

TODAY in NYC at 1PM: Veterans Fight for Fair Treatment of Fellow Vets

NEW YORK, NY (October 28, 2016) – Today, Friday October 28, Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America (IAVA) Senior Military Fellow, Jeremy Butler, will testify before the [New York City Council Committee](#) on Veterans in New York City at 1:00 p.m. ET in favor of Resolution 1196-2016, calling for Congress to pass the Fairness for Veterans Act (H.R. 4683/ S.1567).

The Fairness for Veterans Act targets those veterans who received an other than honorable – or “bad paper” discharge. In many cases these veterans have undiagnosed or untreated psychological injury. This legislative fix will ensure Discharge Review Boards give liberal consideration to petitions for changes to an other than honorable discharge status if a servicemember has PTSD, TBI, or related conditions in connection with their military service. It also extends the policy to military sexual trauma.

Butler’s testimony will discuss the benefits of the Fairness for Veterans Act to the post-9/11 generation of veterans and urge congressional action on this critical issue.

WHO: IAVA Senior Military Fellow, [Jeremy Butler](#)

WHEN: Friday, October 28, 2016, 1:00 p.m. ET

WHERE: [New York City Hall – Committee Room](#)

Founded in 2004, IAVA is the leading post-9/11 veteran empowerment organization (VEO) with the most diverse and rapidly growing membership in America. With a growing base of nearly 400,000 members and supporters, IAVA’s 2016 policy priorities reflect key issues affecting the post-9/11 veterans community. IAVA has been an advocate for veterans for over a decade and while IAVA members are spread throughout the nation its national headquarters is located in New York City.

Note to media: Please email press@iava.org if you would like a copy of the testimony or would like to arrange an interview with IAVA Senior Military Fellow, Jeremy Butler.