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Over the past several months the SUVCW has had several situations come to the attention of Camps, Departments and the National Organization. The following are just a couple of items that have surfaced:

1. The SUVCW National Organization are not lawyers, therefore we cannot and will not give legal advice on any matter to any Brother, Camp, or Department. I do know that there are many lawyers and judges that are Brothers in the Order. What they do and say is up to them and the state laws that they live by.

2. We, as Brothers of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War are bound by our own Constitution, Article IV Religion and Politics Which states "*The Order being strictly non-sectarian and non-partisan, the introduction or discussion of sectarian or partisan topics is strictly prohibited*". This is a reminder that all email lists or mailing lists obtained by association with the Order are not to be used for any purpose other than legitimate business of the Order. This does not stop the legislative affairs officer or committee from reporting on a wide variety of pending legislative issues that impact the Order, such as access to landlocked cemeteries by easements, protection of grave markers, etc.

Ordered this 20th Day of December, 2012.

Perley E. Mellor.
Commander-In-Chief
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Attest:

Eugene Mortorff
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