



MEB/PEB OUTREACH ATTORNEYS AND OFFICE OF SOLDIER'S COUNSEL

MEB/PEB Outreach Attorney: For an appointment with an MEB Attorney, contact SGT Andrew at (580) 442-3445. The MEB/PEB Outreach Counsel is located inside the Fort Sill Legal Assistance Center on the fourth floor of the One Stop Building at 4700 Mow Way Road.

Office of Soldier's Counsel: This office is located at Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio. An attorney from this office will be assigned to represent you if you request a formal PEB hearing. Your MEB/PEB Outreach Attorney will be able to assist you in finding out who is assigned to be your attorney.

Frequently Asked Questions about the MEB/PEB Process:

Is an attorney available to me throughout the MEB/PEB process? Yes. An MEB/PEB Outreach Attorney can answer questions regarding your legal rights throughout the MEB/PEB process. If you request a formal PEB hearing, then an attorney from the Office of Soldier's Counsel will be assigned to represent you at your hearing. These attorneys represent the Soldier during this process, not the MEB, PEB, WTU, MEDCOM, or any other command.

What can my attorney do for me? Your attorney provides general legal advice and assistance until you receive the results of the initial physical exam. As the MEB/PEB process continues, your attorney can give more specific legal advice and help you prepare any needed written responses.

Can my attorney make my doctor change his/her notes and/or my Narrative Summary on the DA Form 3947? No. Your attorney is not a doctor and cannot require a doctor to change his/her medical opinion. However, if you disagree with the medical findings on the DA Form 3947, your attorney can assist you in submitting a rebuttal.

What can I do now that will help me later during the MEB/PEB process? Get copies of all your medical records and ask for a copy of each printout after every medical appointment. You also can decide what your goal is during this process. For example, do you want to be found fit so you can return to duty? Or do you want to be separated from the military with an appropriate disability rating?

I want to be found fit for duty. What can I do to help make that happen? You can begin by talking with your doctor about possibly changing your P3 profile to a P2 profile and limiting the amount of restrictions imposed. Even absent a P2 profile, your doctor may indicate that you can perform your PMOS duties. If so, make sure your command is aware of your performance. If you cannot perform your PMOS duties, then perform duties that are as close as possible to your PMOS. Also, coordinate with your supervisor in performing as many basic soldiering skills as possible (listed on block 5 of your profile) and, if possible, take and pass a record APFT. Ensure your supervisor documents all of your efforts. This can include a letter from your chain of command supporting a finding of fit for duty. Even though the MEB may conclude that you do not meet medical retention standards, keep in mind that the PEB may nonetheless find you fit for duty depending on the circumstances.

I received my DA Form 3947 and am wondering if I should agree with it. Should I see an attorney? Yes. You should have an attorney review your MEB packet, call (580) 442-3445 for an appointment as soon as possible. You only have 7 calendar days from the time you receive the DA Form 3947 to make your election. Cont....





My case was referred by the MEB to an informal PEB. I then received a DA Form 199 and disagree with the result. What can I do? You can schedule an appointment with an MEB/PEB Outreach Attorney by calling (580) 442-3445. That attorney will discuss your case with you and will review the documents to ensure that the decision was based on appropriate factors and applicable regulations. Schedule your appointment soon after receiving the DA Form 199 because you only have 10 calendar days to respond.

I've requested a formal PEB hearing and want to be represented by an attorney. What should I do next? Coordinate with the Office of the MEB/PEB Outreach Attorneys. Someone there will find out who will be assigned to represent you from the Office of Soldier's Counsel if you want to be represented by a Government attorney. However, you may waive your right to be represented by a Government attorney and choose to be represented by a private attorney you hire at your own expense.

Can I appeal the formal PEB? Yes. Your attorney can help you identify whether there are grounds to appeal and whether doing so is in your best interest.

Remember that the MEB/PEB process has timelines that you must meet to ensure you submit your documents in time. The Office of the MEB/PEB Outreach Counsel located at Fort Sill can assist you throughout the majority of this process. Contact the Office by calling (580) 442-3445.

