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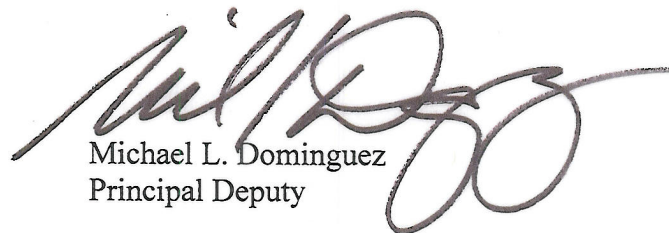
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MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE ARMY (M&RA)  
ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE NAVY (M&RA)  
ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE (MR)  
DIRECTOR, DEFENSE FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING  
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SUBJECT: DD Form 2656-10, "Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP)/Reserve Component (RC) SBP  
Request for Deemed Election"

This memorandum provides guidance for implementing DD Form 2656-10, "Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP)/Reserve Component (RC) SBP Request for Deemed Election." Effective immediately, DD Form 2656-10 is the preferred method for the former spouse of a Service member or retiree to request a deemed election for SBP benefits under Title 10, United States Code, section 1450(f)(3).

Effective 120 days after this guidance is issued, DD Form 2656-10 becomes the prescribed and only method for a former spouse or authorized agent to request a valid deemed election.

  
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