

Department order #7  
Series 2018-2019  
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Brothers,

The deadline to have your bylaws updated per C-in-C Mark Day's General Order number 18 has passed. Thank you to the Camps that got this done in a timely manner. This Saturday afternoon we will have a new Department Commander. For those Camps that have not completed this if you get it done and mailed out to the new Department Commander by Friday, July 5 you'll be able to have your bylaws certified for inclusion in the 501(c)3 umbrella from the National Order SUVCW. We cannot risk the rest of the Department not getting certified because some camps wasted the last year and a half to get this done. Electronic submission will be the fastest way to get this in to the new Department Commander. Please include a signature line at the end of your bylaws for the Department Commander to sign. The language that needs to be inserted is as follows:

ARTICLE \_\_\_\_\_ - Organization:

The Camp shall be constituted and remain constituted as provided by the Constitution and Regulations (C&R) governing the National Organization, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and shall be known as the (\_\_\_\_\_ NAME OF CAMP, SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR). The camp is organized as an unincorporated association under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The organization is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes under section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future tax code.

ARTICLE \_\_\_\_\_ - Activities not in furtherance of exempt purposes:

No part of the net earnings, if any, of this unincorporated association, shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers or other private persons, except that the unincorporated association shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes described in section 501(c)3. No substantial part of the activities of the unincorporated association shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the unincorporated association shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these by-laws, the unincorporated association shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by an unincorporated association exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by an unincorporated association, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)2 of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

ARTICLE \_\_\_\_\_ - Separation, Dissolution and Disposition of Assets:

Section 1: In the case of surrender or forfeiture of the Camp Charter, all Camp property and assets shall be turned over to the National Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War via the Department Commander of the affected Camp acting as his duly authorized representative to collect and hold all such property in trust for the National Organization, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, an organization exempt from taxes under section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code.

Section 2: All property of the Camp shall be held for the National Organization, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, as a charitable trust that is held and used for the purpose for which the Order exists. Any such transfer or disposal within six months of disbandment or surrender of the Camp Charter without the written consent of the National Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War is

prohibited. The property and funds of the Camp shall not be divided among its members.

Section 3: In the event the National Organization, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, no longer exists, said property and funds shall revert to the benefit of the first and any remaining organization of the Allied Orders of the Grand Army of the Republic or in their absence, to the Pennsylvania State Archives.

Section 4: Notwithstanding the above language, upon the dissolution of this organization, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government for a public purpose.

Ordered this 27th day of June 2019 A.D.

Alfred C. Carty

Pennsylvania Department Commander

Attest:

Robert Koenigsberg

Department Secretary