State Department of Missouri Constitution and By-Laws

Jefferson City, Missouri
State Convention
October 8, 2016

This State Department of Missouri Constitution and By-Laws having been adopted the 12th day of May, 1984, and amended June 13, 1987, amended June 2, 1990, amended June 1, 1991, May 31, 1996. 7th day of June, 1997, And amended this day of 22nd May 2004. And amended this day of 5 June 2010, at the Convention of the Chapters, of the State of Missouri, held at Jefferson City, Missouri. Amended this day 8th October 2016 at the State Fall Conference.
Michael T. Elmore
State Adjutant

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CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

State Department of Missouri
Disabled American Veterans

ARTICLE I
Authority and Allegiance

Under the authority of Article VI of the National By-Laws of the Disabled American Veterans, there has been, and is hereby established, the Disabled American Veterans, State Department of Missouri. It hereby acknowledges its allegiance to and its affiliation with, and hereby subscribes to the jurisdiction of the National Organization of which it is a part.

ARTICLE II
Purpose

The purpose of this organization shall be as stated in Article II of the National Constitution.

ARTICLE III
Membership

SECTION 1. The Disabled American Veterans, State Department of Missouri, shall consist of all chapters of the Disabled American Veterans which have been duly organized in the State of Missouri, and which have been constituted as such according to the provisions of this Constitution and of the National Constitution of the Disabled American Veterans, and all such chapters which shall hereafter be so organized and constituted.

SECTION 2. Qualifications for membership, and the rights and privileges of membership in any chapter under the jurisdiction of this Department shall be such as are now or may hereafter be prescribed in Article III of the National Constitution of the Disabled American Veterans.

ARTICLE IV
State Conventions

SECTION 1. The Legislative Body of the Disabled American Veterans, State Department of Missouri, shall be its annual State Convention and its annual Fall Conference. The State Convention is to be held prior to the convening of the National Convention of this organization while the Fall Conference is to be held after the adjournment of the National Convention of this organization. The annual State Convention and Fall Conference will be held at a place and on a date or dates to be determined by a majority vote of the voting delegates in attendance at the preceding state convention, provided however, that if the state convention fails to designate the time and place of the succeeding convention or fall conference, the State Executive Committee shall do so, making announcement thereof at least sixty (60) days prior to the convention or fall conference date.

SECTION 2. At each State Convention, each Chapter shall be entitled to one (1) delegate and one (1) alternate, for its Charter, and an additional one (1) delegate and one (1) alternate for each fifty (50) members, or major fraction thereof, for whom per capita tax has been paid to the National Organization, and for whom state per capita tax has been received by the State Adjutant prior to the opening of said State Convention, provided however, that recognition shall not be extended to the designated delegates of any chapter which is indebted to the State Department in any amount on the first day of the Convention.

SECTION 3. Each Elective State Officer and each Past State Commander shall be entitled to one vote at the State Convention. Each accredited Chapter Delegate to the Convention shall be entitled to one vote with any additional votes of which a Chapter is entitled, being divided equally among the total number of accredited Chapter Delegates present from that Chapter. All Alternates shall have all of the privileges of Delegates except the privilege of voting. An Alternate becomes a Delegate in the absence of a Delegate. On all business before the Convention, votes shall be recorded only when the person voting has paid the Registration fee.
SECTION 4. In the call for the Annual State Convention, the State Executive Committee shall have full power to provide for the form of credentials and all other matters incident to the convening of said Convention and the rules and regulations for the holding and conducting of the pre-election caucus at said Convention, at which only duly accredited delegates and alternates shall have the privileges of the floor, which are not specifically covered by this Constitution.

SECTION 5. At each State Convention a nominating committee will meet and make nominations for each state elective office. During their meeting the nominating committee will provide any member who is a candidate for state elective office the opportunity to appear before the committee. This appearance shall be for the purpose of providing any testimony and to be interviewed by the committee. The nominating committee will consist of all past state commanders with the most junior past state commander present serving as committee chairperson. Additional nominations may be made from the floor.

ARTICLE V
State Officers

SECTION 1. Each State Convention shall elect prior to the adjournment, a State Commander, a State Senior Vice-Commander, a State First Junior Vice-Commander, a State Second Junior Vice-Commander, a State Third Junior Vice-Commander, a State Adjutant, a State Treasurer, a State Judge Advocate, and a State Chaplain. These officers shall hold office from the time of their election and installation at such Convention until their successors in office shall have been duly elected and installed. A vacancy occurring, in the office of State Commander, between State Conventions shall be filled by the State Senior Vice-Commander. All other vacancies occurring in elected offices between State Conventions may be filled by a majority vote of the members of the State Executive Committee present and voting at any regular meeting. Any State Department Office may be declared vacant upon the absence of the State Officer from three (3) consecutive meetings of the State Executive Committee by a majority vote of the members of the State Executive Committee present and voting at any regular meeting; provided, that the absence of such State Officer shall have been first voted by the same majority to be unjustified. Any vacancy in any State Elective office shall be reported to all chapters, and any vacancy in any State elective office, other than the office of the State Commander, shall be reported in due time to all chapters, and notice of said vacancy shall name the time and place at which nominations shall be made and election held to fill said vacancy for the unexpired term.

SECTION 2. Immediately after the adjournment of the State Convention, the Commander shall, with the approval of the State Executive Committee, appoint a State Historian, State Chief-of-Staff, State Inspector, State Officer of the Day, and a State Sergeant-at-Arms, all of whom shall serve at the pleasure of the appointing power.

SECTION 3. The State Commander in office at the time of the National Convention shall automatically be declared as the State Delegate to such National Convention to represent this State Department, and the State Adjutant shall be the Alternate. In the event of the inability of the State Commander or the State Adjutant to attend such National Convention, the State Commander shall appoint the State Department Alternate.

SECTION 4. The State Commander is the Executive Officer of this State Department. In the absence of the State Commander, the next highest officer, shall preside at all State Conventions, Fall Conferences, and at all meetings of the State Executive Committee. The State Commander shall perform all such other duties as may reasonably be assumed to be incident to this office, or such as are delegated to him/her by the last preceding State Convention or by the State Executive Committee.

SECTION 5. The State Senior Vice-Commander, and the State Junior Vice-Commanders, in the order named, shall in the absence of, or at the request of the State Commander, perform the duties of the State Commander, except for the signing or countersigning of checks or vouchers. The State Senior Vice Commander will serve as advisor to the State Department Legislative Committee, the State First Junior Vice Commander will serve as advisor to the State Department Membership Committee, and the State Second Junior Vice Commander will serve as advisor to the State Department Hospital Committee.

SECTION 6. The State Treasurer shall receive from the State Adjutant all monies for the State Department, and shall deposit and disburse same as provided in Article VIII of these bylaws. One copy of such vouchers shall be retained in the State Treasurer's files, and one copy shall be submitted to the State Adjutant. The State Treasurer shall keep a system of accounts approved by the State Executive Committee, and shall preserve all receipts and vouchers for
payments made, and all papers authorizing disbursements. The State Commander or the State Adjutant must countersign all checks issued by the State Treasurer. The State Treasurer shall render a report of receipts and expenditures at each regular meeting of the State Executive Committee, and shall render an annual report in writing at the State Convention, which may, by order of the State Executive Committee, have been legally audited, and which shall be submitted to the Convention Finance Committee for its analysis, criticism and recommendation for approval or disapproval.

SECTION 7. The State Adjutant shall keep a true and complete record of all business conducted by the State Department, its Executive Committee and its Finance Committee. The adjutant shall conduct all necessary correspondence to carry into effect the motions, orders and resolutions of the State Convention and the State Executive Committee not otherwise assigned, shall keep lists of chapter members and so far as possible lists of all eligible with their addresses. The adjutant shall collect all per capita tax due from chapters and all other income due to the State Department and turn those monies over to the State Treasurer for deposit. The State Adjutant shall keep a record of all income and all authorizations for disbursements approved by the State Finance Committee, which shall pass through his/her hands to the Treasurer. The State Adjutant shall officially notify in writing all members of the State Executive Committee of the time and place of regular or special meetings thereof, at least three (3) days in advance of the meeting date. The adjutant shall keep all members of the State Executive Committee constantly informed as to such actions as may have been taken by other committees. The adjutant shall attend all meetings of the State Executive Committee, and the State Finance Committee. In addition to other duties specifically assigned to him/her, the State Adjutant shall render such services as may be incidental and necessary to increase the membership activities, and effectiveness of the Disabled American Veterans, State Department of Missouri.

The State Adjutant, by and with the consent of the State Commander and the State Executive Committee, may appoint an Assistant State Adjutant to assist in conducting the affairs of the state department.

SECTION 8. The State Inspector shall, at the request of the State Commander and under the supervision of the State Commander and the State Adjutant, investigate any alleged violation of the State Department Constitution and by-laws, including but not limited to occurrences in any Chapter, subordinate or auxiliary unit which may impugn the integrity or reputation of the organization. The State Inspector shall report his recommendations to the State Commander and State Adjutant. The State Inspector shall further be subject to implementing regulations of the State Finance Committee.

SECTION 9. The State Chaplain shall perform such duties as are prescribed in the Official Ritual of the National Organization.

SECTION 10. The State Historian shall be the Publicity Officer of the State Department, and shall regularly furnish publicity matters for the State Department to the National Organization and to the newspapers in this State, with the approval of the State Commander.

SECTION 11. The State Judge Advocate shall be the legal and parliamentary advisor and counselor to the State Commander and the State Executive Committee.

SECTION 12. The State Sergeant-at-Arms shall be responsible to and report to the State Commander for those in attendance at the State Convention, Fall Conference, and at meetings of the State Executive Committee, so far as eligibility to participate in such meetings is concerned, and shall report to the State Commander as to any visitors present. The State Sergeant-at-Arms shall obey and enforce the orders of the State Commander in preserving order at the State Convention, Fall Conference, and at meetings of the State Executive Committee.

SECTION 13. The State Chief-of-Staff shall be considered the personal aide to the State Commander, accompanying the State Commander to and providing assistance in every way possible during official appearances at functions and meetings. The State Chief-of-Staff shall also perform such other duties of similar character as may be assigned by the State Commander.

SECTION 14. The State Officer of the Day shall be responsible for the military and patriotic aspects of all State Department meetings and functions. The officer of the day shall be responsible for the presentation and retirement of the State Department Colors at those functions where appropriate. The officer of the day shall act as escort to guests and visitors who are being presented at State Department functions or meetings, and shall instruct and encourage Chapter Officers of the Day in the performance of their duties as described in the DAV Ritual.
SECTION 15. State Officers may wear State Department white caps during their term of office and may continue to wear this cap after expiration of term of office providing the years office held is embroidered after their title. (Not to be worn by Appointive State Officers after expiration of term of office). Past State Commanders may wear the Official Past State Commander's Blue and Gold DAV Cap.

ARTICLE VI
State Executive Committee

SECTION 1. There shall be a State Executive Committee, which shall consist of the immediate past State Commander, all elective officers and one executive committee member from each Chapter to be selected in any way the Chapter may decide. Each Chapter Adjutant shall notify the State Adjutant in writing of the name of the Chapter Committee member, and the Alternate, if any, and only those individuals shall be recognized by the State Commander as the Chapter's Committee member, unless the Chapter Adjutant notifies the State Adjutant, in writing prior to the meeting, of another Alternate in the case of the Committee member and the Alternate being unable to attend. The State Commander shall chair the State Executive Committee Meetings. The State Adjutant shall act as secretary of the State Executive Committee. All appointive State Officers and Past State Commanders shall have all privileges of members of the State Executive Committee except those of making motions and of voting. A roll call vote shall be granted upon the request of seven (7) State Executive Committee members, or elected officers entitled to vote. No provision of this section, however, shall operate to deprive any State Officer of voting rights legally accorded by his/her Chapter as a State Executive Committee member.

SECTION 2. Between State Conventions and Fall Conferences, all legislative, administrative and executive matters not specifically covered by provisions of this Constitution or by resolution adopted at the preceding State Convention, shall be determined by majority vote of the State Executive Committee. Any State Department matters pertaining to budgetary items, revenue or expenditures shall be referred to the State Finance Committee for its recommendations, approval, or rejection.

SECTION 3. Within twenty-four hours after the adjournment of a State Convention, the said State Executive Committee shall meet, in the City in which the convention was held, to confirm the State Commander's selection of appointive State Officers and to determine insofar as possible, the policies to be adhered to by the Executive Officers of the State Department until the time of the next annual convention, or until such policies may be modified by a subsequent meeting of the State Executive Committee.

SECTION 4. Regular Meetings of the State Executive Committee shall be held, (1) within twenty-four hours prior to the convening of the Annual State Convention, (2) within twenty-four hours after the adjournment of the State Convention, and (3) during the annual State department Fall Conference. The State Commander may call a special meeting of the Committee at any time. Upon written request of seven (7) members of the Committee, the State Adjutant shall call a special meeting. Written notice of the time and place of all meetings, regular or special shall be given by the State Adjutant to all members of the Committee, with as much notice as possible, but at least three (3) days before the time of the meeting. Ten (10) Executive Committee members from the several chapters, plus two (2) of the State Officers, which may include the immediate Past Commander, shall constitute a quorum to conduct such business as may come before any of its meetings. When not otherwise indicated on the written notice, State Executive Committee Meetings shall be open to all members of all Chapters of the State.

SECTION 5. Subject to the approval of the State Executive Committee, the State Commander shall have the power to appoint any Committee to function in any matters, which the commander may deem necessary, but in no case is any such committee to give publicity to any of its findings or recommendations without the consent of the State Commander, nor shall any such committee incur any expense without specific prior authority from the State Finance Committee.

ARTICLE VII
Chapter Organization

SECTION 1. Charters for new local chapters of this organization shall be issued in accordance with the procedure as provided for in Article VI, SECTION 6.2 of the National Constitution and bylaws.
SECTION 2. Each local chapter, under the jurisdiction of this State Department, must adopt its own Constitution and by-laws, Rules and Regulations, and determine its own dues, providing that same shall not be in conflict with the provisions of this Constitution and by-laws or of any action taken by a State Convention, nor shall any of such provisions be inconsistent with the Constitution and by-laws of the National Organization, or any action taken by its National Convention. Each Local Chapter shall submit its Constitution and by-laws to the Headquarters of this State Department for approval of the State Judge Advocate, then by the National Judge Advocate. If the State Judge Advocate does not approve the above, in transmitting the same to the National Judge Advocate, he/she must state the reasons for such disapproval of which is not binding on the National Judge Advocate. Amendments must also be submitted to the State Judge Advocate and National Judge Advocate for approval.

SECTION 3. The Charter of any Chapter may be revoked by the National Executive Committee upon its own initiative, or upon the recommendation of the State Executive Committee.

SECTION 4. The State Commander may suspend the Charter of a Chapter for a period of thirty (30) days or more, but not to exceed three months, for violations of the Constitution and by-laws of the organization or refusal to comply with the lawful orders of the National Convention, National Executive Committee, State Commander or State Executive Committee. The State Commander taking such action shall notify the Chapter and the National Commander of such action, in writing, within fourteen (14) days thereof, giving the reasons therefore. The Chapter so suspended may appeal directly to the National Commander and the National Commander may, in his discretion, revoke such suspension. While under suspension (and not under trusteeship) no meetings shall be held in the name of the Chapter or organization, except for the sole purpose of the discussion of the cause, effect or removal of the penalty. No funds of the Chapter shall be expended or an obligation incurred during and while the order of suspension is in force and effect.

SECTION 5. Any State Officer may be recalled upon the written demand of three-fourths (3/4) of the local Chapters under the jurisdiction of this State Department, providing that the number of votes combined, to which such Chapters may have been entitled at the time of the last preceding State Convention, was equal to more than one-half (1/2) of the total number of votes to which all Chapters, in the State Department were entitled.

SECTION 6. All chapters under the jurisdiction of this State Department must submit an annual finance report to Disabled American Veterans, State Department of Missouri in accordance with the procedures as provided for in, Article 9, Section 9.3 of the National Constitution and by-laws, regardless of the amount of gross receipts.

ARTICLE VIII
Finances

SECTION 1. Revenue - The revenue of this State Department shall be derived from per capita tax, contributions, and such other sources as may be approved by its State Convention or its State Finance Committee, and the National Organization.

SECTION 2. Finance Committee -

Para. 1. All revenue, expenditures and investments of the State Department shall be under the direct supervision of a State Finance Committee composed of the State Commander, the State Treasurer, the State Adjutant and three (3) other members, each of whom shall be a member in good standing of a Chapter in the State Department of Missouri, and shall be elected for a term of three (3) years by a majority vote of the State Convention. The State Commander shall serve as an ex-officio member without the right to vote except in the absence of the State Treasurer.

Para. 2. The State Treasurer shall be the State Finance Committee Chairperson. Four (4) members of the Finance Committee shall constitute a quorum. The State Adjutant shall be Secretary of, and shall attend the meetings of the [said] Finance Committee. The [said] Finance Committee shall meet in conjunction with each scheduled meeting of the State Executive Committee, and at such other times as may be deemed necessary by its Chairman.

SECTION 3. Expenditures - Not more than ninety percent (90%) of the estimated income for the fiscal year shall be expended in that year. The remainder, or any part of it, when received as actual income, shall be set aside as a Reserve in a Federally Insured Banking Agency. No portion of this Reserve shall be expended except upon the majority approval of the State Finance Committee present and voting at any meeting of that committee and comply with Article 18 of the National Constitution and by-laws.
SECTION 4. Depository - The State Finance Committee shall designate the depository or depositories for all revenue of this State Department.

SECTION 5. Accountability - All funds received in the name of this State Department by any officer or committee shall be deposited forthwith in the designated depository, where such funds shall be and remain the property of the State Department until such time as they are properly expended or remitted in accordance with the direction of the State Finance Committee: provided, however, that in case of any extraordinary fund-raising enterprise entered into, a committee in charge of such enterprise may, with the approval of the State Finance Committee, receive and expend from those receipts such amounts as may be necessary in the transaction of the particular business in which the committee is engaged. All such committees shall make complete accounting of all receipts and expenditures to the State Finance Committee for audit and approval.

SECTION 6. Withdrawals - No withdrawals or transfers or payments from funds of the State Department except the normal operating expenses, shall be made by the Treasurer except upon written authority of a majority of the members of the State Finance Committee at a duly called meeting of the [said] Finance Committee. The annual budget shall be considered written authority for all budgeted items of the current fiscal year.

SECTION 7. Reports - The State Auditing Committee shall audit the records and accounts of the State Treasurer and the State Adjutant, annually, prior to the State Convention, and following such audit shall render a written report thereof to the State Convention.

SECTION 8. Travel Expense - This State Department may pay the actual expenses, limited to transportation, hotel rooms, meals and other essential items, to the State Elective Officers, the State Service Officers, the State Executive Committee members, the State Finance Committee members, the State Inspector, the State Historian, the State Chief-of-Staff, or any State Committee, whose duties require their attendance at official meetings of the Organization or in the conduct of official business of the Organization as may be authorized by the State Commander, the State Adjutant or the State Convention. Any limit to travel expenses paid to the above State Department Officials shall be set by the State Finance Committee.

SECTION 9. Fund Raising - Neither this State Department, nor any Chapter nor Auxiliary shall enter into any fund-raising project which is expected to gross over $1,000.00, not previously approved by the National Executive Committee, without prior approval of the State Executive Committee, and the National Executive Committee when necessary.

SECTION 10. Per Capita Tax - The State Department Per Capita Tax shall be one ($ 1.00) dollar per annual member per year.

SECTION 11. Fidelity Bond - The State Department shall provide a blanket Fidelity Bond for all amounts of the cash assets of the State Department which is in excess of $100,000, covering all State Officers having custody of the funds of this organization.

ARTICLE IX
State Department Service Program

SECTION 1. This State Department shall set up a State Department Service Program with full time and/or part time State Service Officers, who will be under the direct supervision of the National Service Officer Supervisor assigned to the State of Missouri.

SECTION 2. The State Department shall establish a Veterans Service Committee with the National Service Office Supervisor as permanent Chairman. The Veterans Service Committee (VSC) shall be composed of the Chairman, State Commander, State Adjutant and three (3) board members, each of whom shall be a member in good standing of a Chapter in the State Department of Missouri. Each board member shall be elected to a three-year term, with one member to be elected annually. The VSC will meet prior to Finance Committee meetings at the Department Convention and Department Fall Conference or any other meeting as determined necessary and properly called by the Committee Chairman. The Finance Committee will take appropriate deliberation and action on VSC actions during their meeting, which follows the VSC meeting. The Department Adjutant shall serve as the secretary of this committee, and the Department Commander shall be an ex officio member who does not have the right to vote in
this committee except in the absence of the Chairman. In the absence of the Committee Chairman, the State Commander shall serve at the Chairman Pro Tem.

The VSC will oversee funds and approve all vehicle purchases for the National DAV Volunteer Transportation Network (VTN) program. Additionally, the VSC shall administer all monies or other, properties deemed necessary and approved for the Department Service Program. The disposition of all returned vehicles from the Department of Veterans Affairs and other donated vehicles must be processed in accordance with VHA Directives. The VSC will also determine if the van shall be returned to the appropriate Chapter, if that Chapter provided the majority of funding for said vehicle. In this event, the donor will then make the decision as to the sale or other disposition of the returned vehicle, consistent with Sound Business Practices in accordance with Section 8.4 of the National By-Laws.

SECTION 3. Personnel Policy - The State Department shall adopt a Personnel Policy for the State Department Service Program. This policy, prior to being implemented, must be submitted to the Supervisor of the National Service office assigned to Missouri for review and recommendations. The National Service office Supervisor shall then submit the policy to the State Finance Committee and State Executive Committee who shall have final authority for the adoption of the State Department's Personnel Policy.

SECTION 4. Salaries - All salaries or salary adjustments for State Service Officers or their staff must be approved by the State Finance Committee. The State Executive Committee may override the decision of the State Finance Committee by a majority vote of the SEC's present at any regular committee meeting.

SECTION 5. All final administrative actions to include disciplinary actions, hiring and firing of all DSO's/HSC's shall be the sole authority of the Department Service Director. Staffing above the current approved personnel must be approved by the State Finance Committee and State Executive Committee.

ARTICLE X
Policy

SECTION 1. The Disabled American Veterans is organized for the primary purpose of serving the interest of the war disabled, therefore this Organization shall be non-political and non-sectarian and the name of this Organization or name of any unit thereof shall not be used in representing the desires or wishes of its membership in any political, sectarian or labor dispute, except as hereinafter provided. Provided, however, that the foregoing shall not prevent this Organization or any unit thereof from participating in political issues which have a direct bearing upon the welfare of America's disabled veterans.

ARTICLE XI
Auxiliaries

SECTION 1. This State Department recognizes the Auxiliary Organizations recognized in the National Constitution of the Disabled American Veterans. The Auxiliaries of this State Department shall not enter into any fund-raising project without prior approval of the State Executive Committee and the National Executive Committee, except as provided for by the National Constitution and By-laws.

ARTICLE XII
Amendments

SECTION 1. This Constitution may be amended at any State Convention by a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the vote cast on any proposed amendment, provided the proposed amendment shall have been presented in writing, shall have been considered by the Convention Committee on Constitution and By-Laws, and shall have been read to the Convention at least two (2) hours before the final vote thereon.

SECTION 2. The Constitution and By-laws of the State Department of Missouri may be amended at any time by a referendum vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the Chapters in the State Department providing that the number of votes combined, to which such Chapters may have been entitled at the time of the last preceding State Convention, was equal to more than half (1/2) of the total number of votes to which all Chapters in the State Department were then entitled, and provided said amendment shall have been presented at least thirty (30) days before the Chapter meeting at which the vote is taken. The National Judge Advocate prior to said amendment taking effect shall approve any amendments approved by the State Convention or referendum vote.
SECTION 3. To the extent to which any provisions of this Constitution and Bylaws are, or may at any time become, inconsistent or in conflict with the provisions of the Constitution and Bylaws and lawful mandates, decisions and regulations of the National Organization, as now in force or as hereafter amended or adopted, this instrument shall be deemed amended as to conform thereto.

ARTICLE XIII
Attest


ATTEST:

STATE ADJUTANT

STATE COMMANDER

STATE JUDGE ADVOCATE

APPROVED BY:

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: 1-9-17

DAV National Judge Advocate
STATE DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI
DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS

STATE COMMANDERS

First State Convention
May 11 - 13, 1984 Jefferson City
George O. Robinson; (Deceased)
Queen City Chapter No. 10

Second State Convention
June 14- 16, 1985 Jefferson City
Edward L. Wallace (Deceased)
St. Louis Chapter No. 1

Third State Convention
June 6-8, 1986 Jefferson City
William H. Carman (Deceased)
Butler County Chapter No. 4

Fourth State Convention
June 12-14, 1987
Jefferson City
Harry L. Herron (Deceased)
Gasconade County Chapter No.49
(Served from 6-13-87 to 7-12-87)

Fifth State Convention
June 10-12, 1988
Jefferson City
Dean Riley (Deceased)
North Missouri Chapter No. 48
(Served from 7-12-87 to 6-10-89)

Sixth State Convention
June 9-11, 1989 Jefferson City
Kenneth P. Hale
St. Louis Chapter No. 1

Seventh State Convention
June 1-3, 1990 Jefferson City
Ronald M. Taggart
Oliver-Buehrle Chapter No. 17

Eighth State Convention
May 31 - June 2, 1991 Jefferson City
Michael A. Stokes
Lebanon Chapter No. 51

Ninth State Convention
May 29-31, 1992 Jefferson City
Harold L. (Hal) Coss
E. Schumann-Heink Chapter No. 2

Tenth State Convention
June 4-6, 1993 Jefferson City
Bernard L. Walkowiak
Marshfield Chapter No. 70

Eleventh State Convention
June 3-5, 1994 Jefferson City
Jerry W. Bay
Eugene S. Hurt Chapter No. 67

Twelfth State Convention
June 2-4, 1995 Jefferson City
Larry M. Endicott
St. Louis Chapter No. 1

Thirteenth State Convention
May 31 - June 2, 1996 Jefferson City
Walter Head
Buffalo Chapter No. 62

Fourteenth State Convention
June 6-8, 1997 Jefferson City
Irv Brabant
E. Schumann-Heink Chapter No. 2

Fifteenth State Convention
June 5 - 7, 1998 Jefferson City
Mick Jones
Oliver Buehrle Chapter No. 17

Sixteenth State Convention
June 4 – 6, 1999 Jefferson City
Harold Menzel
St. Louis Chapter No. 1

Seventeenth State Convention
June 1-3, 2000 Jefferson City
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Queen City Chapter No. 10
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Stan W. Pealer
May 12, 1984 - June 10, 1989

Paul D. Pealer
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Larry E. Daniels
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Michael T. Elmore
June 5, 2010 –

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Mr. Michael T. Elmore, Adjutant
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Dear Adjutant Elmore:

The Constitution and Bylaws for the Department of Missouri is hereby approved as of this date.

A copy of this document is being returned to the Department, and a copy is being retained in our permanent files here at National Headquarters for future reference.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

MICHAEL E. DOBMEIER
National Judge Advocate

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