

REPORT  
of the NATIONAL COUNSELOR  
to the 121st Annual Encampment, SUVCW.

Brothers:

I was called upon to render two official opinions in the past year.

I. ASSOCIATES. The number of associates in any Camp shall not exceed one-third of the total. No Encampment may operate at any level (Camp, Department or National) if the number of associates present is greater than 49% of the total attendance. Associates may not hold any of the following offices: Commander in Chief, Senior Vice Commander in Chief, Junior Vice Commander in Chief, National Secretary, National Treasurer or Commanding Officer of the Sons of Veterans Reserve. Associates may not be counted toward the required number of members to establish a new Camp. The names of associates may not appear on the Camp charter nor may associates be designated as charter members of the Camp. Associates otherwise enjoy all the rights, privileges and responsibilities of membership.

II. REGIONAL ASSOCIATIONS - BADGES. Regional Associations may authorize a membership badge, however, that badge may not use the protected symbols of our Order, per the General Order of Commander in Chief Kreiser. Those badges may not be worn at any SUVCW event. The only exception is that such regional associations may authorize a past regional commander badge at its discretion and its own expense. This badge may not use the protected symbols of our Order, but may be worn at SUVCW events.

Respectfully submitted in fraternity, charity and loyalty,

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