

Lov om Norges Krigsskaderåd.

Act of 6th July 1951 No. 4 relating to the Norwegian Council for War Damages

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§ 1. The Norwegian Council for War Damages shall watch over and coordinate the country's preparedness concerning damage caused by war and war indemnity, ~~invalid~~ and shall control that public and private war veteran ~~invalid~~ institutions fulfill their duties in the best possible way. The following special duties are the responsibility of the council:

- a. Being advisor to the Government and public and private war veteran ~~invalid~~ institutions on the question of war damage and war indemnity.
- b. Forwarding proposals about such measures that the Council might deem necessary in order to avert or ward off damage and loss resulting from war and war-like conditions.
- c. Controlling the public and private war veteran institutions
- d. Assessing appeals over decisions made by war veteran ~~invalid~~ institutions to the extent that it is decreed that they may be brought before the Council.

§ 2. ¹ The Council for War Damages shall be appointed by the King and shall have as many members and deputies at any one time as the King so decides. The King shall decide who shall be appointed chairman and deputy chairman of the Council.

Amongst the Council members, the King will appoint a working group of at least 3 and at the most 5 members, including the Council's chairman. The working group will implement the Council's functions when it is not assembled.

At least 2 members of the Council and at least 1 member of the working group shall be ²picked from amongst the judges of the Supreme High Court.

The King may, from amongst the members of the Council appoint one or more boards of appeal which shall decide appeal cases which have been brought before the Council, see § 1, d.

Deputies may be appointed for the members of the boards of appeal. The King may give more precise regulations about the composition of these boards and their duties.

The duration of members' service and their remuneration will be established by the King.

The King may decide that the Council for War Damages can temporarily cease to function if he finds that conditions no longer demand that it be active.

¹ Fourth and fifth paragraphs have been added in the Act of 17th July 1953, No. 3

² See Act relating to Courts §§ 53 and 54

§ 3. The War Damages Council holds meetings as often as the chairman deems necessary and when at least three of the members or the Ministry so demand.¹ The Council is quorum when at least half of the members are present. The working group is quorum when at least 3 members are present.

¹ The Ministry of Social Affairs

§ 4. Public and private war veteran institutions which are active in Norway, shall within 3 months at the end of their accounting year, send to the War Damages Council their annual accounts and report on their activities.¹ IN addition the Council can demand information from war veteran institutions, general national insurance offices and public authorities and institutions which might be deemed necessary for carrying out their duties.

If the Council receives information about the operating or business secrets or other relations or conditions which are not known generally, then the Council members and possibly also the Council's personnel, are under obligation to follow restrictions stipulated according to law, in order to protect the silence about the information they have recieved.²

¹ See Act relating to Government Accounts § 339
² " " " " § 121

§ 5. The War Damages Council shall once a year present a report to the King about its activities. This report shall be presented to the Storting.

§ 6. The King shall draw up instructions for the War Damages Council and the working group and give closer rules about their activities.

The king establishes in accordance with this Act, which duties are to be regarded in the sphere of war veteran institutions.

§7. For those war veteran institutions which are being closed down when this Act is implemented, the provisions in § 4 second paragraph will apply. The act will otherwise not be applicable to them.

§ 8. This act shall come into force immediately.