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are medically disqualified for military service or the rank required to hold their positions).

(c)(1) Military reserve technicians have not retired as a result of a medical disability if they retire under section 8414(c) of title 5, United States Code (allowing retirement by military reserve technicians who may not be disabled for their positions, but are medically or nonmedically disqualified for military service or the rank required to hold the position, and who are at least age 50 with 25 years of service), unless they provide OPM official documentation showing that their disqualification was for medical reasons.

(2) When OPM receives no information about the reason for the disqualification of a military reserve technician retiring under section 8414(c) of title 5, United States Code, OPM will process the case assuming that the disqualification was for nonmedical reasons. OPM will inform these retirees that they will not receive COLA's until they reach age 62 unless they provide an official certification from the military showing that their disqualification was for medical reasons.

# Subpart H—Waiver of Benefits

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# §841.801 Purpose.

This subpart regulates the statutory provision on waiver of annuity benefits under the Federal Employees' Retirement System.

### §841.802 Definitions.

As used in this subpart—

Annuitant means a person receiving or who is entitled and has made application to receive retirement or survivor benefits under subchapter II, IV, or V of chapter 84 of title 5, United States Code.

Annuity means the gross monthly annuity rate payable before any authorized deductions (such as those for health benefits and life insurance premiums).

Qualifying court order means a court order acceptable for processing as defined in §838.103 of this chapter or a

qualifying court order as defined in §838.1003 of this chapter.

Waiver means an annuitant's written request to forfeit a specified amount of annuity as described in this subpart.

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### §841.803 Waiver of annuity.

- (a) An annuitant may decline to accept all or any part of the amount of his or her annuity by a waiver signed and filed with the Office of Personnel Management (OPM).
- (b) A waiver is effective the first day of the month following the month in which it is received in OPM, unless a later effective date is specified by the annuitant.
- (c) A waiver remains in effect until revoked or changed by the annuitant in writing, except as provided in paragraph (f) of this section. The effective date of a revocation or change will be the first day of the month following the month in which the request to revoke or change is received in OPM, unless a later date is specified by the annuitant.
- (d) The amount of annuity that is waived is forfeited during the period the waiver is in effect and cannot be recovered.
- (e) An annuity which has a waiver in effect will not be increased by cost-of-living adjustments (COLA) authorized under 5 U.S.C. 8462. Upon cancellation of a waiver, the rate of annuity will be increased by any COLA authorized during the period a waiver was in effect.
- (f) Upon the death of an annuitant with a waiver in effect, any survivor annuity payable will be authorized at the full rate of annuity as though the waiver had not been in effect, unless the survivor annuitant executes a waiver.

#### §841.804 Waivers and court orders.

The effect of a qualifying court order on a waiver is controlled by §838.111(c) of this chapter.

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