Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States
Commandery-in-Chief Proceedings

Loyal Legion Midwinter Meeting & Abraham Lincoln's 210th Birthday Celebration

February 10-12, 2019
Washington, DC

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Compiled by Dr. Gary Grove, Recorder-in-Chief

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Meeting Minutes of the Mid-Winter Meeting of the
Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States

Commander-in-Chief Eric Rojo called to order the 2019 Mid-Winter Meeting of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States at 10:00 AM on Monday, Feb 11, 2019. The meeting was held at the Sheraton Suites, Old Town Arlington, Virginia.

Nb. The tentative agenda for this business meeting as proposed by Commander-in-Chief Rojo is attached as Appendix A. It is important to note that extensive discussions often ensued when some of Officer reports were presented. Moreover, there were some topics that became reoccurring themes throughout the meeting. In order to better capture the overall flavor of these discussions, these minutes are not being presented in chronological order. Instead, the Old and New Business sections have been rearranged according to topic and now appear as the Recap and Matters Arising Section. The Recorder-in-Chief hopes that this will provide a firm foundation for future discussions at the upcoming 2019 Congress.

INVOCATION: Chaplain-in-Chief Kevin Martin gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: DC Commander John Moore led the Pledge of Allegiance.

READING OF THE PREAMBLE AND PRINCIPLES OF THE ORDER: was read by Recorder-in-Chief Gary Grove

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS AND COMMANDERIES: was conducted by Recorder-in-Chief Gary Grove.

Elected Officers

Commander-in-Chief, Eric A. Rojo: Present
Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, Joseph T. Coleman: Present
Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief, Robert D. Pollock: Regrets
Recorder-in-Chief, Gary L. Grove: Present
Treasurer-in-Chief, Lee A. Tryon: Present
Registrar -in-Chief, Adam Flint: Present
Chancellor -in-Chief, Michael T. Bates: Present via GoToMeeting
Judge Advocate-in-Chief, Gerald F. Fisher: Absent
Chaplain-in-Chief, Kevin L. Martin: Present
Surgeon-in-Chief, Daniel H. Heller: Absent

Council-in-Chief

Harold L. Colvocoresses, Jr. Absent
Lawrence Alan Converse: Absent
Peter Arrott Dixon: Present
Linn M. Malaznik: Present
Clifton Porter, Jr. Ph.D. Absent
Lt. Ryan B. Weddle: Absent
Appointed Officers
Editor-in-Chief, CiC Eric Rojo: Present
National Quartermaster, Joseph T. Coleman: Present
National Membership List Coordinator, Paul Davis: Regrets
National Historian, Adam Gaines: Present via Go to Meeting
National Webmaster, William F. Forbes: Present via Go to Meeting
National Membership Contact, Larry Converse: Absent
Washington DC Representative, Frank Scaturro: Present

Commanderies
California: Present with Commander Linn Malaznik as representative
Connecticut: Present with Commander Kenneth Roach as representative
District of Columbia: Present with Commander John Moore as representative
Florida: Absent
Illinois: Absent
Iowa: Absent
Indiana: Absent
Kansas: represented by PCiC Douglas Niermeyer via GoToMeeting
Kentucky: Absent
Massachusetts: Present with Marston Watson appointed representative with properly executed proxy letter from State Commander David O. Whitmore
Michigan: Absent
Missouri: represented by PCiC Douglas Niermeyer via GoToMeeting
Nebraska: represented by PCiC Douglas Niermeyer via GoToMeeting
New York: Present with PCiC Kinny Post as representative
Ohio: Present with Past CiC Rick Bury as representative
Pennsylvania: Present with Commander Brian Maloney as representative
Rhode Island: Absent
Texas: Present with Past CiC James Simmons as representative
Virginia: Present with Past CiC Jeffrey Burden as representative
Wisconsin: Absent

Recorder-in-Chief Grove then reported that based on the responses to this Roll Call that a Quorum was present.

APPROVAL of the Proceedings of the 2018 National Congress
Commander-in-Chief Rojo stated that the Proceedings of the 2018 National Congress of the Commandery-in-Chief which includes the minutes of the Annual Business meeting has been posted on the National Website.

MOTION: Approve the Proceedings of the 2019 National Congress as published

MOVED: PCiC Kinny Post SECOND: Chaplain-in-Chief Kevin Martin
MOTION PASSED
Elected Officers Reports

Complete texts of the written reports submitted by the Elected Officers can be found in Appendix B which is incorporated as part of these proceedings. As previously mentioned, there were recurring topics being considered throughout the meeting and to provide a firm foundation for future discussions they have been compiled by topic in the Recap and Matters Arising Section that takes place of the traditional Old and New Business Sections.

Commander-in-Chief Rojo: He discussed his written report (Attached) and introduced a number of topics that he wishes will be openly discussed in what he hopes will be a very productive meeting since we no longer have to worry about the clock. These topics will be summarized and covered in greater detail later in the Recap and Matters Arising Section.

Sr. Vice Commander-in-Chief Coleman: He discussed his written report (Attached). He verbally provided an update on the National Convention Center and their new exhibit on the 14th through 16th amendments which will prominently feature items from the former 1805 Pine Street Museum. He encouraged all Companions that plan to visit Philly to let him know if they wish to tour some of the MOLLUS related sites. He also expressed his disappointment that no other State Commanderies had responded to the Survey since the 2019 Congress.

Jr. Vice Commander-in-Chief Pollock: Was not able to participate due to problems connecting via GoToMeeting. He had previously provided emails to the Loyal Legion Executive Committee about the problems with the plans for the 2019 Congress in Indianapolis which will be covered in greater detail in the Recap and Matters Arising Section of these Minutes.

Recorder-in-Chief Grove: He discussed his written report (Attached) and stressed the importance of modernizing our web page as soon as possible. He also echoed Sr. VCinC Coleman’s invite to Companions visiting Philly or Gettysburg.

Registrar-in-Chief Flint: He discussed his written report (Attached) which listed all the new Hereditary, Associate, and Honorary Companions that have been registered since the 2018 Congress.

Chancellor-in-Chief Bates: He presented a verbal report via GoToMeeting which dovetailed nicely with that of that of the Registrar-in-Chief Flint’s. A number of suggestions were made as to what items should be included in the welcome package which will be covered in greater detail later in the Recap and Matters Arising Section of these Minutes.

Treasurer-in-Chief Tryon: He discussed his financial report (Attached) in great detail. This led to several different lines of discussions that will be covered later in the Recap and Matters Arising Section of these Minutes

Judge Advocate-in-Chief Fisher: Absent and no report submitted.

Chaplain-in-Chief Martin: His written report (Attached) provided a necrology of 2 departed Companions who will be remembered at the joint MOLLUS-DOLLUS Memorial Service that will held during the 2019 National Congress.

Surgeon-in-Chief Heller: Absent and no report submitted.
Appointed Officers Reports

Complete texts of the written reports submitted by the Appointed Officers can be found in Appendix C which is incorporated as part of these proceedings. Again, the reoccurring topics have been compiled as part of the Recap and Matters Arising Section of these Minutes.

Editor-in-Chief Rojo: He discussed his written report (Attached) that was submitted by Shawn Badolato Beyer, the publisher of the Loyal Legion Historical Journal. See Recap and Matters Arising Section for additional comments on scope and publication schedules.

National Quartermaster Coleman: He submitted his written report (Attached) which documented his very impressive sales activity.

He also took this opportunity to display the newly approved Past Commander-in-Chief’s Star that garnered rave reviews from all, especially those past Commanders-in-Chief that are entitled to wear it.

National Membership List Coordinator Davis: Although not present he did submit a report (Attached) which provided a very detailed description of various hardware and software solutions to create a more manageable database. See Recap and Matters Arising Section for additional comments on next steps to develop a state of the art database.

National Historian Gaines: submitted a written report (attached)

National Webmaster Forbes: submitted a written report (attached) and verbally answered questions from several Companions. See Recap and Matters Arising Section for additional comments that include a new RFP to be sent out to interested parties.

Washington DC Representative Scaturro: He submitted his written report (Attached) which covered a number of activities that he recommended that MOLLUS consider supporting. These included expansion of the Shiloh National Battlefield Park and a number of activities related to the upcoming 200th Anniversary of U.S. Grant’s birth such as rehabbing Grant’s Tomb, a commemorative coin, stamp and a resolution to promote Grant posthumously to “General of the Armies of the United States”. It was felt by the assembled Companions that all of these activities are worthy of our full support. Thus these recommendations were considered to be a motion made by Washington DC Representative Scaturro which was then seconded by PCinC Bury. Motion Passed
Standing and Special Committee Reports

It is important to note that reports from either a Standing or Special National Committee are only mandatory for the Annual Business meeting held during the National Congress. However, the Standing Committee on Constitution and Bylaws was requested to provide an update on the work that they have been doing to update our Constitution and Bylaws so it better reflects our current policies. Although no official report has been submitted by the Committee, Companion Paul Lader did provide a working document (Appendix D) that shows a side-by-side comparison of some of the changes contemplated so far. CinC Rojo emphasized that the purpose of sharing this document at this time is to obtain feedback from the general membership about what has been suggested so far.

At various times during the meeting Commander-in-Chief Rojo referred to some of these changes to the C&BL which are covered below in order that they appear in the side-by-side comparison:

Constitution Article VI ... change eliminates the need to have a special meeting in Philly when we meet at Gettysburg. Also allows use of emails

Constitution Article VII ... clarifies role of Board of Officers and resident Hereditary Companions when organizing a new State Commandery.

Page 3 Civil War Museum of Philadelphia is the legal successor of the War Museum and Library

Page 4 Although stricken out, Dual membership is allowed with the understanding that they must declare which Commandery is their primary one for purposes of the annual assessment.

Pages 6,7 and 8 remove the Job Descriptions for the By-Laws which allows these roles to be redefined without requiring an amendment procedure.

Page 9 clarifies that there is only 1 annual congress each year

Commander-in-Chief Rojo’s agenda also listed several other C&BL issues that were not addressed in the side by side working document but discussed during the business meeting. These will be summarized in the Recap and Matters Arising Section of these Minutes.

Special Guest Presentation on the Abraham Lincoln Library & Museum

Commander-in-Chief Rojo introduced Michael Lynch who has been serving as the Museum Director since November. Although LMU President Dr. Clayton Hess will be presenting an update on the University at tonight’s banquet, Mr. Lynch thought it would be appropriate to share with us recent developments and future plans for the Abraham Lincoln Library & Museum, especially since the relationship with MOLLUS goes back more than 100 years. He was pleased to announce that the Museum now has a full time archivist ready to handle any requests dealing with their MOLLUS collection. They are also embarking on a very extensive capital program that will feature interactive exhibits dealing with different stages of president Lincoln’s life including his childhood years. They look forward to having MOLLUS return to their campus sometime in the future to see what they have accomplished.

State Commandery Reports although optional 2 Commanderies (Connecticut and Massachusetts) did submit reports which are attached as Appendix E.
Recap of Discussions and Matters Arising Section

Revisit criteria of funds to be used to support national and regional events

Throughout the meeting there was considerable debate about what level of funding is appropriate and what these funds are to be used for. Unfortunately, there has never been a clear understanding of the purpose of these funds which has led to much confusion for both the national and regional events.

With regard to the Mid-Winter Meeting. Both DC Commander John Moore and Treasurer-in-Chief Tryon gave the history of the Mid-Winter event from their different perspectives. Other companions such as Peter Dixon and Rick Berry who had a long-time involvement with this event helped to clarify some of outstanding issues and how they evolved over time.

It seems that the LLMF grant of $1000 to the DC Commandery is co-mingled with other funds from other groups to support the Lincoln Memorial ceremonies and associated activities. It was made clear that diverting $500 of these funds to cover a scholarship awarded annually by the DC Commandery is not consistent with the mission of LLMF. The general view was that the $1000 grant should in the future be used to cover various expenses directly related to the business meeting such as the meeting room as well as the room for Commandery-in-Chief which serves as the hospitality suite. All other expenses such as bus transportation, dinners/banquets, tours, etc. are to be the responsibility of the local host which in the case of the Mid-Winter Meeting is the DC Commandery.

With regard to the National Congress Although no votes were taken, most felt that these criteria also should apply to those funds given to the host Commandery for the National Congress which is our mandatory annual business meeting. Although $5000 had been requested by the Indiana Commandery for the upcoming 2019 Congress they are hosting in Indianapolis, this amount was generally felt to be too excessive. However, many agreed that the award should be increased but the amount was not agreed upon.

As expected, the 2019 Congress in Indy was a hot topic. Unfortunately, neither IN Commander Jeff Lilly or Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Rob Pollock were able to log on GoToMeeting to provide an update on their plans for the 2019 Congress. Thus, we only had an email from Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Pollock to consider. The biggest concern was that Commander Lilly's budget was based on projections of 75 attendees that are unlikely to be achieved. The 2017 Congress in Gettysburg and the 2018 Congress in Richmond had only 60 and 48 total attendees respectfully. These totals include MOLLUS, DOLLUS, spouses and guests.

Due the uncertainties surrounding the 2019 Congress being held in Indy, several alternatives were suggested with the most viable being a business meeting only in October at the Union League in Philadelphia. Commander-in-Chief Rojo also suggested that it might be possible to incorporate this into our Remembrance Day activities. Hopefully, these issues will soon be resolved.

Update … Although Junior Vice Commander Rob Pollock worked very hard it was not possible to retain the Indiana venue. He also attempted to develop an attractive alternative plan based on Dayton, OH but satisfactory arrangements could not be worked out with the hotel on such short notice. Thus, it was thought best for the Commandery-in-Chief to hold the 2019 MOLLUS Congress at the Union League in Philadelphia from Oct 11-13, 2019.
Updating the Constitution and By-Laws

Commander-in-Chief Rojo and the Standing Committee on Constitution and Bylaws have been working to update our Constitution and Bylaws so it better reflects our current policies. Some of their suggestions have been previously covered in some detail while discussing the working document (Appendix D) which shows the current and proposed wording side by side.

Commander-in-Chief Rojo's agenda (Appendix A) also included several other C&BL issues that were not addressed in the side by side working document but mentioned during the meeting. Considerable discussion arose when it was suggested that we change of criteria for accepting Union Service Militia Officers. There was also concerns raised about not properly following procedures for nominating Honorary Companions. In both cases, it was stressed that we must follow the current C&BL as written and careful consider what if any changes need to be made.

It is hoped that the Standing Committee on Constitution and Bylaws will carefully consider the feedback from this meeting and prepare an official report that recommends changes to the C&BL which can be formally acted upon at the 2019 Annual Congress.

Addressing problems uncovered by the Survey of the State Commanderies

Another major problem that needs to be addressed in our revised C&BL is how to deal with those Commanderies that have fewer than 10 Hereditary Companions. Many consider this should be the threshold for them voting as a Commandery. PCinC Doug Niermeyer was able to share his views on this matter via GoToMeeting. One suggestion made by CinC Rojo is to define geographic regions in order to consolidate these Commanderies into a single region for voting purposes.

Modernizing the Loyal Legion Database

National Membership List Coordinator Davis report (Attached in Appendix C) provided a very detailed and highly technical description of various hardware and software solutions to create a more manageable database. It was felt that it would better for all involved parties to discuss the pros and cons of each solution and make a firm recommendation for the Executive Committee to consider before the 2019 Congress.

Modernizing the Webpage

Although not present, Webmaster Will Forbes was able via GoToMeeting to answer questions about his plans to modernize the web page. There were some concerns raised about cybersecurity and the need for encryption and restricted viewing privileges due to sensitive information being included on the reports published there. Webmaster Forbes assured that these concerns will be addressed. Although Commander-in-Chief Rojo had suggested that we expand use of Pay-Pal and Credit Cards to pay for dues and merchandise, it was agreed that the current system works well and avoids certain bookkeeping problems.

During the meeting CinC Rojo mentioned that he has appointed DOLLUS President Ellen Higgins to serve as a deputy webmaster. It was not clear what her responsibilities would be. CinC Rojo also reported that no decisions had been reached between the 2 proposals that had already been submitted for creating a new web page. After some discussions which indicated that there may be others interested in working on this project, it was decided that Webmaster Forbes should prepare a new RFP which then be generally distributed among the members for them to consider. Hopefully, this issue can be resolved at the 2019 Annual Congress.
Review publication schedule and focus of the Loyal Legion Historical Journal

Several Officers felt that the publication schedule proposed by Shawn Badolato Beyer, the publisher of the Loyal Legion Historical Journal (attached in Appendix C) needed to be revised so that it better synchs with our schedule of major events such as the Annual Congress. There were also some discussions over what types of articles and news items should be included in the LLHJ. Commander-in-Chief deferred these decisions to the next meeting of the LLMF Board of Trustees as they served as the editorial board.

Enhancing our relationships with DOLLUS

It was hoped that Ellen Higgins who is the President of DOLLUS would be able to drop by during our business meeting but was unable to do so. Nevertheless, all of the assembled Companions felt very strongly that we should continue working closely with DOLLUS in whatever ways we can. Commander-in-Chief Rojo summarized the group’s sentiments by reminding us that “... We shared common roots, our ancestors, and are divided by gender but nothing else.”

Contents of the Welcome Package for New Members & associated costs

For several years, there has been considerable discussions about what items should be included in the welcoming package that is sent to all new Companions by the Chancellor-in-Chief and the associated costs. Suggestions have ranged from just the rosette and a warm welcoming letter to a large box of items including a copy of Union Blue, cuff links, membership roster etc. Commander-in-Chief Rojo suggested that a USB drive might make more sense for distributing the roster and/or Union Blue. Others felt that at least with the roster that contains private info should be more securely distributed perhaps via our web page.

In order to bring this matter to some resolution Commander-in-Chief Rojo asked Chancellor-in-Chief Bates and Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Coleman who is the Chair of the Membership Committee to work together and be prepared to make a formal recommendation of what the contents New Membership Packet should be and associated costs for consideration at the upcoming 2019 Congress.

Adjournment

With no other matters to consider, Commander-in-Chief Rojo adjourned the Mid-Winter Business Meeting at 3:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary Grove
Gary Grove, Ph.D.
Recorder-in-Chief
Loyal Legion Midwinter Meeting & Abraham Lincoln's 210th Birthday Celebration

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Appendix A Proposed Agenda
2019 Loyal Legion Mid-Winter Meeting
Monday, Feb. 11, 2019 in Old Town Alexander, VA
Proposed Agenda
10 AM to 4 PM... Various Breaks and Lunch will occur as needed

Call to Order
Invocation
Pledge of Allegiance
Reading of Preamble and Principles of the Order
Roll Call of Officers and Commanderies
Approval of 2018 Congress Minutes
Reports of Elected, Appointed Officers and Commanderies. Since reports are required only for the Annual Congress, reports are optional, all must be in writing and posted on the website in advance of the meeting. Oral reports may be presented only if there is relevant information or an important update, to ensure our time is devoted to the business agenda.

BUSINESS SESSION

OLD BUSINESS

• Addressing problems uncovered by the Survey of the State Commanderies
• Clarify option of having membership in more than one Commandery, affirming ability to vote only in declared primary or home Commandery.
• Hardware & Software for Modernizing the Loyal Legion Database
• Review publication schedule and focus of the Loyal Legion Historical Journal
• Procedures for nominating Honorary Companions
• Standardization of Loyal Legion processes, to include establishment of on line applications and consideration of electronic signature.
• Welcome Package for New Members & associated processing fees.
• Expand use of Pay-Pal and Credit Cards to pay for dues and merchandise
• Enhancing our relationship with DOLLUS
• Changes to National Meetings (Congress, Mid-Winter, others as may be scheduled)
• Appointment of deputies for all senior administrative officers (preferably from the next generation)
• Define purpose of LL funds and how to best invest in promotion of the Order. Revisit criteria of funds to be used to support national and regional events

NEW BUSINESS

• Updating the Constitution and By-Laws, discuss proposed changes
• Define Commandery vote requirements with minimum voting membership.
• Separation of Job Descriptions from Constitution and By-Laws
• Change of criteria for accepting Union Service Militia Officers. And revisit Cousin Amendment side by side

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS PRIOR TO MID-WINTER (with report to the Mid-Winter on discussion)

• Establish criteria and requirements for selection as CinC, specifically -having been Commandery Commander as a prerequisite
• Financial Support for National Meetings

Adjournment scheduled for 4 PM or earlier if business session has been concluded

CinC will arrive on the 9th and will coordinate with all LLMF members available to have a meeting, providing one is not scheduled/held via GTM prior to the Mid-Winter
Appendix B

Reports submitted by Elected Officers

- Commander-in-Chief Eric Rojo
- Sr. Vice Commander-in-Chief Joseph Coleman
- Jr. Vice Commander-in-Chief Rob Pollock (email)
- Recorder-in-Chief Gary Grove
- Treasurer-in-Chief Lee Tryon
- Registrar-in-Chief Adam Flint
- Chaplain-in-Chief Kevin Martin
February 4, 2019

Companions

After a fun and successful Congress in Richmond, kudos to the Virginia Commandery and the great effort by Past CinC and Mrs. Burden for a class act and many interesting activities.

An item that, again, was noted, is the rush we find ourselves under in order to complete our business meetings within a very tight time frame. To this end, the Executive Committee met via GoToMeeting and reviewed how the Congress and Mid-Winter are planned and what changes are needed. After a heated debate and disagreement on some suggested changes, we agreed in the following for this Mid-Winter:

1. Any tours are optional
2. The business meetings will be given all the time needed to ensure we are not rushed to a bus or event.
3. The business meeting will be on a open time schedule until all business of the day has been completed.
4. All reports are to be posted on our Website and presentation will be limited to necessary reports by a Commandery, Officer or Committee.
5. The CinC will at his discretion appoint a parliamentarian to limit discussion and set a time for discussion and questions.
6. Business meeting start time set for 10 AM to accommodate those traveling from near distances.

Final changes on planning, scheduling and financial support of national meetings need to be reviewed and discussed to ensure we continue to move forward and make each event of value to all participants, from near and far.

In my role as our Historical Journal Editor in Chief, along with the Board and our Editor, we continue to look for new material that ensures its 'readability' to all and be a more dynamic source of news, information and history. Like all changes, there is some controversy between those who are not happy with some changes and those who applaud the new format and structure. We are listening to all comments and keep looking for suggestions that can help accommodate all perspectives. FWI, the Journal is posted on our webpage the day it goes to the printer; this available while the print version makes its way through the postal system.

I look forward to seeing all who will be able to attend the Mid-Winter, in person or via GoToMeeting and have a fun and productive meeting.

Loyally

Col. Eric Rojo USA (Ret)
LOYAL LEGION MEMORIAL FUND GRANTS
Past Commander-in-Chief Carroon has indicated that he will be submitting an application to consider another entity for a grant from the Memorial Fund.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE
No additional surveys have been received since the October Congress. All ten (10) participating Commanderies have received copies to the survey results.

CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS COMMITTEE
I have not been informed or participated in any discussions with the committee since the October Congress.

COMMANDRY-IN-CHIEF AWARDS
No nominations have been received to date.

CIVIL WAR MUSEUM OF PHILADELPHIA (CWMP)
The long awaited permanent display at the National Constitution Center (NCC) in Philadelphia utilizing artifacts from 1805 Pine Street will open on May 9, 2019. As a member of the board of governors of the Civil War Museum of Philadelphia, I will participate in the VIP preview and reception at the NCC on May 7.
Companions,

I remain concerned regarding the fall Congress. The concern is that the hotel/venue will require a down payment of $8250, thirty 30 days prior to the event. That down payment can be by cash, or by a combination of confirmed room nights and reserved meals.

Based on current attendance trends I estimate that MOLLUS DOLLUS combined attendance at meetings will be 75. Of those 75, 45 will rent two room nights at the hotel. If that happens and they make reservations 30 days ahead we will not have a cash flow concern.

Similarly, if 45 reserve dinners at the banquet and 60 participate in the tours (and place their reservations paying by check in advance) there should not be a cash flow concern (although the commanderies may have to self finance part of the downpayment) (a sticking point with Indiana and unknown with OH & MI.)

If, at 30 days out we have low reservation numbers and have to cancel we will have financial liabilities (amount unknown until we complete negotiations).

Current planning figures are Rooms at $115 per night plus taxes. Banquet at $60 per guest. Tour and transportation at $50 per guest. No conference fee. All guesstimates.

Loyally, Rob

On Fri, Feb 8, 2019, 09:39 Robert Pollock <rdpfairfax@gmail.com (mailto:rdpfairfax@gmail.com)> wrote:

Eric and Joe,

My 91-year-old mother has been in nursing care for three weeks, and was supposed to be there for another week. Her Nurse/manager told her this morning that she was being released home today. She is unstable on her feet and unable to fully care for herself at this time. Cathy and I are the only family in the State. We are scrambling to set up in-home care and nursing assistance.

We are unable to travel as a result. I will attempt to participate through Go-to-meeting via telephone.

Gary,

Would you please send me the GTM log-in information?

Loyally,

With respect and regards to the deeds of our Ancestors
I am, Sincerely,
Col. Robert D. Pollock USAF (ret)
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Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief, Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States (MOLLUS)
Registrar General, National Society Sons of the American Colonists www.americancolonists.org (http://www.americancolonists.org/)
Vice President General (Military Awards), General Society of the War of 1812 www.gswar1812.org (http://www.gswar1812.org/)
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Office of the Recorder-in-Chief

2019 Mid-Winter Meeting Report

Feb. 11, 2019

Dear Commander-in-Chief Eric Rojo and fellow Loyal Legion Companions,

I’m pleased to provide this brief report which is based on my experiences during my first year of service as Recorder-in-Chief. A more substantial report will be submitted for the 2019 Congress.

Although there were initially some problems due to how I was reporting the insignia numbers to our approved new companions, we now have a very smooth process in place that seems to work well for everyone. Hopefully, things will become even better now that we have only 1 approved membership application form to worry about. There are still some problems with missing emails and incorrect postal addresses, but these are as they appear on the original application and we must rely on the Officers of the State Commandery to make sure that the applicant’s contact information is correct.

The biggest challenge that I now face is how to make our meetings more productive. I know from my experiences as the past Recorder for the Pennsylvania Commandery that providing the members with not only the agenda but also the various reports in advance of the actual meeting is well worth doing. This gives everyone a chance to read the reports ahead of time so that they can carefully consider the important issues that need to be dealt with. No need to waste your time reading a report during the meeting which gives everyone much more time to work on a solution.

Although at the CinC level, we now routinely post agendas for upcoming meetings and proceedings from past meetings on our web page, we can’t do the Officer or Commandery reports for several reasons. For one, we need to modernize and reorganize our web site to make it easier for this to be done. Since I am responsible for 3 different groups within MOLLUS, there is a need to restrict access by granting different privileges which also must await a new web page which will hopefully be soon coming. The biggest problem that still remains is that not everyone takes providing a report that seriously. Some reports are very sketchy at best, some don’t bother at all. Fortunately, there are many others that have provided well thought out reports that can be extremely helpful in providing a firm understanding of what should be done and why. I call your attention to the 2019 Mid-Winter Report from Membership List Co-Ordinator Paul Davis as a good example of what we need more of.

I intend to be more proactive while preparing for the 2019 Congress. I plan to send out notices in July to all Officers and Committee Chairs that a report is mandatory. This will give them enough time to work on the type of report we need to make our Loyal Legion even better.

Most respectfully and loyally submitted,

Gary Grove
MILITARY ORDER OF THE LOYAL LEGION OF THE UNITED STATES
Mid-Winter Meeting
Alexandria Virginia
February 11, 2019
REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR-IN-CHIEF

I HAVE APPROVED THE FOLLOWING NEW APPLICANTS FOR MEMBERSHIP:

Hereditary
1. John Bryant Livengood 22740 IN
2. Oakley Rudolph Able 22741 OH
3. Robert Joseph Wolz 22742 OH
4. John Marvin Huffman III 22743 OH
5. Philip Melvin Prentice 22744 OH
6. Griffin Matthew Deckerd 22745 OH
7. Crockett Keith Dennis 22746 OH
8. Bryce Marshall Dennis 22747 OH
9. Gavin Reese Dennis 22748 OH
10. Charles Edward Dorkey III 22749 NY
11. John James Duncan, Jr. 22750 OH
12. Martin Allan Pruett Treppa 22751 MI
13. Patrick John Pruett Treppa 22752 MI
14. Dash Almanzo Javier 22753 VA
15. Jason Alexander Wolz 22754 OH
16. Jackson Charles Reiff Wolz 22755 OH
17. Charles Hoover Bogino 22756 DC
18. Grant Robert Wolz 22757 OH
19. Scott Blackford Meacham 22758 VA
20. Austin William Lamac 22759 PA
21. Major Frank Russell 22760 TX
22. Paul Anthony Tucci 22761 PA
23. Robert Joseph Dalessandro 22762 DC

Associate
1. Daniel A. Hearlihy A318 OH
2. Vincent Michael Alexander Chesney A319 PA
3. John A. Jorgenson A320 PA
4. Hector Relativo Javier A321 VA
5. Larry Micah Dicks A322 VA
6. James Jerome Knights A323 PA

Respectfully submitted,

Adam P. Flint
# Military Order Of The Loyal Legion

## Balance Sheet Prev Year Comparison

As of February 4, 2019

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As of February 4, 2019

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# MOLLUS Commandery-in-Chief
## Income & Expense
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# Loyal Legion Memorial Fund
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## Income Expense Budget vs. Actual

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THE MILITARY ORDER OF THE LOYAL LEGION OF THE UNITED STATES
2019 Mid-Winter Meeting
Alexandria, Virginia
February 11, 2019

REPORT OF THE CHAPLAIN-IN-CHIEF

Necrology report for the period October 1, 2018 through February 11, 2019

Listed below are the names of companions who have departed our ranks this year to join our noble ancestors. We remember with gratitude their witness and their service in the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States. Those listed, along with their other brothers and sisters in Christ, are remembered in special prayers at our Mid-Winter Meeting.

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<td>James David Hellyer</td>
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We commend them to your memory and offer our prayer:

Oh God, our strength and our redeemer, giver of life and conqueror of death, we approach you in this moment with humbled hearts. With faith in your perfect mercy and wisdom, we commit your servants to your keeping. We praise you for your loving kindness to them throughout the days of their earthly life and for all they were, by nature and grace, to those who loved them. We thank you that for them all sickness and sorrow are ended and death itself is past, and they have entered into the rest that remains for your people. Keep us in fellowship with our order, that we may rejoice together in your presence both now and ever more. Amen.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin L. Martin
Appendix C

Reports submitted by Appointed Officers

- Editor-in-Chief Eric Rojo / Shawn Badolato Beyer
- National Quartermaster Joseph Coleman
- National Membership List Coordinator Paul Davis
- National Historian Adam Gaines
- National Webmaster William F. Forbes
- Washington DC Representative Frank Scaturro
The Loyal Legion Historical Journal has developed an editorial schedule intended to keep the publication on schedule and to map out four full issues of content (see attached). Although this is still in development pending input from the editorial board, it is well on its way to being a useful tool. The production and mailing of each issue will be managed on a five-week schedule. Meaningful deadlines for submitting content, preparing mailing lists, and sending the issue to press have been set to accommodate targeted delivery dates. The content outline for each issue includes news, regular departments, potential historical articles, meeting registration inserts, and content that can be used as filler. With a firm content outline, the editor will know the material to expect for each issue and will be able to either follow up with a writer if it is not received, or to make a substitution when it becomes clear that an article will not be available.

There are a few items in the schedule that need editorial board input:

1. Most urgently, we need a list of potential topics for historical articles and experts who can be approached to write them. Ideally 16 articles should be prepared, which would include at least eight to be published in 2019, and several others to have on hand to use on an as-needed basis. A tentative list of possible articles appears on the last page of the schedule. The board should choose topics it thinks will be of interest to the readership and propose potential writers for each. Some topics may be deleted and others can be added in order to develop a strong list of possible historical articles.

2. A year-long calendar of events should be developed that can appear in the Journal and on the organization’s website. Additional items can be added from time to time as new event dates are confirmed.

3. It would be helpful to include as many anticipated news items as possible on the schedule. Many news items will crop up in a short period of time and space will be allotted for these, but others can be anticipated and put on the schedule now so they are not overlooked later.

LLHJ Writer guidelines (to help writers understand what types of content would be acceptable for publishing in the Journal as well as format requirements in terms of length, submission of images, attributions, etc.) and an editorial style guide (guidance on basic grammar style specific to the Journal) are still in development and will be available this spring.
As a reminder, Union Blue is available to Commanderies for purchase at a discounted price of $15.00 for their use as gifts to ROTC recipients and distribution as gifts/honorarium.

It’s never too early to request ROTC medals. Please build in reasonable lead-time when placing your orders. Please indicate a request for a certificate when placing your order. Please make sure to include the name of the school, battalion name (if known) and service branch affiliation along with title (Cadet, Midshipman, etc.).

On December 18 of last year, Recorder-in-Chief Gary Grove and I visited the manufacturer of our insignia, CityPride. CityPride is affiliated with A.W. Ross & Sons jewelers located just outside of Philadelphia and is the successor to Bailey, Banks and Biddle who produced the MOLLUS insignia for many, many years before going out of business. We were hosted by Don Ross and given an extensive tour of their manufacturing facilities.

As a result of some informal discussions over the past few years among many of our PCinCs, the existence of a Past Commander-in-Chief Star was discussed with Mr. Ross. No clear history remains of the possible existence of such a Star and CityPride has no records of ever producing such a Star. Tiffany produced the Commander-in-Chief Star and the whereabouts of only four (4) of the Tiffany Stars is documented. One is in the possession of C-in-C Rojo; Massachusetts maintains their original, as does Pennsylvania. This past year, one was discovered in the CWMP artifacts in Gettysburg and returned to Philadelphia along with the rest of MOLLUS documented artifacts and is stored in the vault at the Heritage Center in the Union League of Philadelphia with the MOLLUS achieves.

At the direction of Commander-in-Chief Rojo, Gary and I explored with Mr. Ross the possibility of creating a Past Commander-in-Chief Star. The design was created using existing insignia and attachment. The executive committee voted to commission CityPride to produce a sample PCinC Star and it is hoped that the sample will be completed on time to display at the mid winter meeting.

I was recently contacted by Companion Doug Richardson inquiring about potential additions to the NQM inventory including a MOLLUS grave marker, MOLLUS sash and embroidered Oxford style shirt. As these would require a significant outlay of funds, these possible additions should be discussed.

On occasion, I am asked if we accept credit cards or PayPal. We do neither. If we would like to pursue a PayPal option, our merchandise prices will need to be adjusted to cover this cost.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph T. Coleman, Ed.D.
SV CinC
National Quartermaster
Report of the Member List Coordinator: February 5, 2019

Commander In Chief Rojo, Members of the Board Of Officers:

Commander In Chief Rojo has asked me to explore and recommend a solution to “modernize our Member Data Base.”

Current Status:

We currently collect data and maintain three data bases/lists.

1. Library Mailing Label List: This list contains records for 57 Libraries and Institutions. It rarely changes and requires very little maintenance.

2. JOURNAL Mailing Label List (MOLLUS only): This list has 832 records. This list changes frequently based on two actions. The first being the addition of new members and second, other member related data points such as updating mailing addresses or other status related information.

The third reason for changes concerns returns for the JOURNAL due to improper mailing addresses, or failure to update an address, or failure to notify as to a deceased Companion.

The number of returns as being undeliverable varies with each mailing. They can be as few as 1 or 2, and as many as 7 to 10. For undeliverable JOURNALS with a proper forwarding address, MOLLUS is charged 59 cents for each Post Office Form 3547.

For undeliverables with an improper mailing address and no forwarding address, the copies of the JOURNAL are returned to MOLLUS and we are charged $2.27 for each.

3. Membership List (Database)

The current list is maintained and backed up (mirrored) using a version of Microsoft Access in an older Windows operating system. This is managed by Keith Harrison.

A second copy of the membership list is maintained using a version of Microsoft Excel in an older Apple OS operating system (10.7.5). This is managed by Paul Davis.

These two systems (Software and Operating Systems) are not interchangeable. Nor are they updatable with existing hardware.

The current version of the Member Database has 1,816 member records.

We currently capture and maintain 17 fields of data.
1. ID Insignia Number
2. First Name
3. Middle Name
4. Last Name
5. Prefix
6. Suffix
7. Address 1
8. Address 2  
9. City  
10. State  
11. ZIP Code  
12. ZIP Code Plus  
13. Commandery 1  
14. Commandery 2  
15. Member Status (Dropped, Resigned, Deceased)  
16. Mailing Status Codes: 1 (Active), 2 (Non-Working Address), 3 (Deceased/Dropped), and 4 (Resigned)  
17. Ancestors Name and Military Unit.

Columns E and F are for indicating military rank such as Colonel, Junior, Esquire, Doctor, etc. These columns are largely vacant.

Column H is mostly vacant and appears to have just two entries for non-USA addresses.

Column N is not populated and appears to be reserved for some unknown data collection in the future.

Fields R, S, and T are currently not populated.

**Items for Investigation and Consideration**

Following is a partial list of features and functions, not in any particular order that were on the wish list:

1. Cloud Based  
2. Easy access any time from anywhere by anyone  
3. Compatibility with any and all operating systems  
4. Compatible with any software and any versions  
5. Compatible with and have access via mobile devices including phones and tablets as well as computers  
6. Add data for phone numbers  
7. Add data for Email addresses  
8. Add Commander Rosters  
9. Low cost to serve (subscriptions, server and hosting fees, software user fees)  
10. Ease of use

- Add the ability to capture and have access to Email and Phone Numbers for all Companions.

- Add the ability to capture and have access to contact information for each Commandery Commander and Recorder.
Suggested Solutions and Methodologies

1. Data Acquisition
The individual Commanderies are the best suited source for providing any kind of information as the Commandery Rosters are much smaller in size than the Commandery-In-Chief roster (membership list) and they are more directly involved in the data stream. It is also more readily accomplished and allows the individual Commandery to send any notices and communication via US Postal mail for those who do not have Email.

Mailing addresses, phone numbers and Email addresses should properly come from the individual Commanderies and they should be charged with the responsibility of ensuring that these data points are correct at all times. Changes for their Companions should then be sent to the List Coordinator for updating and re-posting of the master Membership List.

Annually, the List Coordinator will supply a copy of the individual Commandery Roster to each Commandery for verification of accuracy and also for the purpose of paying dues.

In the future, the undelivered issues of the Journal and the associated costs should pass from the Commandery In Chief to the specific Commandery or individual who is remiss in reporting accurate contact information.

2. List Additions and Data Input
In addition to the List Coordinator, define all parties who need or have the responsibility for using the Contact Information for all Commanderies and Companions. Define this list of recipients who are to be copied. Assign a single point of contact to receive the data, who shall in turn disseminate the changes to those requiring this data for the performance of their duties.

The List Coordinator shall input the data, and for security, supply a back up copy to a person to be named.

When the Commandery-In-Chief has the need to contact ALL Companions in All Commanderies via Email, he or the Commandery In Chief Recorder may do so via messaging each Commandery Commander and Recorder, who shall in turn forward such communication to all Companions in their respective Commandery. A Broadcast Email list for all Commanderies shall be created for use by the Commander-In-Chief and the Recorder.

3. Software, Operating Systems and Hardware Concerns
Before continuing, I would like to state that I am not an IT person. I am not a user of the Microsoft platform as used on Windows-based devices. My experience is mostly with the Apple OS Operating Systems and hardware.

As I do not feel I have the credentials or the experience to adequately suggest or judge the appropriateness of any one solution, I consulted with a few sources that do have that experience and can make valid and responsible recommendations.

They are as varied as the individuals who supplied their input.
**Suggestion Number 1:**
This proposed solution came from a Microsoft Certified Senior Software Engineer for a major restaurant corporation with a chain of several restaurant located throughout the United States.

He recommended to get rid of Access for a variety of reasons among them software versioning and variety of user platforms.

He recommends:
1. Build an address book accessible via our website and our dedicated server.
2. User Names and Passwords will be required.
3. Individuals will have their own profile and will be able to enter and update their own personal data (i.e.) address changes, phone numbers, Email addresses). They can access but can not change any data other than their own.
4. An Administrator will be able to make changes to every record as needed including updating data for Companions who can’t do it for themselves or do not have the equipment to do so.
5. All users would log-in to search the data for their intended/required use but can not make any changes, i.e. look up an Email address for contacting an individual.
6. It is believed by this individual that the current Access file could be imported to create the Address Book,
7. This solution could possibly eliminate the need for a List Coordinator and these duties could be easily transferred to the Recorder as the single point of contact.

**Suggestion Number 2:**
This proposed solution comes from a team of two IT guys working in the Banking Industry. They had initially thought a MySQL database would do the job. While they think it is still a viable solution as the Access Database can be easily imported, they further have expressed a concern as to the need to find a consultant/web designer to develop the webpage and the coding required to search and return the information, and most importantly at a reasonable cost.

He reached out to contacts in a University IT Department and also to students at a second college IT Department. None were interested in earning some money for the coding.

The final recommendation is:

Utilize a cloud service to store the Member List database, either in Access or Excel format that would integrate into the MOLLUS website. They recommended taking a look at: http://www.dbbee.com/

They did a trial with the free version and declared it “straightforward to use.”

In addition, to storing the Excel spreadsheet data, this site will generate code for a webpage or WordPress page integration.

The cost is $84.00 annually and would allow MOLLUS to develop any number of databases for use. The service itself is secure using existing webpage security protocols, There is also an Administrative user that would allow online editing.
This company was founded in 2014 and is headquartered in Sarajevo, Bosnia.

They use Amazon Web Services for their database services.

**Suggestion Number 3:**

I will call this one, Little Baby Steps.

This proposal is to simply add the data for Emails and Phone Numbers to the existing open fields in the Excel spread sheet and populate the data as soon as it is supplied by the Commanderies.

Create a pdf file of the Excel spread sheet that is Read Only protected or a password protected version.

Post the pdf file on the MOLLUS website/server.

As the data is update, a new file will be posted.

As List Coordinator I will share a copy of the current Excel file with the recorder for back up.

This way, we can get started on two of the major items in play.

**Other Considerations:**

We also looked at WildApricot. This software is very robust. It handles iOS and Android for mobile devices; does Email, provides an online database, uses any browser and permits managing your own data. Note: These are their claims and I can not prove what they say.

It is a bit pricey at $136 per month for up to 2,000 profiles.

The WildApricot and Constant Contact both appear to be marketing-type tools and may be too much for what our needs are.

In closing, please remember, I am not an IT guy. I do not use a Windows-based computer. My computer experience is primarily in Graphics using a Mac Computer with iOS operating systems. While it is true that there are some software packages that will allow a Mac to run Windows, my operating system is also old and can not be upgraded. I am currently able to run Office for the Mac which includes Excel v 14.1.0
National Historian’s Report

Adam Gaines  <gaines_adam@hotmail.com>  2/3/2019 10:11 AM  
To  eric_rojo, will_forbes99, Gary Grove

Fellow Companions,

A portrait of Past CinC George Mason has been located for inclusion on the website.

I have written and submitted a biography on Original Companion Sumner Homer Bodfish for publication in the Loyal Legion Historical Journal.

I do have plans to write another biography for publication in the Loyal Legion Historical Journal.

Loyally,

Adam Gaines
National Historian
Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States

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From: Gary Grove  <bucktails@comcast.net>
Sent: Sunday, February 3, 2019 8:23:47 AM
To: Adam Gaines; eric_rojo; will_forbes99
Subject: MidWinter Meeting Reports

Dear Loyal Legion Companion,

I’m pleased to announce that the proposed agenda for the upcoming Mid-Winter meeting has been posted on the Loyal Legion Website and can be viewed at:
http://www.suvcw.org/mollus/mollus.htm

The Proceedings of the 2018 Loyal Legion Congress can be viewed at

Please note that the Reports from Elected, Appointed Officers and Commanderies are optional for the upcoming Mid-Winter Meeting. However, we do wish that those Officers and Committee Chairs that have been working on topics that are slated for discussion as either Old or New Business provide a written report so that they can provide their views on how best to address these issues.

All reports must be in writing and posted on the website in advance of the meeting. This will allow other attendees to carefully consider your suggestions prior to the meeting. Oral reports may be presented during the business meeting but only if there is relevant information or an important update, to ensure our time is devoted to the business agenda.

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Companions,

Greetings. Please accept my humble apologies for not being able to make it down for the meeting. A new website vendor has not been secured as of yet. A number of proposals are in the contract review process. This new website will incorporate all the current content with a more modern look and feel. It will become as an effective tool that serves 4 major purposes: membership recruitment, member retention, dues and event gateway and historical education. The website developer that we select must keep these in the forefront as they strive to complete our desired new site. The current website will continue to function and be updated on a regular basis as content changes. I thank CIC Rojo for the privilege to continue to serve in this capacity.

Respectfully Submitted,

William F. Forbes
National Webmaster
Chair of National Internet Committee
PA Commandery Sr. Vice-Commander
February 11, 2019

FROM: CinC Washington DC Representative
To: Commander-in-Chief
SUB: 2019 Midwinter Meeting Report

I am pleased to present this report as DC Representative as a follow-up to my previous reports. As before, I suggest that MOLLUS consider both historic site preservation and commemorative measures.

The following specific items I submit for our support:

1) Shiloh National Military Park Boundary Adjustment and Parker’s Crossroads Battlefield Designation Act: This bill would designate battlefields at Davis Bridge and Fallen Timbers in Tennessee, and Russell House in Tennessee and Mississippi, as part of Shiloh National Military Park. The legislation also designates Parker’s Crossroads as an affiliated area of the National Park System. The NPS has already determined that these battlefields are nationally significant and in need of preservation and protection. The majority of the land included in this legislation is currently owned by the State of Tennessee and the Civil War Trust. In the last Congress, the legislation was passed by the House but died in the Senate with the end of the last Congress. So the process starts over again. Sen. Lamar Alexander has reintroduced the bill in the Senate as S. 138.

2) Ulysses S. Grant Bicentennial: April 27, 2022, will mark the 200th anniversary of U.S. Grant’s birth. I have several items to report in connection with this:

   a. The Ulysses S. Grant Association, Grant Monument Association, and MOLLUS have made a request to the Citizens’ Stamp Advisory Committee for the development of a series of Grant bicentennial stamps.

   b. The Grant Monument Association will soon submit a letter to elected officials calling for a number of measures on behalf of Grant’s Tomb, including the correction of maintenance problems at the site; improvement of services to visitors, including having the site properly staffed 7 days a week and expanding the current insufficient visitor facilities; and transfer of surrounding park land owned by New York City to the National Park Service. The letter will be circulated for MOLLUS and concerned citizens generally to voice their support to our elected officials. The letter will call for the following:

      i. Rehabilitation of Grant’s Tomb: 20 years after its 1997 rededication,
Grant's Tomb faces both maintenance and operational deficiencies that need to be addressed. Even though the monument's worst days are behind it, improvements do not last forever, and budget cuts have undermined the long-term preservation and visitors' enjoyment of the site.

ii. Ulysses S. Grant Commemorative Coin Act: No such bill has been introduced yet, but it would be appropriate for the U.S. mint to issue commemorative coins for the Grant bicentennial, and it would be necessary for legislation to make them legal tender. The language of this bill could follow the same format as that of the Abraham Lincoln Commemorative Coin Act, which was signed into law in 2006 for the 2009 Lincoln bicentennial.

iii. A resolution authorizing and requesting the promotion of Grant posthumously as "General of the Armies of the United States," with the appointment effective April 9, 1865. This would follow the model of a similar measure passed in 1976 during the bicentennial for George Washington, whose posthumous appointment was effective July 4, 1776.

Respectfully submitted,

Loyally,

[Signature]

Frank J. Scaturro
Appendix D

C&BL Working Document submitted by Companion Paul Lader

Nb. An official report showing a side by side comparisons of the existing language and proposed changes will be submitted by the Standing Committee on Constitution and ByLaws prior to the 2019 Congress.
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| Section 6. When a Commandery cannot be represented at a meeting of the Commandery-in-Chief, the Commander, seconded by the Recorder, may designate in writing an individual member of the Commandery-in-Chief to represent him at the meeting and vote in accordance with his instructions, the same as if he were present in person. In the absence of such a designation, the Commander-in-Chief may select a representative for such a Commandery, provided that no one proxy may represent more than one Commandery. | Section 6. When a Commandery cannot be represented at a meeting of the Commandery-in-Chief, the Commander, seconded by the Recorder, may designate in writing (letter and/or email) an individual member of the Commandery-in-Chief to represent him at the meeting and vote in accordance with his instructions, the same as if he were present in person. In the absence of such a designation, the Commander-in-Chief may select a representative for such a Commandery, provided that no one proxy may represent more than one Commandery. |
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**ARTICLE VIII OFFICERS**

Section 1. The officers of the Commandery shall include a Commander, a Senior Vice-Commander, a Recorder, and a Treasurer; and may include a Junior Vice-Commander, a Registrar, a Chancellor, a Chaplain, a Judge-Advocate, a Surgeon, and a Council consisting of not more than six Companions, who, together with the officers, and unless a Commandery rules otherwise, all Past-Commanders of the Commandery who are still Companions of the Commandery, shall constitute the Board of Officers of the Commandery. One Companion may hold any two offices at same time.

Section 3. The Commander-in-Chief may appoint the following Commandery-in-Chief officers: an Editor-in-Chief of the *Loyal Legion Historical Journal*, a National Quartermaster, a National Historian, a National Membership List Coordinator, a National Webmaster, a National Membership Contact, and a Washington DC Representative. The Commander-in-Chief may appoint additional Commandery-in-Chief officers as the need may arise provided that a job description is prepared and approved by the Board of Officers. The Commander-in-Chief may appoint assistants as the need may arise to assist current elected or appointed officers without the approval of the Board of Officers or the need to develop a new job description. Appointed officers shall not constitute members of the Board of Officers and may not vote at meetings of the Board of Officers.

**ARTICLE XI INSIGNIA OF THE ORDER**

Section 5. The Rosette of the Order shall be one-half an inch in diameter or acceptable substitute, of watered silk, with six sector-shaped sections and a rim with six diagonal stripes on its face and sides. The sector-shaped sections and stripes shall be of red, white, and blue, the red sections and stripes being double the width of those of the other colors, with a red loop in the center. For Life Members, the Rosette shall be set in gold wreath the diameter of which shall be one-sixteenth of an inch. There shall also be a miniature Rosette of similar design which may have placed behind it a ribbon five sixteenths of an inch wide and five eighths of an inch long, in silver to denote the Commander in primary residence in the state or area of the proposed Commandery.

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ARTICLE XIII DISSOLUTION

Section 1. In the event of the dissolution of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States, either by operation of law or by action of the Commandery-in-Chief, or membership as a whole, after payment of all creditors, its assets shall be distributed to the War Library and Museum for its general purposes, provided that the said War Library and Museum, or its successor is in active existence and shall accept distribution of such assets.

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b. Perform such other duties that are described in the *Commandery-in-Chief Officers and Committees Job Descriptions*, which are made part of the By-Laws, are subject to change only through the By-Laws amendment process, and are incorporated herein by reference. |
Section 6. The Chancellor-in-Chief shall welcome, via a letter, each new Companion into the Order, issue a membership card and membership rosette, and perform such other duties that are described in the Commandery-in-Chief Officers and Committees Job Descriptions, which are made part of the By-Laws, are subject to change only through the By-Laws amendment process, and are incorporated herein by reference.

Section 7. It shall be the duty of the Chaplain-in-Chief to open the several meetings of the Commandery-in-Chief with prayer and perform such other that are described in the Commandery-in-Chief Officers and Committees Job Description, which are made part of the By-Laws, are subject to change only through the By-Laws amendment process, and are incorporated herein by reference.

Section 8. The Judge-Advocate-in-Chief shall have supervision over all legal matters pertaining to the Commandery-in-Chief and perform such other duties that are described in the Commandery-in-Chief Officers and Committees Job Descriptions, which are made part of the By-Laws, are subject to change only through the By-Laws amendment process, and are incorporated herein by reference.

Section 9. The Surgeon-in-Chief shall be a practicing or retired physician. He shall supervise the general health and well-being of the Companions of the Order and perform such other duties that are described in the Commandery-in-Chief Officers and Committees Job Descriptions, which are made part of the By-Laws, are subject to change only through the By-Laws amendment process, and are incorporated herein by reference.

Section 10. The appointed position of Editor-in-Chief shall ensure that pertinent information about and concerning the Commandery-in-Chief is published in the Loyal Legion Historical Journal and disseminated to the membership on a frequency of not less than four times per calendar year, and perform such other duties that are described in the Commandery-in-Chief Officers and Committees Job Descriptions, which are made part of the By-Laws, are subject to change only through the By-Laws amendment process.
process, and are incorporated herein by reference.

Section 11. The appointed position of National Quartermaster shall serve as custodian of Commandery-in-Chief supplies, including certificates, insignia medals, ribbons, rosettes, and dies used to strike badges and medals, to keep an inventory of supplies on hand, and to issue same, on proper requisition, to Companions as promptly as possible, and perform such other duties that are described in the Commandery-in-Chief Officers and Committees Job Descriptions, which are made part of the By-Laws, are subject to change only through the By-Laws amendment process, and are incorporated herein by reference.

Section 12. The appointed position of National Historian shall collect and preserve all historical or biographical material pertaining to the Civil War, to the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States and to Companions of the Order, and perform such other duties that are described in the Commandery-in-Chief Officers and Committees Job Descriptions, which are made part of the By-Laws, are subject to change only through the By-Laws amendment process, and are incorporated herein by reference.

Section 13. The appointed position of National Membership List Coordinator shall ensure maintenance of the roster of current and past members of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States (MOLLUS) and Dames of the Loyal Legion of the United States (DOLLUS), maintenance of the mailing lists for the MOLLUS, DOLLUS, and other recipients of the Loyal Legion Historical Journal, and perform such other duties that are described in the Commandery-in-Chief Officers and Committees Job Descriptions, which are made part of the By-Laws, are subject to change only through the By-Laws amendment process, and are incorporated herein by reference.

Section 14. The appointed position of National Webmaster shall ensure that the Commandery-in-Chief's Internet presence operates in an efficient and effective manner at all times and be responsible for all aspects of the Commandery-in-Chief's Web presence, including Web content development, technical operations, and daily maintenance, and
Section 15. The appointed position of National Membership Contact shall serve as the Commandery-in-Chief’s point of reference for membership inquiries resulting from responses to national recruitment advertisements and from visitors to the Commandery-in-Chief’s Internet Web site and perform such other duties that are described in the Commandery-in-Chief Officers and Committees Job Descriptions, which are made part of the By-Laws, are subject to change only through the By-Laws amendment process, and are incorporated herein by reference.

Section 16. The appointed position of National Washington DC Representative shall serve as the official contact of the Commandery-in-Chief to the National Government and perform such other duties that are described in the Commandery-in-Chief Officers and Committees Job Descriptions, which are made part of the By-Laws, are subject to change only through the By-Laws amendment process, and are incorporated herein by reference.

Section 19. In addition to the Executive and Auditing Committees, there shall be the following Standing National Committees: Nominating, Finance and Budget, Membership, Constitution and By-Laws, History, Historic and Preservation Grants, Lincoln Death Day Observance, National Meetings, Internet, and Fraternal Relations. Special National Committees, which may be considered necessary or advisable from time to time, may be created and the members of which shall be appointed by the Commander-in-Chief. The duties of all Standing National Committees shall be described in the Commandery-in-Chief Officers and Committees Job Descriptions, which are made part of the By-Laws, are subject to change only through the By-Laws amendment process, and are incorporated herein by reference.
The order of business at all meetings of the Commandery-in-Chief shall be as follows:
1. Meeting called to order and quorum noted;
2. Invocation;
3. Pledge of Allegiance;
4. Reading of the Preamble and Principles of the Order; 5. Roll Call of Officers and Commanderies;
6. Reading of the Minutes of the last stated and all subsequent meetings, 7. Elected Officer Reports;
8. Appointed Officer Reports;
9. Standing Committee Reports;
10. Special Committee Reports;
11. Report of Loyal Legion Memorial Fund Trust;
12. Commandery Reports;
13. Old Business;
14. New Business;
15. Election of Officers (National Congresses only); 16. Investiture of Officers (National Congresses only); 17. Adjournment.

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<td>No alteration, addition or amendment to these By-Laws shall be considered unless its wording has been communicated to all Commanderies at least 60 days before the Commandery-in-Chief meeting at which it is to be acted on; and no such alteration, addition or amendment shall become effective unless agreed to by the Commandery-in-Chief by a vote of a majority of the Commanderies represented.</td>
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Appendix E

Optional Interim Reports submitted by State Commanderies

- Connecticut
- Massachusetts
February 8, 2019

The Connecticut Commandery has not held any meetings since we last reported to the Congress in October 2018. We typically resume our activities in the spring.

Our Companions have followed some of the internet email discussions that have taken pace in the last few months.

Kenneth Duane Roach, Commander
MOLLUS NATIONAL MEETING
Washington, D.C.
February 10-12, 2019
Mid-Winter Minutes

MASSACHUSETTS MOLLUS COMMANDERY REPORT

Our primary focus since the fall national meeting has been to focus on finding new members. We held a luncheon at the Union Club in Boston in January that was for potential new members. Hopefully we will have these four and one other on board by October, 2019. Our board member, Bob Schecter, who wrote a book on the ancestry of our Mass Mollus members for the National Meeting held in Framingham, Mass in 2014, has assembled a brochure highlighting events the Mass Commandery has held in the recent past.

Marston Watson will be attending the D.C. meeting in February representing Mass Mollus.

We are preparing to give 5 five hundred dollar ($500.00) awards to graduating seniors as selected by persons running the ROTC programs at Northeastern, Harvard, MIT and UMass Amherst and other colleges affiliated with them.

We will have a half dozen members led by Past Commander, Fred Stevens, at the Hingham, Massachusetts Lincoln Day ceremonies on February 16th to commemorate the ancestors of Abraham Lincoln as well as him with a wreath to be presented by Fred Stevens.

Our current membership consists of 31 Hereditary and 6 Associates members.

Respectfully submitted,

David O. Whittemore, Commander
Massachusetts Commandery