



SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN

OFFICE OF DEPARTMENT COMMANDER

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DEPARTMENT ORDER NO.: 14
SERIES: 2023-2024

DATE: 29, January 2024

RE: NOMINATING COMMITTEE AND LETTERS OF INTENTION

Background:

BYLAWS ARTICLE IX, Section 12. The Nominating Committee shall consist of five Brothers who are NOT currently elected to an office of the Department. A Nominating Committee Chair shall be appointed by the Department Commander and shall not vote except when there is a tie vote of the Nominating Committee for any given candidate. There shall not be more than one Brother from one Camp within the Department on the Nominating Committee. The Committee's purpose shall be to prepare a slate of officers, listing one or more Brothers for each elected office of the Department, for the presentation at the Annual Michigan Department Encampment. A Brother(s) nominated for Department Commander must be qualified to be elected by virtue of having served as Past Camp Commander or is currently seated as a Camp Commander. A candidate nominated for any elected office other than the Department Commander shall have demonstrated his ability to responsibly and capably serve in any office to which he has been nominated. The Nominating Committee shall exercise due diligence in ascertaining via peer review or other methodologies that the candidate so selected by the Nominating Committee has demonstrated his abilities for good service and leadership.

Further, any Brother who is a member of the Nominating Committee shall, in the event a candidate who is a member of his Camp are selected for nomination, shall recuse himself for voting for that candidate.

Nominations from the floor will continue to be accepted at the Annual Michigan Department Encampment.

By the authority vested in me as Commander, Department of Michigan, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, it is hereby ordered:

1. That the following Brothers were hereby duly appointed on April 3, 2023, under Department Order No. 1, to serve on the Nominating Committee: 1.) Chair – Richard E. Danes, PCC, 2.) Dale L Aurand, PDC, 3.) Nathan Tingley, PCC, 4.) Gary Naugle, PCC.
2. Brother Gary L. Gibson, PDC, of the General Benjamin Pritchard Camp 20, is hereby appointed to serve on the Nominating Committee.
3. That any brother interested in running for an elected Department Office should submit their letter of intention, credentials and any recommendation letters to Committee Chair Richard E. Danes at redanes@aol.com.

4. The deadline to submit a letter of intention is Friday, March 29, 2024. However, the committee would appreciate this communication at the earliest convenient date. Nominations from the floor will be accepted at the Department Encampment scheduled for April 27, 2024.

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

Gary L. Swain

Gary L. Swain, PCC
Commander, Department of Michigan
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ATTEST:

/s/

Richard Denney, PCC
Secretary, Department of Michigan
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War