law of the United States or under a program or pension system set up by the agency or instrumentality.

*Post-World War II period* means the time period July 25, 1947, through December 31, 1956.

*Reserve component* means Army Reserve, Naval Reserve, Marine Corps Reserve, Air Force Reserve, Coast Guard Reserve, National Guard of the United States or Air National Guard of the United States.

*Resided in the United States* means an individual had a place where he or she lived, whether permanently or temporarily, in the United States and was bodily present in that place.

*Survivor* means you are a parent, widow, divorced wife, widower, or child of a deceased veteran or member of a uniformed service.

*United States* means the 50 States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, and American Samoa.

*Veteran* means an individual who served in the active military or naval service of the United States and was discharged or released from that service under conditions other than dishonorable. For a more detailed definition of the World War II veteran and a post-World War II veteran, see §§404.1310 and 404.1320.

*Wage credit* means a dollar amount we add to the earnings record of a veteran of the World War II or the post-World War II period. It is also a dollar amount we add to the earnings record of a member of a uniformed service who was on active duty from 1957 through 2001. The amount is set out in the Act and is added for each month, calendar quarter, or calendar year of service as required by law.

We, us, or our means the Social Security Administration.

*World War II period* means the time period September 16, 1940, through July 24, 1947.

You or your means a veteran, a veteran’s survivor or a member of a uniformed service applying for or entitled to a social security benefit or a lump-sum death payment.