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In support of the pending claim for fibromyalgia as caused or aggravated by her service connected psychosis, see the attached nexus letter from her VAMC Rheumatologist in support. The overall evidence, despite any negative CP exam, allows for service connection on a reasonable doubt basis CFR 3.102 as well as relative equipoise in the veteran's favor as Dr. [redacted] opinion carries as much if not more probative value than any competing opinion.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

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October 11th 2018

To Whom It May Concern,

This letter certifies that Ms. [redacted] ([redacted]) is currently a patient of our rheumatology clinic at the [redacted] VA medical center, where she has been seen since May 9th 2018 for an elevated antinuclear antibody titer. While she does not have evidence of an underlying connective tissue disease, she has been diagnosed with fibromyalgia, meeting the American College of Rheumatology criteria. It is my medical opinion that it is more likely than not that her fibromyalgia symptoms are exacerbated by her history of post-traumatic stress disorder.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at [redacted] if I can be of any further assistance.

Sincerely,

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