

What condition my condition was in. CA: 1975-1978

I had a 'flashback' in the fall of 1975, while attending the University of Washington, and dropped out of the U.W. in the winter of 75. I went into the V.A in the spring of 1976 and I was enrolled in their 'Day Hospital Program'.

The first thing the V.A Psychiatrist did was put me on Thorazine, up to 800 mg a day, as well as: Navane and Trillifon. It makes you stupid. I applied for service connected benefits and received a 50% rating. I filed a Notice of Disagreement through the Local VFW office in Century Square in Seattle. I saw a V.A. Doctor C. Richard Johnson in January of 1977 and was awarded a 70% service connection for Chronic Anxiety Reaction and a total rating of 100% due to employability.

Most of the following documents were found a year or more after these events happened.

On October 3, 1977 the V.A. Adjudicators issued a "Request for Medical Examination, scheduled for 11/2/77. The asked to reopen my Case) File w/ a request to Note a Report from Dr. C. Glenn Clements This document shows that the V.A. had already decided to cut my benefits by changing a Chronic Anxiety Reaction, rated at 70% w/ a 100% rating due to employability, TO: A Schizophrenia Reaction, Latent Type, Rated at 50%. Dr. C. Richard Johnson states... "THIS does not represent a change in his basic / condition, BUT, only a change in diagnosis."

On March 31, 1978 I find out that the V.A. had made a Rating decision by taking away my employability rating by changing it to a 70% rating for schizophrenia, latent type. (The V.A. did this at the end of month because they only pay you for the month at the end). Then, On April Fools Day, the next day, the V.A. cuts my rating to 50% for latent schizophrenia. This represented a loss of \$800 dollars a month. Gone, without notice.

The next exhibit is the Report from C. Glenn Clements, dated: 10-22-87. Dr. Clements states in the report that based on the medications the VA gave me; I was being treated for Schizophrenia and not just being depressed or anxious. His diagnosis: Schizophrenia, latent type. He also states "I feel he is incapacitated for work at this time, due to his mental illness.