

MetLife Asks Disability Insurance Attorneys Dell & Schaefer to Remove Disability Claim Forms from Website

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The forms MetLife claims are copyrighted are blank claim forms that a disability claimant must submit in order to be eligible for long term disability insurance benefits. The specific forms that MetLife wants removed from the diattorney.com website include: Attending Physician Form, Group Long Term Disability Claim Forms, Individual Disability Claimant's Statement, Individual Long Term Disability Application, and Behavorial Health Assessment. All of these disability claim forms are public record as they are available in court files around the country involving disability insurance lawsuits against MetLife.

"It never surprises me when MetLife denies a long term <u>disability claim</u>, but I was surprised that MetLife is trying to act as if their disability claim forms are top secret information. It is hard to understand why MetLife would want to try to hide their required disability claim forms," said <u>disability attorney</u> Gregory Dell.

A lot of long term disability insurance companies have their claim forms available at their websites, yet Mr. Dell states that hundreds of visitors to his website each month are specifically looking for disability insurance claim forms. Attorney Gregory Dell thinks that MetLife's August 2, 2010 written request to remove the claim forms from his law firm's website is an attempt by MetlLife to make the disability claims process a secretive and difficult process for disability insurance claimants. Lets not forget that in the 2008 US Supreme Court case of MetLife v. Glenn (no. 06-923), it was MetLife that argued they have no conflict of interest when they are the administrator and payor of a long term disability claim. Mr. Dell is hopeful that MetLife will withdraw their claim form removal request and consider the federal laws regarding the fair-use doctrine and public records exemption.

Since 1979, Disability Attorneys Dell & Schaefer have represented thousands of clients with their claims against disability insurance companies at all stages of a claim, the <u>disability application</u>, the <u>disability claim denial</u>, lawsuits to recover disability benefits and lump sum disability policy buyouts for individuals that are currently being paid disability income benefits.

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