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## Opinion #1

In response to a request from the Commander-in-Chief for an opinion regarding the attendance of members of the Allied Orders, who had been suspended or discharged from one Order but remained in good standing with another, at Meetings and Encampments of the SUVCW; the following is provided:

## Research:

- 1. The following sections of the Charter, Constitution, and Regulations of the SUVCW were reviewed:
  - a. Chapter I Article IV Section 3, Chapter II Article III Section 3, and Chapter III Article III Section 6 of the Charter.

Findings: The language found in all three of the cited sections of the Constitution and Regulations was generic in nature and lacked any specific direction answering the questions posed by the Commander-in Chief. As the C&R lacked clarity on the issue of attendance by a member of an allied Order who was suspended from one Order but remained in good standing in another further clarification was warranted.

Opinion: It is recommended that the Commander-in-Chief using his authority as granted by the Charter, Constitution, and regulations take action to further delineate and define the regulations regarding the attendance of members of the Allied Order who are under suspension or discharge from one or more Allied Orders but remains in good standing within another.