

Rule 6: Discussion or personal grievances will not be in order on the floor, unless introduced by the Grievance Committee or other Committee, having the authority to consider such matters.

Rule 7: Matters concerning only an individual member, with respect to his or own personal interest shall not be in order, but may be taken before the proper committee.

Article 13 - Committees

Section 1: Chapter committees will meet at the call of the Chairman, Commander or as otherwise provided in this Constitution and By-Laws.

Section 2: Committees shall consist of not less than three (3) or more than seven (7) members (except as otherwise provided herein), including the Chairman. Committees shall be appointed by the Commander, with the approval of the Chapter in session, with the exception of the nominating Committee. The Chapter will elect, with the members present shall elect at a regular meeting.

Section 3: The Chapter shall have an "**Audit Committee**" of at least three (3) members of the Chapter, excluding the Commander, Senior Vice-Commander, Treasurer, and Adjutant.

Section 4: The Chapter's audit committee shall consist of; Judge Advocate, (1) Junior Vice-Commander and one Executive Committeeman. The Committee, may add an additional member to assist in auditing the Treasurer's books and bank statement for end of year reports.

Para 1: The audit committee shall conduct an annual audit, in accordance with the requirements of the Nat'l By-Laws within one (1) month after the close of the fiscal year.

Section 5: The Chapter shall have a Grievance Committee. ALL Chapter grievances **must** first be presented to and investigated by the grievance committee, *before* any member forwards a grievance to the Department and/or National Headquarters.

Article 14 - Events

Section 1: From time to time our Chapter will be involved in events where the public or other Chapters observe us as an organization representing all Disabled American Veterans. To that extent we will dress accordingly and uniformly as prescribed by the Executive Board or Commander resolution.

Article 15 - Amendments to By-Laws and Constitution

Section 1: The Constitution and By-Laws of our Chapter # 144, may be amended at any Chapter meeting by a positive vote of 2/3 majority, of those members in good standing, present and voting, subject to the approval of the Department and National Judge Advocates and shall become effective only after said date of approval provided:

Para 1: The By-Law(s) changes or Constitution changes are provided to the members present, at a Chapter meeting, either orally or in written form, at a minimum of two (2) monthly meetings before any actual vote and:

Para2: The proposed change(s) shall be announced in our monthly newsletter and web-site. Should the change(s) be too lengthy to publish in whole the proposal to make change(s) shall be published and a means for any member to request a copy of the proposed change(s) shall be listed. Any request for the proposed changes shall be immediately sent and a list of those requesting copies shall be maintained. The announcement(s) shall be made at least one (1) month before any actual vote and also posted in the newsletter of the month the vote will take place.