



What a manually reviewed research snapshot shows when official records were missing, destroyed, or unavailable.

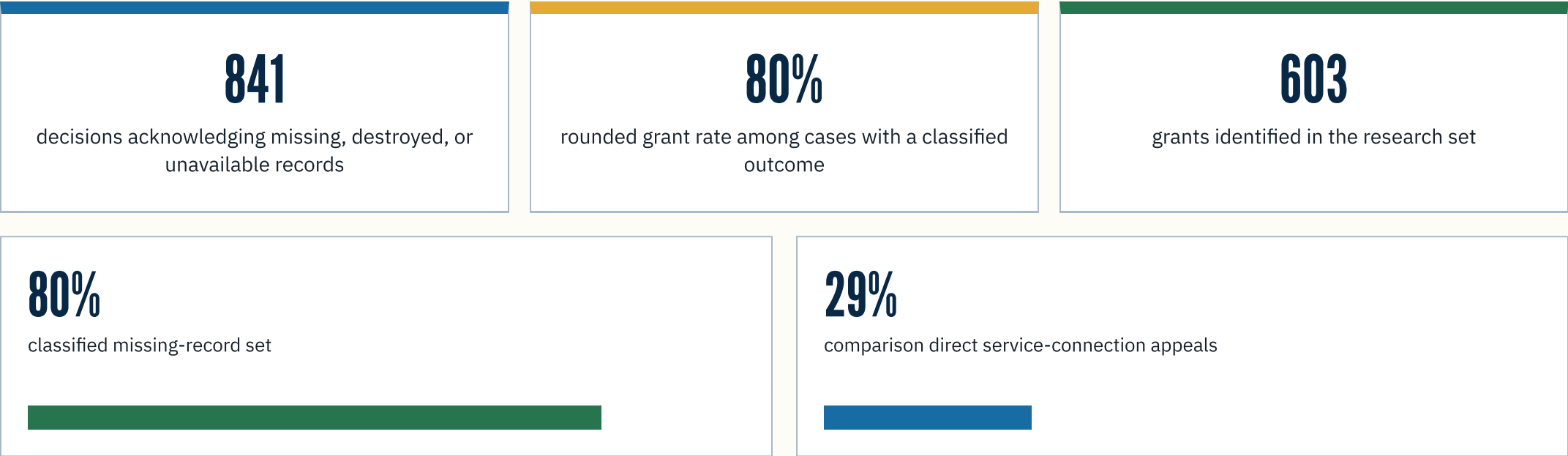
CASES IDENTIFIED 841 Board decisions	CLASSIFIED GRANT RATE 80% rounded	GRANTS IN SAMPLE 603
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RateMyVSO identified 841 published Board decisions acknowledging missing, destroyed, or unavailable service records. The classified subset showed a rounded 80 percent grant rate and 603 grants. This is a selected research set, not a forecast.

SNAPSHOT

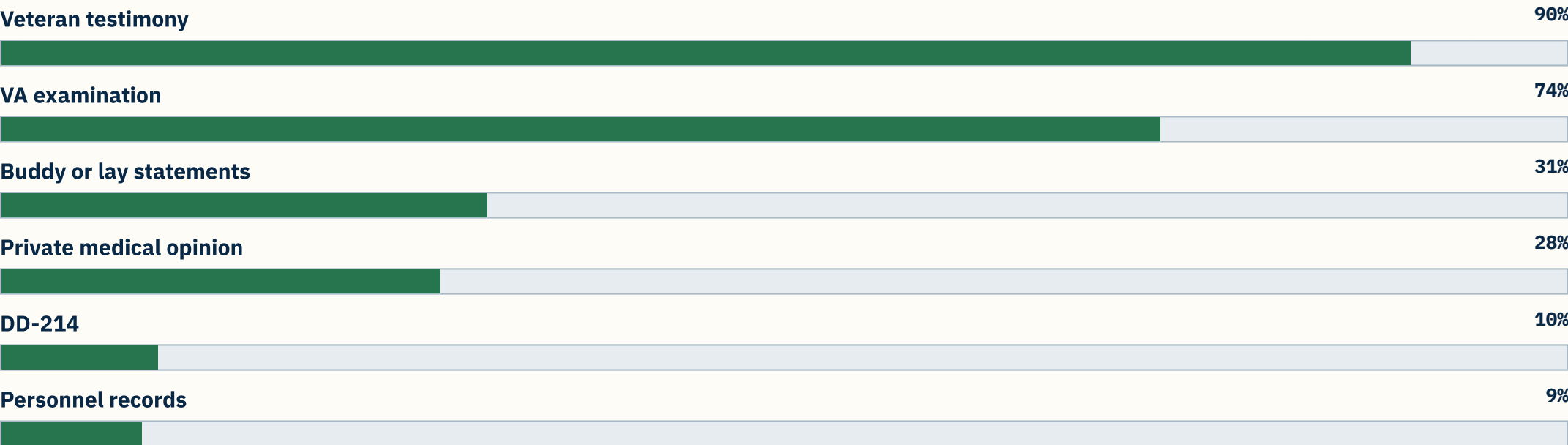
MISSING-RECORDS CASES AT A GLANCE



The 80 percent value is rounded and applies only to the classified subset. The 29 percent comparison uses a different appeal population and is context, not a matched causal estimate.

GRANTED CASES

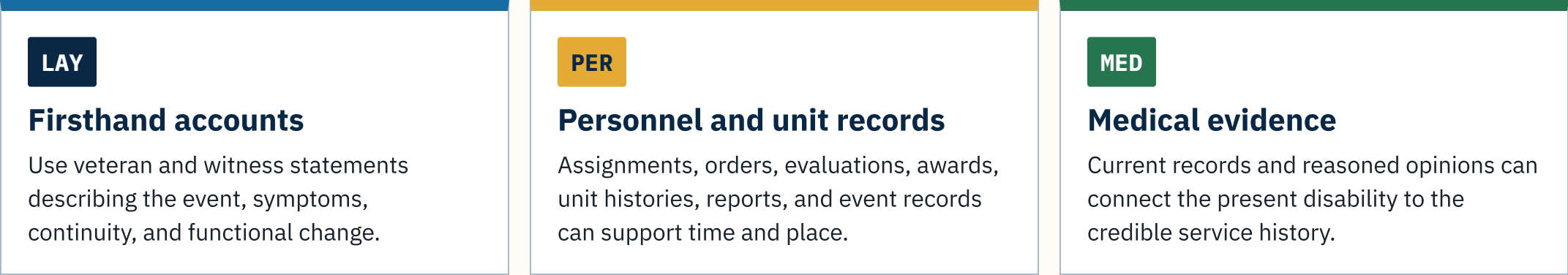
EVIDENCE CITED IN THE 603 GRANTS



Denominator: 603 granted missing-record decisions. Categories overlap, so percentages should not be added together.

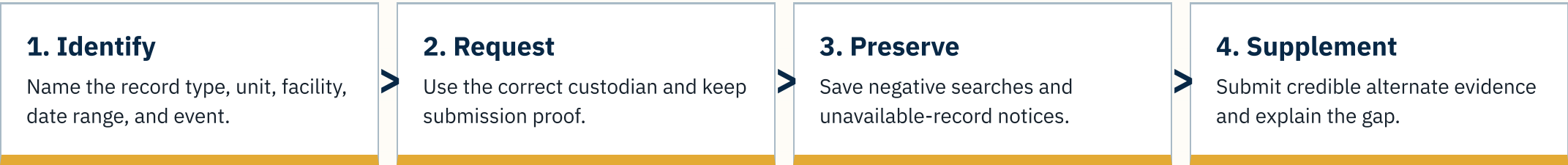
WHAT TO DO

BUILD AN ALTERNATE-EVIDENCE RECORD



REQUEST TRAIL

PRESERVE PROOF THAT THE RECORDS WERE SOUGHT



SELECTION MATTERS

The set contains Board appeals where missing records were expressly acknowledged. It does not represent all claims with incomplete service records and does not mean missing records improve a claim.