

Marine Corps League Department of South Carolina

23 March 2023

To: Department of South Carolina Judge Advocate Claude Davis III

From: Helen Breen, Commandant, Department of SC

Re: Proposed Bylaw Amendment

In accordance with Article Eight, Miscellaneous, Section 800, Amendments, of the Department of South Carolina Bylaws, I respectfully propose the following amendment to Article Three, Section 310: Duties – Staff Officers

Current Bylaw:

Section 310 Duties – Board Members As currently published

Proposed Amendment:

Section 310: Duties – Board Members

ADDITION

(h) **DISTRICT VICE COMMANDANTS** shall:

- (1) be appointed by the Department Commandant, with the advice and consent of the Department Board of Trustees
- (2) be held accountable to the Department Board of Trustees for the care and proper administration of their respective District; arrange for, convene, and supervise not less than one (1) District Meeting each year for the purpose of discussing District challenges, planning, and executing means and methods of strengthening and increasing the effectiveness of the District;
- (3) make every continuing effort to establish new Detachments within their District.
- (4) The operations of the District Vice Commandants shall be overseen by the Department Senior Vice Commandant.

Rationale:

The addition of District Vice Commandants gives the various regions of the State another POC familiar with their part of the state to promote the League in their specific Division, give the local Commandants another POC to discuss challenges with and a more local POC when issues arise that they could use an "on-hand" presence for. These District Vice Commandants can also be an "ear to the ground" to keep the Board of Trustees abreast of potential issues that need to be addressed above the District level.

Respectfully Submitted, Helen Breen hbreen.mcl@gmail.com