



SPECIAL GENERAL ORDER NO. 6
SERIES 2014-2015
SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

Establishment of the Department of the Columbia

By the authority vested in me as Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, the National Constitution and Regulations, and National Policies, it is hereby ordered as follows:

Section 1: The following Camps-at-Large have formally petitioned the Commander-in-Chief for the formation of the Department of the Columbia, to include the states of Alaska, Idaho, Oregon, and Washington:

Col. Edward D. Baker Camp No. 6 of Oregon
Gov. Isaac Stevens Camp No. 1 of Olympia, Washington
Fort Walla Walla Camp No. 3 of Kennewick, Washington

Section 2: In accordance with National Regulations, Chapter II, Article I, Section 7, the petition of said Camps is approved and the **Department of the Columbia** is hereby established and shall be composed of the states of **Alaska, Idaho, Oregon and Washington**.

Section 3: The Commander-in-Chief acknowledges that since June 15, 2011 the state of Idaho has been part of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming (General Order No. 22, Series 2010-2011). With the approval of a super-majority of the elected officers of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, and for various reasons including historic and geographic, the Commander-in-Chief believes that Idaho would be best served by belonging to the Department of the Columbia and hereby transfers Idaho to the new Department. The Department of Colorado and Wyoming is commended for its stewardship of Idaho over the past four years.

Section 4: The Department of the Columbia is hereby authorized to hold a Special Department Encampment to complete the organization of the Department, including the election of Officers, Delegates to the National Encampment, and the adoption of Department By-Laws.

The foregoing General Order is proclaimed this 14th day of April in the year of our Lord two thousand fifteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-ninth, in the City of Gilroy, County of Santa Clara, State of California.

/s/ Tad D. Campbell, PDC
Commander-in-Chief

ATTEST:
By: /s/ Alan L. Russ, PDC
National Secretary