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In order to further improve the lines of communication and to respond to the concerns between the National VA Council and you our members, I have established a National VA Council Briefing. This NVAC Briefing will bring you the latest news and developments within DVA and provide you with the current status of issues this Council is currently addressing. I believe that this NVAC Briefing will greatly enhance the way in which we communicate and the way in which we share new information, keeping you better informed.

Alma L. Lee
National VA Council, President

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- **[Counsel chosen to lead class action against OPM](#)**

A U.S. District Court judge has named a San Francisco lawyer to serve as lead counsel in a consolidated class-action lawsuit filed on behalf of people whose personal information was stolen during the two data breaches of personnel and background investigation files at the Office of Personnel Management.

- **[DHS chief defends cyber progress in wake of GAO report](#)**

Homeland Security Secretary Jeh Johnson defended his department in the wake of a new report that details shortcomings with cybersecurity efforts at DHS.

- **Former postal inspector sentenced for mail theft**

A former supervisory postal inspector from Saratoga, Calif., was sentenced last week to three years in prison for possession of stolen U.S. mail and possession with intent to distribute marijuana, the Justice Department said.