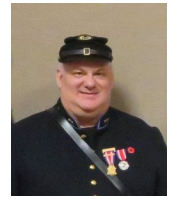




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Brothers,

This is my letter of intention to run for National Secretary of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War at the 2025 National Encampment in Houston, Texas.

After a careful review of the C&R and job description, I'm confident performing the National Secretary duties at National Encampments and Council of Administration meetings, as well as the day-to-day communication, voting, and record keeping responsibilities. I have performed similar duties with other organizations.

Beyond the administrative duties, the National Secretary is a voting member of the Council of Administration tasked to manage the SUVCW between National Encampments. My voting would be influenced by three visions:

First, we should focus on local, camp-level priorities. The SUVCW defines itself as a bottom-up structure. I envision our National Order focused on being a service provider and resource pool for our camps.

Second, we should expand our outreach. We are the premier hereditary organization for Union Civil War descendants, yet we are not as well-established as our peers. I envision partnering with hereditary and veteran organizations to reach into communities and schools as a path for both recognition and recruitment.

Third, we should operate seamlessly. Much of my professional career involved process improvement to reduce cost and improve quality. I envision less paper, more online forms, and reducing redundant reporting requirements.

I would greatly appreciate your support and vote for National Secretary. Thanks.

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,

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