

# Silver & Silver Reveals the Key Evidence That Can Make or Break a Social Security Disability Appeal

CAMDEN, NJ, UNITED STATES, June 25, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- [Silver & Silver](#), a law firm with 45 years of experience representing Pennsylvania and New Jersey residents in Social Security Disability (SSD) matters, is shedding light on the types of evidence that most often determine the outcome of an SSD appeal. The firm notes that many claimants pursue appeals without fully understanding what the Social Security Administration (SSA) actually reviews, and that gap can cost them a fair decision.

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SSD appeals often come down to consistent medical records and clear doctor statements that show real limitations, helping ensure a fair review of the case.”

*Joe Silver, partner at Silver & Silver*

When the SSA denies an initial application for Social Security Disability benefits, claimants have the right to appeal through several stages, including reconsideration, a hearing before an administrative law judge, Appeals Council review, and federal court. Each stage is an opportunity to add and clarify evidence, and the strength of that evidence often determines the result.

Medical records remain the foundation of any SSD appeal. The SSA wants to see consistent, ongoing treatment from

licensed providers, along with objective findings such as imaging studies, lab results, and clinical exam notes. Detailed statements from treating physicians describing functional limitations, meaning what a person can and cannot do, are particularly valuable, as they help the SSA evaluate whether a claimant can perform substantial work.

Work history and vocational evidence also carry significant weight. The SSA reviews a claimant's recent jobs, the physical and mental demands of those jobs, and whether the claimant could perform any other work in the national economy, given their age, education, and limitations. Vocational testimony at a hearing often plays a meaningful role in close cases.

The firm also highlights the role of personal statements and daily living evidence. Function

reports, statements from family members or former coworkers, and detailed descriptions of a claimant's day-to-day struggles all help the SSA reviewer understand what the medical codes cannot capture on their own. These records often become some of the most persuasive parts of an appeal.

Silver & Silver notes that the SSD appeals process has strict deadlines, typically 60 days from a denial, and missing them can mean restarting the entire process. The firm encourages claimants in Camden to act quickly and to continue treatment with their medical providers throughout an appeal. Consistent care is one of the strongest signals to the SSA that a condition is ongoing and serious.

The firm also points out that organization matters. SSD files often grow to hundreds of pages, and disorganized records make it harder for the SSA to see the full reality of a claimant's condition. Coordinating with treating providers, gathering current records, and presenting evidence clearly all support a stronger appeal.

Silver & Silver has helped Camden residents pursue Social Security Disability benefits for 45 years, and the firm also handles personal injury matters in Pennsylvania.

Silver & Silver's commitment to serving injured and disabled individuals is reflected in the professional recognition its attorneys have earned. Partner Mike Silver has been selected to [Super Lawyers](#) every year from 2004 through 2026, a distinction awarded to attorneys who have attained a high degree of peer recognition and professional achievement.

Individuals facing a denied SSD claim can [contact the firm today](#).

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