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Decorated Vet's Last Stand: FBI Agent Wants Supreme Court to Make VA Stop Shortchanging Veterans on GI Bill Benefits

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Misha Tseytlin, leader of Troutman Pepper's Appellate + Supreme Court Practice Group, and Tim McHugh, an associate in Troutman Pepper's Appellate + Supreme Court Practice Group, were quoted in the March 10, 2023 *Chicago Sun-Times* article, "Decorated Vet's Last Stand: FBI Agent Wants Supreme Court to Make VA Stop Shortchanging Veterans on GI Bill Benefits."

Misha Tseytlin, a Chicago partner in the law firm Troutman Pepper, is part of Rudisill's all-volunteer legal team. The lawyers argue that the VA's calculations don't make sense based on the laws themselves and also based on court rulings favoring veterans going back to World War II.

That so-called "pro-veteran canon" says that "because veterans have given so much to this nation, if there's any ambiguity, give the vets the benefit of the doubt concerning benefits," Tseytlin says.

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Tim McHugh, a former Army paratrooper who's another lawyer on Rudisill's team, says Congress' intent must be considered. "Think about what is the purpose of these programs in the first place," he says.

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