

# HEADQUARTERS OF THE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER

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DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK



## SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

Honoring the memory of the Grand Army of the Republic &  
The Men from New York who saved the Union from 1861 to 1865  
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By the authority vested in me as the Commander of the Department of New York, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, I am requesting the revocation of the charter of the Colonel Marshall Lefferts Camp # 7 New York City, New York. Pursuant to Article VI, section 2 of the National Constitution, the Commander in Chief upon the recommendation of the Department Commander shall have the power to revoke the Charter of any camp which does not conform to the Constitution and Regulations of this order.

Pursuant to National Regulation, Chapter 1, Article 1, section 13 a camp one year or more in arrears in the payment of per ca-pita dues and failing or neglecting to forward reports, may be disbanded and the Charter thereof revoked.

The Colonel Marshall Lefferts Camp # 7 New York City, New York has failed to pay per ca-pita dues and has failed to forward reports for one year now.

National Regulation, Chapter 1, Article 1, Section 5 states in the case of the surrender or forfeiture of a charter, all the camp property and assets shall be turned over to the National Commander In Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War via the Department Commander of the affected Camp acting as his duly authorized representative to collect and hold all such property in trust for the National Organization, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, an organization exempt from taxes under section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code. Any transfer or disposal of any of its property by a camp in arrears for its per ca-pita dues shall be fraudulent and void, any such transfer or disposal of Camp property in contemplation of

disbandment or surrender of its Charter shall also be fraudulent and void. All property of the camp shall be held by it as a charitable trust that is held and used for the purpose for which the Order exists, and any such transfer or disposal within six months of disbandment or surrender of the Camp Charter without the consent of the Department shall be conclusively presumed to be in contemplation of such disbandment or surrender. No camp shall divide its property among its brothers.

**So ordered on this 6<sup>th</sup> of May 2024**

**In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,**

**Edward P. O'Brien,**

**Commander of the Department**

**of New York, SUVCW**

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Edward P. O'Brien". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name.