



DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS

Building Better Lives for America's Disabled Veterans

December 10, 2007

Mr. Dan Hill, Legislative Chairman
Hardy Shelby Chapter #45
Disabled American Veterans
PO Box 20465
Clarksville, TN 37042

Dear Mr. Hill:

The enclosed Amendments to the Bylaws for Hardy Shelby Chapter #45, Department of Tennessee, are hereby approved as of this date.

A copy of these Amendments is being returned to Chapter #45, a copy is being forwarded to the Department of Tennessee, and a copy is being retained in our permanent files here at National Headquarters for future reference.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael E. Dobmeier". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

MICHAEL E. DOBMEIER
National Judge Advocate

MED:as
Enclosure

c: Department of Tennessee

Resolution to amend the Chapter Bylaws

Article 3 – Executive Committee

So be it resolved specifically, Article 3, Section 3: As reads:

Appointed officers, committee chairmen and other Chapter members may attend the Chapter Executive Committee meetings, but without the right to vote.

Is amended to read:

Committee chairmen and other Chapter members may attend the Chapter Executive Committee meetings, unless the meeting has been announced as a closed meeting, but without the right to vote.

Whereas, since Chapter 45, Department of Tennessee, DAV strives to keep its Bylaws up to date and functional, it is felt that Chapter 45 should amend its Chapter Bylaws to provide for the necessity of closing certain meetings of the Executive Committee to the general membership due to the conduct of business of a personal and private nature which should not be publicly available. As it is now written in the Bylaws, any member may attend any meeting of the Executive Committee and there are rare occasions when the meetings should be closed to all but the members in order to maintain the integrity and confidentiality of the subject being discussed.

ATTEST:

Adopted after this second and final
reading on the 17 day of
September, 2007.

James E. Collins
DEPARTMENT JUDGE ADVOCATE

Carmen E. Cherry
COMMANDER

Michael E. Quinn
NATIONAL JUDGE ADVOCATE

Cynthia M. Hughes
ADJUTANT

Amendment
I CERTIFY that the within constitution
and/or by-laws does not conflict with
those of the National Organization,
and to that extent, is approved.

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CHAPTER JUDGE ADVOCATE

DATE: 12-10-07
DAV National Judge Advocate

Resolution to amend the Chapter Bylaws

Article 3 – Executive Committee

So be it resolved specifically, Article 3, Section 4: As reads:

A majority of the members of the Chapter Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum.

Is amended to read:

A majority of the members of the Chapter Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum, provided that at least 50% of the elected officers must be present.

Whereas, since Chapter 45, Department of Tennessee, DAV strives to keep its Bylaws up to date and functional, it is felt that Chapter 45 should amend its Chapter Bylaws to provide for the change in the number of members on the Executive Committee. This will insure that a majority of the members and at least half of the elected officers must be present in order for a meeting of the Executive Committee to be official.

ATTEST: _____
Adopted after this second and final reading on the 17 day of September, 2007.

James E. Collins
DEPARTMENT JUDGE ADVOCATE

Carmen E. Cherry
COMMANDER

Michael E. Quinn
NATIONAL JUDGE ADVOCATE

Cynthia M. Hughes
ADJUTANT

Amendment
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CHAPTER JUDGE ADVOCATE

DATE: 12-10-07
DAV National Judge Advocate

Resolution to amend the Chapter Bylaws

Article 8 - Finances

So be it resolved specifically, Article 8, Section 4: Is added as follows:

Section 4: In no case will any officer or member of this Chapter receive any donations or other transfers of funds made out in the name of an individual. If a donation is to be made for the purpose of completing Chapter business it must receive approval by the Executive Committee and, if time permits, the membership prior to receipt of the funds. Any such donation must be made to the Chapter and used only for the specific purpose for which it is intended. The Treasurer will then disburse the funds to the entity intended to receive the funds and not to any individual.

Whereas, since Chapter 45, Department of Tennessee, DAV strives to keep its Bylaws up to date and functional, it is felt that Chapter 45 should amend its Chapter Bylaws to preclude any appearance of impropriety in dealing with any funds coming into or going out of the Chapter. There is currently no clear definition of how certain funds must be handled which has led to misunderstandings in the past and this addition to the Bylaws will make clear to all concerned how these matters must be handled.

ATTEST: _____
Adopted after this second and final
reading on the 17 day of
September, 2007.

James E. Collins
DEPARTMENT JUDGE ADVOCATE

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COMMANDER

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NATIONAL JUDGE ADVOCATE

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CHAPTER JUDGE ADVOCATE

DATE: 12-10-07

DAV National Judge Advocate

Resolution to amend the Chapter Bylaws

Article 9 – Meetings

So be it resolved specifically, Article 9, Section 4, RULE 2: As reads:
Robert’s Rules of Order, Revised, shall govern the Chapter in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with this Constitution and Bylaws, the Department Constitution and Bylaws, or the National Constitution and Bylaws.

Is amended to read:
Robert’s Rules of Order, Newly Revised, shall govern the Chapter in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with this Constitution and Bylaws, the Department Constitution and Bylaws, or the National Constitution and Bylaws.

Whereas, since Chapter 45, Department of Tennessee, DAV strives to keep its Bylaws up to date and functional, it is felt that Chapter 45 should amend its Chapter Bylaws to require use of the latest version of Robert’s Rules of Order in the conduct of its meetings. As it is now written in the Bylaws, the version required is edition 4 of the manual, while the current version is edition 10. This later version is also the one adopted at the 2007 Department Convention by the Department of Tennessee as the one to be used in all Department meetings. This will bring the Chapter into line with the Department.

ATTEST: _____
Adopted after this second and final reading on the 17 day of September, 2007.

James E. Collins
DEPARTMENT JUDGE ADVOCATE

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COMMANDER

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NATIONAL JUDGE ADVOCATE

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ADJUTANT

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CHAPTER JUDGE ADVOCATE

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DATE: 11-26-07
DAV National Judge Advocate



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January 3, 2008

Mr. Dan Hill, Legislative Chairman
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Disabled American Veterans
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Sincerely,

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MICHAEL E. DOBMEIER
National Judge Advocate

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Enclosure

c: Department of Tennessee

Resolution to amend the Chapter Bylaws

Article 3 – Executive Committee

So be it resolved specifically, Article 3, Section 1: As reads:

The Chapter Executive Committee shall be composed of the Commander, Senior Vice Commander, Junior Vice Commander, Treasurer and any other elected Chapter officers.

Is amended to read:

The Chapter Executive Committee shall be composed of the Commander, Senior Vice Commander, Junior Vice Commander, Treasurer and any other elected or appointed Chapter officers. The Immediate Past Commander will be an ex-officio member of the Executive Committee without a vote.

Whereas, since Chapter 45, Department of Tennessee, DAV strives to keep its Bylaws up to date and functional, it is felt that Chapter 45 should amend its Chapter Bylaws to provide for the membership of all elected and appointed officers to the Executive Committee to provide for greater exchange of information and oversight of the functions of the Chapter. This also precludes actions from being undertaken without broader approval than would be possible with a smaller Executive Committee. As it is now written in the Bylaws, there are only four members of the Executive Committee and the added input of the additional members will provide more structure and better stewardship of Chapter activities.

ATTEST: _____
Adopted after this second and final
reading on the 17 day of
September, 2007.

James E. Collins
DEPARTMENT JUDGE ADVOCATE

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COMMANDER

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CHAPTER JUDGE ADVOCATE

I CERTIFY that the within constitution and/or by-laws does not conflict with those of the National Organization, and to that extent, is approved.

DATE: 1-3-08

DAV National Judge Advocate