:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>If the cause of the victim’s death was a condition that was certified for treatment by the WTC Health Program:</b> You do not need to submit any additional documentation.</li> <li>• <b>If the victim’s death was caused by a condition that was not certified for treatment by the WTC Health Program:</b> You will need to complete the appropriate version of the Private Physician section of the claim form and submit documentation that includes proof of when each injury or condition was discovered and when each injury or condition was first treated by a medical professional.</li> <li>• <b>If the victim died from a traumatic injury:</b> You need to provide medical records that clearly identify the claimed injury, the date and location of the injury, and the treatment.</li> </ul> </li> <li>4. If one exists, a copy of the decedent’s will.</li> </ol>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p>
<p><b>Personal Representative of a victim who died of causes <i>unrelated</i> to his or her September 11<sup>th</sup>-related physical injuries:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Original or a certified copy</b> of the Court Order or Letters of Administration showing your appointment as either the Personal Representative, Executor of Will, or the Administrator of the Estate. – and –</li> <li>2. If one exists, a copy of the decedent’s will.</li> </ol>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p>
<p><b>Parent(s) of a Minor Victim (under 18 years old):</b> You must provide both of the following documents:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Copy of the minor’s birth certificate. – and –</li> <li>2. A document showing the current status of the custody agreement (for example, a marriage license or court custody agreement).</li> </ol>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p>
<p><b>Guardian or other person with legal custody of a Minor Victim (under 18 years old):</b> You must provide one of the following documents:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Copy of the court order granting custody or appointing guardianship. – or –</li> <li>2. Copy of the will or deed appointing guardianship.</li> </ol>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p>
<p><b>Guardian of a Non-Minor Victim who is incapacitated:</b> You must submit a copy of the court order appointing guardianship.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p>

As a reminder, you do not need to submit this checklist with your claim form. If you have any questions about the appropriate documentation needed in order to file your claim, please call the VCF Helpline at 1-855-885-1555. Foreign language options and interpreters are available.