



Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Office of the Commander-in-Chief
70 Curtis Drive, East Berlin, PA 17316



GENERAL ORDER - 11 Dual Membership Review Special Committee

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:

Currently, the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War allows members to join more than one camp. There has been confusion about how our dues structure should be applied to dual members. I am also concerned that dual memberships, as we now account for them, do not accurately reflect our true membership.

The 2015 National Encampment directed me to appoint a committee to resolve these concerns. I am establishing a Dual Membership Review Special Committee to examine our current dual membership procedures. The Committee members are:

PCinC Brad Schall (Chairman)
PCinC Richard Orr (National Treasurer)
David Demmy (National Executive Director)
PCinC Ed Krieser
PCinC Perley Mellor

The special committee tasking is not limited to just the impact of dual memberships on finances or membership strength, but to any other unclear situations, including:

- What are the effects on Encampment voting strength and dual department memberships?
- Can dual memberships alter past camp, or department, commander honors?
- Can dual members count in the establishment of new camps?
- Should dual members pay National per-capita for each camp they are a member?

The special committee will provide their comprehensive findings, and policy recommendations, by the 2016 Council of Administration meeting in Springfield, IL. The Council of Administration may then recommend policy changes to the Programs and Policies Committee, or the Constitution and Regulations Committee.

Ordered this 6th day of January, 2016, in the Town of East Berlin, Pennsylvania.

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

/s/ Eugene G. Mortorff
Commander-in-Chief