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TEXAS DIVISION SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS

CONSTITUTION

PREAMBLE

In the name of a reunited country, the Texas Division of the Sons of Confederate Veterans declares the follow purposes:

An unquestioned allegiance to the Constitution of the United States of America, largely written and expounded by Southern men, the very Magna Charta of our liberties; a strict construction of all sections conferring power upon the Federal Government, and the implied and understood reservations to the States arising therefrom; and a general attitude of opposition to further amendment thereof. We adhere to the principles of the Great Charter of England granted at Runnymede, 1215 A. D., and the Anglo-Saxon rights and personal liberties transmitted to us thereunder;

To associate in one united, compact body all men of Confederate ancestry, and to cultivate, perpetuate and sanctify the ties of fraternity and friendship entailed thereby; To aid and encourage the recording and teaching with impartiality of all Southern history and achievement from Jamestown to this present era, seeing to it especially that the events of the War Between the States are authentically and clearly written, and that all documents, relics, and mementos produced and handed down by the active participants therein are properly treasured and preserved for posterity;

To Comfort, succor, and assist needy Sons of Confederate Veterans, their wives, widows and orphans;

To urge, aid and assist in the erection of suitable and enduring monuments and memorials to all Southern valor, military and civil, wherever found, particularly stressing that of our heroic Confederate ancestors, who by their sacrifice perpetuated unto us and our descendants that glorious heritage of valor, chivalry and honor which we now hold and venerate; and to instill into our descendants a devotion to and reverence for the principles represented by the Confederate States of America, to the honor, glory and memory of our fathers who fought in that cause.

ARTICLE I - TITLE

This Confederation of the Sons of Confederate Veterans shall be known as the Texas Division Sons of Confederate Veterans.

ARTICLE II - NATURE

SECTION 1.

The Texas Division Sons of Confederate Veterans, shall be historical, fraternal educational, charitable, benevolent, patriotic, non-political and non-sectarian.

SECTION 2.

The Texas Division Sons of Confederate Veterans, has principal offices in the Confederate Research Center, Harold B. Simpson Hill College History Complex, Hillsboro, Texas.

SECTION 3.

It is the desire and intention of the Texas Division Sons of Confederate Veterans, to function at all times as an organization which is qualified to receive donations which are deductible by the donor for income tax purposes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.

SECTION 4.

The Texas Division, Incorporated operates as a subsidiary of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, Incorporated, a Texas nonprofit corporation.

ARTICLE III - ORGANIZATION

SECTION 1.

The several constituted bodies of the Division shall be as follows:
(a) of organizations known as Camps; each Camp to have a name, and be assigned a number by International Headquarters upon admittance to the Confederation, and;
(b) of organizations of Camps known as Brigades. The Texas Division shall be comprised of as many Brigades as deemed advisable by the Division Convention, the Division Executive Council, or the Division Commander, provided that there shall not be more than one Brigade for two (2) Congressional Districts.

ARTICLE IV - MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1.

All male descendants, lineal or collateral, of those who served honorably in the Confederate military or governmental service shall be eligible for membership in the Camps of the Texas Division. No member under sixteen (16) years of age shall have the right to vote. No one shall be admitted under twelve (12) years of age.

SECTION 2.

Membership in the Texas Division of the Sons of Confederate Veterans is membership in the General Organization of the Sons of Confederate Veterans by affiliation with a Camp in the Texas Division.

SECTION 3.

Membership in the Texas Division is attained by membership in good standing in an active Camp within the Division. A member may affiliate himself as a non-voting Associate Member with more than one Camp by paying Camp dues to each Camp into which he is accepted. However, he may not hold office nor be counted as a regular member in such a Camp, and he must maintain active membership and pay full Camp, Division, and General dues to one and only one Camp, which shall be the only Camp, which shall count him as a member and in which he may hold office.

SECTION 4.

No one shall be admitted to membership in any Camp until satisfactory proof of the foregoing qualifications is submitted in duplicate on official applications. The Camp shall preserve the original, and the duplicate shall be forwarded to International Headquarters for record and preservation. The Division Adjutant must also be notified of the new member's name and address.

SECTION 5.

Membership in the Texas Division shall be two kinds, viz: (a) Annual membership in one of the Camps of the Texas Division, and; (b) Life membership in the Texas Division. For such a membership, the member is to pay an amount equal to 21 times the Division annual per capita tax as stated in Article XI - Finances, Section 3. He is to be furnished with a Texas Division Life Member badge. The member shall be exempt from payment of the Texas Division per capita tax and dues to the Division after payment is made.

SECTION 6.

Once a member has attained the status of life Texas Division, he shall no longer be required to pay dues to the Texas Division, and he shall remain a member of the Texas Division for as long as he meets all other requirements for membership in the Texas Division or the general association of Sons of Confederate Veterans. If a life member becomes disqualified for membership in an SCV Camp within the Texas Division, his Division life membership shall be suspended. Should the member be reinstated into a Camp of the Texas Division, his Division life membership shall be reinstated with no reinstatement fee.

SECTION 7.

Every Compatriot in the Texas Division in good standing will be privileged to attend meetings of any organization within the Texas Division and to receive the fraternal consideration it is designed to foster.

ARTICLE V - DIVISION CONVENTION

SECTION 1.

The legislative body of the Texas Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans shall be a Convention of the Camps comprising the Division, to be held annually at a time to be fixed two years in advance by the Division Convention, the Division Executive Council, or the Division Commander. The time shall be during the month of June.

SECTION 2.

The Division Commander, or in the event of his absence, death, or resignation, the First Lieutenant Division Commander, at the request of a majority of the Camps, or of the Division Executive Council, shall convene the Division in special meeting, if he deems the emergency sufficient.

SECTION 3.

Should the Texas Division fail to hold a bi-annual election Division Convention or to elect a successor to the office of Division Commander in case the bi-annual election Division Convention is held, a vacancy shall be deemed to exist in that office. The non-election year convention shall be reserved for official division business, information and training.

SECTION 4.

The Division Convention shall be called to order by the Division Commander, the Convention Chairman for the host Camp, or a member appointed for

that purpose. After prayer by the Division Chaplain, or in his absence, the ranking Chaplain, and the addresses of welcome, control of the Convention shall be given to the Division Commander, who will take charge of the Division Convention and instruct the Division Adjutant to call the roll of Camps of the Division, in numerical order. As the Camps are called, the chairman of each delegation will answer and hand to the Division Adjutant the credentials of his delegation. The Division Commander shall then appoint a Committee on Credentials, to whom shall be referred all the credentials of delegates. This Committee shall verify these by report of the Division Adjutant, arrange the roll of the Convention and assign each Camp its number of votes. This report shall be signed by the Committee and handed to the Division Commander. After the approval of this report, the meeting shall proceed to business on the basis fixed therein.

SECTION 5.

The rules of procedure at any Division Convention shall be those set forth in Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised, except where they may be altered by the Convention.

SECTION 6.

A quorum shall exist at the Division Convention when one-fourth (1/4) of all Camps are represented.

ARTICLE VI - DIVISION OFFICERS

SECTION 1.

At each bi-annual election Division Convention, the Division Convention shall elect a Division Commander, and three Lieutenant Division Commanders. A Commander, a First Lieutenant Commander, and a Second Lieutenant Commander for each of the Brigades of the Division shall be elected by the members of their respective Brigades in Brigade Meetings during the Division Convention. All three of these elected Brigade officers shall be from different camps in their respective Brigades unless waived in writing by the other Camps in that Brigade. These Officers, division and brigade, shall be elected for a term of two years. Officers may succeed themselves, but the Division Commander shall not be elected to more than one two-year term. All officers shall be members of the Staff of the Division Commander. In addition, the Division Commander shall appoint the following officers to be members of his Staff: a Division Chief of Staff, a Division Adjutant, a Division Chaplain, a Division Color Sergeant, a Division Judge Advocate and such additional assistants and Aides-de-Camp as he may deem necessary.

SECTION 2.

Such officers shall serve until the new officers are elected or appointed and installed. Officers shall be elected and installed during the Division Convention.

SECTION 3.

All elected officers may be removed from office by the Division Executive Council by a four-fifths (4/5) vote. All appointed officers may be dismissed from office by the Division Commander or by the Executive Council by a four-fifths (4/5) vote. The Division Adjutant, having custody of the funds, shall give adequate bond, which shall be approved by the Division Executive Council.

SECTION 4.

Each Division Commander who serves a full two-year term shall have the title of Past Commander, Texas Division. He shall take rank in parades and in all other respects next to the Division Commander. Those Division Commanders who shall not have served a full two-year term may have these privileges conferred on them by motion, receiving four-fifths (4/5) of the votes cast at any Division Convention.

SECTION 5.

All Past Division Commanders, while in good standing in their respective Camps, shall be life delegates to all Conventions of the Texas Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans, with full voting privileges.

ARTICLE VII - DUTIES OF OFFICERS

SECTION 1.

The Division Commander shall be the executive head of the Texas Division Sons of Confederate Veterans with full responsibility and power to enforce the provisions of the Division Constitution, the will of the Division Convention, and the decisions and orders of the Division Executive Council, and to this effect he may issue all necessary orders. The Division Commander shall be an ex-officio member of all Division committees. The Division Commander shall apply himself in organizing the State of Texas into Brigades and Camps; he shall be careful to have all the requirements of the General and Division Constitutions strictly complied with in the formation of Brigades and Camps; be intermediary in their relation with International and Department Headquarters, and see to the execution of all orders received therefrom. He shall assist the Department Commanders by counsel or otherwise. He shall promptly transmit to International and Department Headquarters copies of all general and special orders, and all circulars, circular letters, and other literature which he may issue. The Division Commander shall be chairman of the Division Convention and the Division Executive Council and shall decide all questions of law, order, or usage. In cases not provided for by this Constitution, he shall be empowered to act for the good of the Division as circumstances, in his judgment, require, subject in all such decisions and acts to appeal to the Division Convention. Vacancies occurring among officers, except those of Lieutenant Division Commanders, shall be filled by him until the next Division Convention. During the interim between Division Conventions, he shall have full charge of the conduct of the affairs of the Texas Division, limited as stated previously, amendable in all cases by the next Division Convention. He shall direct and assign the responsibilities of all elected and appointed Division officers, appoint all necessary committees, and perform such other duties as are usually incident to the office.

SECTION 2.

The Lieutenant Division Commanders shall assist the Division Commander in the performance of his duties as directed by the Division Commander. They shall be members of the Division Executive Council. The Lieutenant Division Commanders, in succession (first, second and third), shall perform the duties of the Division Commander in his absence, and in case of a vacancy in the office due to his death, resignation, or other cause, shall become Division Commander for the unexpired term.

SECTION 3.

The Brigade Commanders shall command Brigades. They shall apply themselves in organizing their Brigades into Camps, and they shall assist the Division Commander by counsel or as otherwise directed by the Division Commander. They shall also encourage the enrollment into Camps of all Sons of Confederate Veterans in their Brigades, supervise the work of their Camps, and see to the enforcement of all orders from the Division Commander, Division Executive Council, or Division Convention. They shall act as representatives of the Division Commander on all matters referred to them by him, and shall, on his request, perform such other duties as are usually incident to the office. They shall be members of the Division Executive Council. To assist him in his work, each Brigade Commander may appoint a Brigade Adjutant and as many Brigade Aides-de-Camp as he deems necessary.

SECTION 4.

The Camp Commanders shall command Camps. They shall supervise the work of their Camps and see to the enforcement of all orders from Division Headquarters, and make regular written reports to International and Division Headquarters stating the condition of their Camps and the work, which they have done.

SECTION 5.

The Division Chief of Staff shall be charged with the administration of the policies of the Division Convention, the Division Executive Council, and the Division Commander. He shall coordinate the Division Staff in its duties. He shall keep the proceedings of the Division Convention, special Division meetings, and the Division Executive Council. He shall issue the general orders of the Division Commander, under his signature. He shall issue and maintain meeting notices and agendas of the Convention and of the Executive Council. He shall maintain records of such Division awards as directed by the Division Commander.

SECTION 6.

The Division Adjutant shall collect and be the custodian of the funds of the Division. He shall prepare budgets for the expenditure of Division funds on a yearly basis. He shall make reports of the condition of the treasury when called for by the Division Commander. He shall maintain a roster of the Executive Council, a roster of camps and a roster of all life members of the Texas Division. He shall review requests for funds and shall report his findings and recommendations to the Division Commander and Executive Council for action. He shall maintain the Division Adjutants' Manual and shall guide the Brigade and Camp Adjutants in their duties. He shall maintain the official updated version of the Division Constitution and shall cause this to be published yearly in the Division Newsletter and on the Division Website.

SECTION 7.

The Judge Advocate shall advise the Division Commander and the Executive Council on all legal matters and construction and interpretation of the Division and General Constitutions. In the absence of a Division Parliamentarian, the Judge Advocate shall act as Division Parliamentarian at all Division or Executive Council meetings.

SECTION 8.

The Color Sergeant shall be responsible for maintaining the Division colors and present them at all meetings. The Color Sergeant shall also be responsible for liaison with reenactment groups.

SECTION 9.

The Chaplain shall open and close all Division meetings with prayer, and he shall perform such divine and Christian activities as prescribed by the Division Commander. He shall send proper condolences to the families of deceased members as he is notified by the respective Camps.

ARTICLE VIII - EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

SECTION 1.

Between Division Conventions, the administrative power of the Convention Body shall be vested in the Division Executive Council, which is composed of the Division Commander, Lieutenant Division Commanders, Brigade Commanders, Lieutenant Brigade Commanders, Division Chief of Staff, Division Adjutant, Division Judge Advocate and all past Division Commanders.

SECTION 2.

The Executive Council shall meet at the place of the Division Convention. The Division Commander may call other meetings as he deems necessary or upon written request of three members of said Council.

SECTION 3.

The Division Commander shall be the Chairman of the Division Executive Council.

SECTION 4.

Six (6) members shall constitute a quorum of the Executive Council.

SECTION 5.

No member of the Executive Council shall cast more than one vote on any motion before the Executive Council.

ARTICLE IX - CAMP ORGANIZATION

SECTION 1.

The number of persons defined by the Constitution of the General Organization that are in possession of the prescribed eligibility qualifications may make application for permission to form a Camp.

SECTION 2.

The minimum members of a Camp shall be in agreement with that number defined by the Constitution of the General Organization.

SECTION 3.

The deadline date for paying per capita tax shall be the same as specified in the General Organization Constitution. Any member whose per capita tax for any fiscal year is not transmitted to the Division Adjutant by the deadline date

of that fiscal year shall be automatically suspended. Suspended members and former members may be reinstated to full membership upon payment to the Division Adjutant of a reinstatement fee of \$1.00 and payment of the full per capita tax for the fiscal year during which the member is reinstated. Thereafter, a reinstated member shall be liable for the per capita tax for succeeding fiscal years at the same time as other renewing members. "Transmitted to" shall mean delivery by hand, postmarked by the United States Postal Service or received by a private courier. Envelopes containing per capita tax payments postmarked or stamped received after the deadline date shall be retained by the Division Adjutant as proof of membership suspension.

SECTION 4.

Each Camp shall elect the following officers: a Commander, a First Lieutenant Commander, an Adjutant, a Chaplain and a Treasurer, provided that, if the Camp prefers, the Adjutant may be appointed by the Commander. Additional officers may be appointed or elected as desired.

SECTION 5.

Camp officers shall be elected to serve for a period of one year or two years, taking office in the month of January, and they shall continue to serve until their successors are elected and qualified.

SECTION 6.

All Camps shall have the full enjoyment of the right to govern themselves, provided that they shall be subject to this Constitution and amendments thereof.

SECTION 7.

Camp officers shall have their duties defined by the Constitution of the Camps that create them, provided the duties so defined are not in conflict with the provisions of this Constitution.

SECTION 8.

No Camp shall take part or vote in the Division Convention unless said Camp is in good standing with the General Organization and the Texas Division and has paid the recording fees and per capita tax on all its members as prescribed by this Constitution and Constitution of the General Organization.

SECTION 9.

Camps in arrears for four months in payment of per capita taxes, dues, and fees levied upon them shall be classed as delinquent and six months' arrearage shall automatically impose suspension from all privileges of the Division and the Confederation.

ARTICLE X - REPORTS

SECTION 1.

Each Camp Commander or Adjutant shall make such reports as specified by International Headquarters and in accordance with schedules established by International Headquarters. Such reports shall be prepared in quadruplicate, utilizing forms furnished by International Headquarters. Reports must be submitted by June 1 of each year, one copy forwarded to International Headquarters, the second to the Texas Division Commander, the third to the Division Adjutant, and the Camp shall retain the fourth copy. The report will

include a Camp roster, in which Real Sons of Confederate Veterans and Associate Members (if included) of the Camp are clearly identified as required elsewhere in this Constitution. Any outstanding balance of the required payment of the per capita tax shall accompany the report and roster to International Headquarters.

SECTION 2.

The Division Commander or Adjutant shall make reports as specified by International Headquarters and in accordance with schedules established by International Headquarters. Such reports shall be prepared in triplicate, utilizing forms furnished by International Headquarters. Reports must be submitted by July 1 of each year, one copy forwarded to International Headquarters, the second to the Army of the Trans-Mississippi Department Commander, and the third copy retained by the Division.

SECTION 3.

All Camps are requested to forward to International Headquarters ten (10) days prior to the General Convention of the Confederation a supplementary report, including all new members or dues collected and all roster changes since the annual report. Copies must be submitted to the Texas Division Commander and the Division Adjutant.

ARTICLE XI - FINANCES

SECTION 1.

The fiscal year of the Division shall be the same as the General Organization.

SECTION 2.

The revenue of the Division shall be derived from annual membership dues, from interest on life membership fees, and from such other sources as may be approved by the Executive Council.

SECTION 3.

(a) Annual per capita tax of five dollars (\$5) shall be paid by each Camp to the Division Adjutant for every active member, with the exception of Real Sons and life members of the Texas Division. In order for a member to be considered in good standing in the Texas Division, that member must be current in his payment of per capita tax to a Camp within the Texas Division, the Texas Division itself and the General Organization.

(b) Any member whose per capita tax is not transmitted to the Division Adjutant by February 1st shall be automatically suspended. A suspended member may be reinstated to full membership upon payment to the Division Adjutant of a \$1.00 late fee and full per capita tax for the fiscal year during which the member was suspended. "Transmitted to" shall mean delivery by hand, postmarked by the United States Postal Service or received by a private courier. Envelopes containing per capita tax payments postmarked or stamped received after February 1st shall be retained by the Division Adjutant as proof of membership suspension.

SECTION 4.

An amount of one dollar (\$1) of the per capita tax shall be dedicated toward the expenses of the annual Division Convention. An amount of one dollar (\$1) of interest paid on the Life Membership Fund for each Life Member of the Texas Division shall also be dedicated toward the expenses of the annual

Division Convention. No registration fee shall be required for attendance at any Division Convention.

SECTION 5.

Annual per capita tax shall be transmitted to the Division Adjutant with a listing of names, address changes if necessary and membership numbers of renewing members or a copy of the application of a new member (or complete information therefrom) for whom the per capita tax is paid at the time of transmittal of the tax. Real Sons and life members of the Texas Division shall be listed and identified. Renewing, reinstating and new members whose per capita tax is transmitted to the Division Adjutant after May 21st shall not be enumerated for Camp representation at the Division Convention of the same year. "Transmitted to" shall mean delivery by hand, postmarked by the United States Postal Service or received by a private courier. Envelopes containing per capita tax payments postmarked or stamped received after May 21st shall be retained by the Division Adjutant as proof of non-enumeration at the Division Convention.

SECTION 6.

Camps will not be allowed representation at the Division Convention for members whose per capita tax has not been paid to the Division Adjutant in full as required.

SECTION 7.

Real Sons of Confederate Veterans shall be exempt from paying General, Division, or Camp dues.

SECTION 8.

Within 10 days after receipt by the Division Adjutant, Division Life Membership fees shall be deposited in a financial institution and shall be held in a permanent interest bearing account separate from all other Division funds. Under no circumstances shall the principal in this account be removed. Interest paid on the principal shall be removed and deposited in the Division's general fund. Within the same ten day period, the Division Adjutant shall supply the compatriot with a Life Membership badge as prescribed in Article XII of this Constitution, register the compatriot as a life member, and notify the following as to the life member status of the compatriot: (a) The applicant; (b) The adjutant of the Camp which carries the life member on its roster; (c) Principal offices of the Texas Division, as defined in Article II, Section 2 of this Constitution. A file shall be maintained at the principal offices of the Division which contains notifications to compatriots identifying them as Division life members and otherwise identifies Division Life members. In addition, the Division Adjutant shall maintain a roster of all life members in the Division and the Adjutant of each Camp in the Texas Division shall maintain a roster of all Division life members belonging to that Camp.

ARTICLE XII - BADGES

The Life Membership Badge of the Texas Division shall be a disc five-eighths of an inch in diameter, the center to contain a white, five-pointed star to represent the Lone Star State of Texas. The star shall be enameled in white and surrounded by blue, reminiscent of the Bonnie Blue flag introduced and carried into battle by Texas Confederate soldiers. A white border around the disc shall contain the words LIFE MEMBER TEXAS DIVISION SCV, and letters shall

be metal and gold in color, with narrow gold colored metal rim around the perimeter.

ARTICLE XIII - PROHIBITIONS

SECTION 1.

No discussion of political or religious subjects, nor political action endorsing aspirants for political office, shall be permitted in any organization of the Texas Division Sons of Confederate Veterans.

SECTION 2.

No debts shall be contracted for the Texas Division, except with the approval of the Division Executive Council or the Division Commander, during the interim between meetings of said Council.

SECTION 3.

The use of the seal, badges, or name of Texas Division or the Confederation for unauthorized purposes and the giving of its badge to persons unauthorized to wear them are emphatically prohibited.

SECTION 4.

No one can be elected or appointed an officer of the Texas Division unless he is a member in good standing of one of its Camps.

SECTION 5.

If at any time, this Constitution or provisions thereof are found to be in conflict with the Constitution of the General Organization, the Constitution of the General Organization takes precedence regarding that conflict.

ARTICLE - XIV - COMMITTEES

SECTION 1.

Committees may be appointed by the Division Commander when a necessity arises, and they shall be appointed by him when so ordered by the Division Convention. The Division Commander shall be ex-officio member of all Division committees.

SECTION 2.

All committees shall meet when called by their chairman. Committees shall make written reports and recommendations to the Division Commander as soon as they have performed the duties assigned them.

ARTICLE XV - DELEGATES

SECTION 1.

Representation of the various Camps at the Division Convention shall be by delegates as follows: One delegate for every ten (10) active members with one additional delegate for a fraction of five or more, providing that every Camp in good standing shall be entitled to at least two delegates. All delegates shall have credentials signed by the Camp Commander and Camp Adjutant. Only delegates who are present may vote. Only delegates may vote.

ARTICLE XVI - OFFICIAL LADIES

SECTION 1.

The Division Commander may appoint the following ladies to represent the Division for Division Conventions and for such other occasions as he may deem advisable: Division Matron of Honor, Division Chaperon, Division Sponsor, and three Division Maids of Honor, and he may make additional appointments not to exceed six ladies who reside in the Brigade where the Division Convention is held.

SECTION 2.

Brigade and Camp Commanders may appoint only the following ladies to represent their Brigades or Camps, respectively, for such occasions or events as they may deem wise: Matron of Honor, Chaperon, Sponsor, and three Maids of Honor, and they may make additional appointments not to exceed six ladies who reside in the area where the occasion or event is held.

ARTICLE XVII - DISSOLUTION

Article XVII – Dissolution

SECTION 1.

In the event that a camp of the Texas Division, for whatever reason, determines that it is necessary to dissolve the camp officers will perform the following steps:

- a. The Camp Commander will notify the Division Commander and the Commander-in-Chief of the need for a meeting to dissolve the camp.
- b. The Camp Adjutant and/or the Camp Commander will contact every compatriot of the camp, via postal mail, informing them of the agenda, time and place of the dissolution meeting. The contact letter must contain a transfer form and a list of the nearest SCV camp(s) to the dissolving camp in case the compatriot wishes to transfer to another camp. Additionally, the letter will include specific and detailed transfer instructions that will include contact information for both the brigade and division adjutants who will assist the compatriot in transferring to a new camp.
- c. At the time and date of the dissolution meeting, the camp must achieve a quorum in order to continue with the dissolution process. Verification of the quorum must be submitted to the Texas Division Adjutant in writing by the Camp Commander. The letter should detail the names of all compatriots in the camp and the names of those making up the quorum. Failure to achieve a quorum requires the dissolution process to begin anew.
- d. If a quorum is achieved, the camp is free to vote the issue of dissolution.
- e. If the camp votes to dissolve, the camp adjutant will immediately prepare and forward a complete list of all camp members listed on the rolls of the camp indicating the compatriots that wish to remain in the SCV. The list will include the name, address, phone number and email (if available) for every member of the camp. The Camp Adjutant will forward to the Division Adjutant and the Adjutant-in-Chief a complete and detailed list of all assets belonging to camp. The list should include, at a minimum, the amount of funds in the bank account(s) of the camp after all legal debts of the camp are paid. No new debts following the vote to dissolve the camp may be made by the leadership or any member of the camp. These debts may include the cost of mailing the notification letters to the compatriots of the camp as required in paragraph b. of this Section. Other assets include all equipage bought under the tax-exempt benefit provided to the camp as part of its charter with the Sons of Confederate Veterans and, thereby, owned by the Sons of Confederate Veterans upon the dissolution of the Camp.
- f. If there remains seven (7) members of the camp that do not wish for the camp to be dissolved, even following a vote by the majority of the camp members to dissolve, the camp charter will remain in tact to allow

these seven compatriots the opportunity to keep the camp from dissolving. In this event, all of the official financial and historical records, of the camp must be given to one of the seven remaining compatriots for safe-keeping. Additionally, coordination must be made between the current Camp Adjutant and the Safe-Guarding Compatriot for access to all bank accounts currently controlled by the Camp Adjutant. This should be done within one (1) work week following the decision by the other compatriots of the camp to leave the SCV. The name and contact information for the 'Safe-Guarding' Compatriot will be submitted to the Division Adjutant by the current Camp Adjutant before leaving his post.

- g. If there are not seven (7) compatriots willing to insure the survival of the camp, then the final step will be the return of the Camp Charter to IHQ by the current Camp Commander and the surrender of all official camp historical and financial records to the Executive Director of the Sons of Confederate Veterans from which all camps receive their authority to operate. This must be accomplished within one (1) work week following the vote to dissolve the camp.

SECTION 2.

In the event that the Charter of the Texas Division expires or the Division is otherwise dissolved, the Division Executive Council shall determine the assets and liquidate the liabilities of the Division. Upon such dissolution, determination, and liquidation, the Executive Council shall dispose of all remaining assets of the Texas Division in such a manner as to allow for the reorganization of the Division, or to the General Organization of the Sons of Confederate Veterans.

ARTICLE XVIII - AMENDMENTS

This Constitution may be amended at any Division Convention by vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the authorized representation thereat, provided that the proposed amendments are sent to each Camp of the Texas Division in good standing at least thirty (30) days prior to the Division Convention. Amended at the Texas Division Convention 3 June 2006.

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