

Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States Department of North Carolina

General Order #1

June 25, 2024

1. At the 94th Annual State Convention of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, Department of North Carolina held on June 9, 2024, I, Annie Cummings, was duly elected and installed as State Commander in accordance with Article V, Section 517 of the National By-Laws, do hereby assume command.
2. The following officers have been duly elected, appointed, and installed by the 94th Convention and will be obeyed accordingly.
3. All previous appointments are hereby declared vacant as of June 9, 2024, except those set forth in the Department By-Laws.

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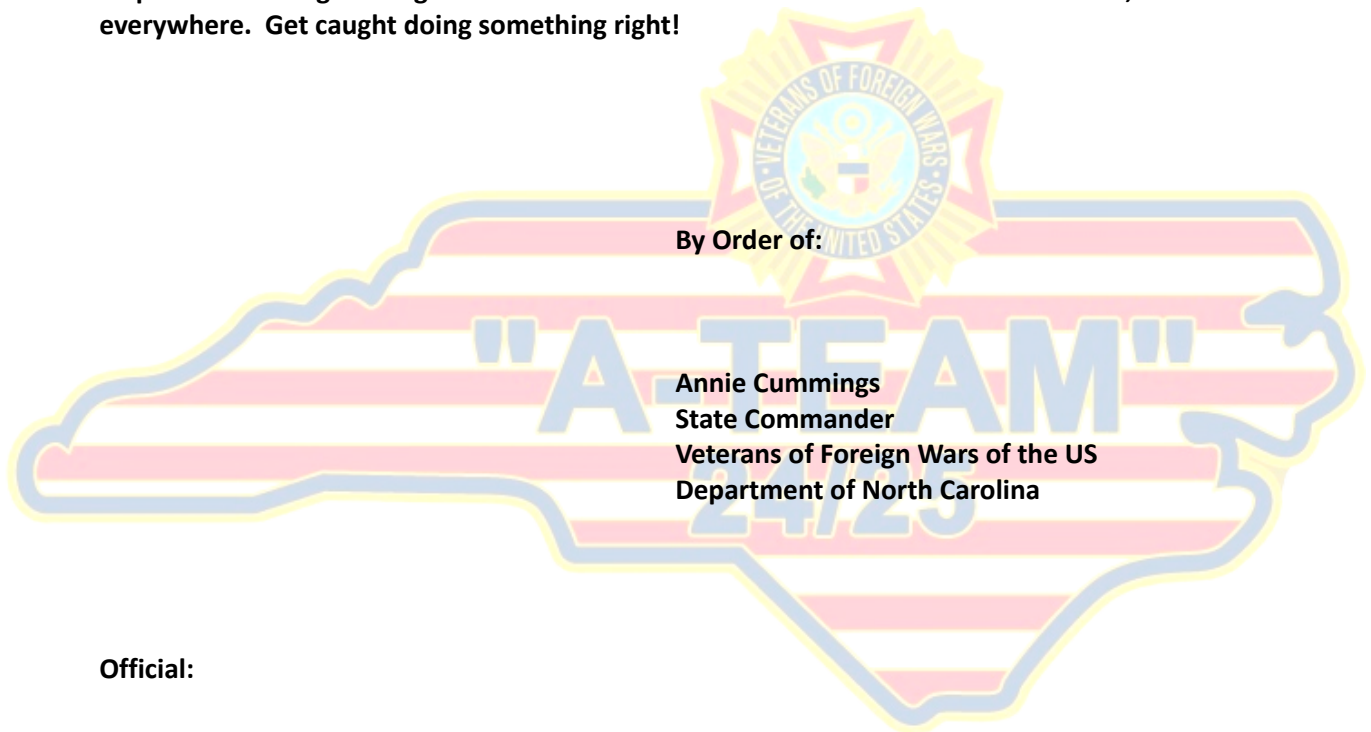
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4. Official business of this organization is conducted through the Department e-mail system. All Post and District Commanders, Adjutants and Quartermasters, all Department Line Officers, and all Department Committee Chairs are hereby directed to access your Department account and use it either directly or by forwarding it to a personal account when possible. In any event, department emails will only be sent to department accounts. Please contact the Department Adjutant if you have questions or need assistance. Any post or district wanting more than one email account, may request and pay \$12 per year per additional email.
5. The VFW National Convention will be held from 27 July to 1 August, 2024 in Louisville, Kentucky. The convention will as of this time be a full-blown normal type of National Convention. Post delegate fees are due and payable prior to the start of the convention. Posts failing to submit delegate fees prior to 15 July will be suspended pending payment.
6. Each District Commander will be responsible to conduct schools of instruction, in the amount and locations needed for their respective districts, prior to August 31, 2024. District Commanders may request additional support from the Department, and will be required to turn in attendance sheets, by post of all elected and appointed officers in attendance. Post Commanders are required to attend every District Meeting, in accordance with Department By-Laws.

7. District Commanders/Inspectors must complete post inspections, first canteen inspections, and bingo inspections no later than 30 September 2024. Inspections may begin no sooner than 1 July 2024. Post with canteens 2nd inspection should be completed not later than January 31, 2025.
8. Article II, Sec. 213 and Article IV, Sec. 413 of the National Bylaws, Arrearages, Deficiencies, and Omissions will be strictly adhered to.
9. Quartermasters at Post and District level must ensure that required bond applications are submitted prior to 31 August 2024. Posts and/or Districts failing to meet the 31 August deadline will be suspended until the bond is paid. The suspension will be lifted upon receipt of payment. All bond fees will remain the same as the previous year.
10. The Fall Council of Administration meeting will be held at the Embassy Suites in Greensboro, NC. A link will be posted in advance, to secure reservations at the group rate. Dates for the C of A are 4-6 October, 2024. Only pre-authorized personnel will be scheduled for one additional night on 3 October, at the department's expense. Those persons will be notified directly.
11. All Posts in the Department are expected to participate in State and National programs, i.e. Voice of Democracy, Patriots Pen, Teacher of the Year, Community Service, Public Servant (Law Enforcement, Firefighter, EMS), VMS (as increased by National to \$125 for this year), Buddy Poppies, Unmet Needs and the Department Buddy Poppy King and Queen programs, to the best of their abilities.
12. The Dashboard on vfw.org is used to track post and district All American status throughout the year. The dashboard can be viewed by anyone logging into vfw.org but only those adjutants reported on a post or district election report have access to make entries on the Dashboard. Adjutants must have a registered vfw.org account. Commanders at all levels should take this requirement into consideration when appointing adjutants.
13. The State Dashboard on VFWNC.com is used to track Post and Districts All-State requirements throughout the year and can be viewed by all. Adjutants must sign into the State website to enter information. Questions pertaining to entries or problems will be addressed to the Department Adjutant.
14. The Department Fundraisers for 2024-2025 will consist of one raffle and a series of legally permitted Texas Hold 'em tournaments (number to be determined). Each post will be required to sell 100 tickets at a donation amount of \$10 each. A list of all cash prizes will be published with the raffle rules, and every winning ticket will award the selling post an amount equal to half as much as the winner receives. For example, a \$5000 winning ticket would also pay out to the selling post, a prize of \$2500 and a \$100 winning ticket will pay out \$50 to the selling post. Number of tickets and prizes will be published separately. Texas Hold 'Em tournaments are to be held on the first come first serve, as the company can service, and all net game proceeds after expenses and prizes will be turned over to the Department. The host posts will retain all profits from any food/beverage sales, post merchandise or other such donations solicited and collected during their event. Only posts that have an ALE license or who will qualify for and obtain a one day event permit from ALE, may have a tournament, provided they have ample space, tables, etc. for the event. (minimum of 10 tables and 9 chairs per table. Flyer templates and tickets will be provided, and the post will be responsible for participating in the advertising and advance tickets sales. One final Table of Champions card tournament will be held at Post 5352 prior to the June Convention.
15. Send any information corrections to the Department Adjutant at adj@vfwnc.com.

16. All meeting attire is defined as follows:

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| ○ Formal: | Suit / Tie or Optional Tuxedo | Suit / or Formal Gown |
| ○ Business Council: | Suit / Tie | Suit/ or Business style dress |
| ○ Business Attendees: | Suit / Tie or Polo | Suit / Business style dress / or Polo |
| ○ Business Casual: | VFW Polo or collared shirt
Dockers or khakis | VFW Polo or blouse
Dockers or khakis or similar skirt |
- **Resort Casual:** Button or collared shirt / shorts or slacks
Sandals or flip flops Sun dress , capris, dress shorts
Skorts, sandals or flip flops
 - **Theme:** As prescribed by the event planners
 - **VFW official caps only for meetings, other head headgear for fun events is acceptable.**
 - **Remember, we are in public as a group representing some of our nations finest and bravest individuals, and we should always dress and act accordingly. Please do not embarrass the organization with ripped up clothing, overly provocative or revealing clothing, or displays of similar behavior. Have fun but be respectful to our great organization and to the state of North Carolina. Remember, there are cameras everywhere. Get caught doing something right!**



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