

NOTE: This order is nonprecedential.

**United States Court of Appeals  
for the Federal Circuit**

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**RALPH DEPONTE, SR.,**  
*Claimant-Appellant,*

v.

**ERIC K. SHINSEKI, SECRETARY OF VETERANS  
AFFAIRS,**  
*Respondent-Appellee.*

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2012-7080

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Appeal from the United States Court of Appeals for  
Veterans Claims in case no. 09-4136, Judge Mary J.  
Schoelen.

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**ON MOTION**

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**O R D E R**

Ralph DePonte, Sr. moves for leave to proceed in forma  
pauperis.

Upon consideration thereof,

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

The motion is granted.

FOR THE COURT

MAR 01 2012

Date

/s/ Jan Horbaly

Jan Horbaly  
Clerk

cc: Ralph DePonte, Sr.  
Jeanne E. Davidson, Esq.

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CLERK