

**STATE HEADQUARTERS  
DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA  
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES**

**General Orders No. 1 - 2009-2010 Series**

1. Having been duly elected and installed as Commander of the Department of California, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, I, Jack Turner, do hereby assume command. All previous appointments under prior command have expired and are Null and Void.
2. The following State Officers have been properly elected and installed and will be shown the proper courtesies.

State Commander	Jack Turner	1774
Sr. Vice Commander	Denis Wells	8327
Jr. Vice Commander	Bobby Price	2111
Quartermaster	James R. Rowoldt	10040
Judge Advocate	Walter Swanson	2805
Surgeon	Doug Carrington	2275
Chaplain	Ralph Duncan	2122
Jr. Past State Commander	J. Nichols Guest	2805
National Rep., District G	John P. Wolfe, PSC	4084
District No.1	Lawrence Brown	2111
District No.2	Franklin Tucker	9934
District No.3	Thomas Pugliese	5551
District No.4	Howard Hagen	2967
District No.5	John Rodriguez	1013
District No.6	John Melendrez	12034
District No.7	Lenny Wooles	2805
District No.8	Michael Stadnick, Jr.	2521
District No.9	James Lopez	10859
District No.10	Michael Murphy	4084
District No.11	Ralph Guerra	8900
District No.12	Danny Stevens	811
District No.13	Delbert Scoggins	9946
District No.14	Eugene Cota	6298
District No.16	Herbert Hillaker	3919
District No.17	Elden Monday	85
District No.18	William Pickler	948
District No.19	Sheldon Merchant	2381
District No.20	Ronald Harshman	5689
District No.21	Hollis McCoy	2481
District No.22	Lee Quarcelino	2041
District No.23	Walt Pynn	9223
District No.24	John Ince	6307
District No.25	Richard Loechner	1525

3. The following appointments for 2009-2010 are hereby announced:

Adjutant	James R. Rowoldt	10040
Assistant Adjutant	Dean Lee	8358
Chief of Staff	Edward McCoy	2275
Inspector	Alex Brown	1512
Parliamentarian	Buford Maples	5985
Historian	Albert Butler	1512
Special State Aide-de-Camp	Benjamin Berroteran	4696
Special State Aide-de-Camp	Everado Carrillo	7420
Sergeant-at-Arms, Captain	Keith MacDonald	2275
Asst. Sergeant at Arms	Paul Gonzalez	2967
Asst. Sergeant at Arms	George Smith	2122
Asst. Sergeant-at-Arms	John Campeau	2805
Asst. Sergeant-at-Arms	Tom Karas	6435
Asst. Sergeant-at-Arms	Gerry Dunker	7792
Asst. Sergeant-at-Arms	Jennifer Finley	3783
State Color Guard, Captain	Santaigo Orozco	7420
State Color Guard	Armando Mirelez	7420
State Color Guard	Robert Holland	7420
State Color Guard	Richard Neitzelyt	2111
State Color Guard	Richard Crouch	2111
Service Committee Chairman	Art Napiwocki	1614
2010 Convention Chairman	David Norris, PSC	52
Board of Trustees - 1 Year - Chairman	Paul Goins	3552
Board of Trustees - 2 Year	Mike Maynor	52
Board of Trustees - 3 Year	Lawrence Connolly	2542
Board of Trustees - 4 Year	James Rosa	1622
Board of Trustees - 5 Year	Jose Velez	5845
Buddy Poppy	Harold Sams	10125
Citizenship Education	Ed Ford	7635
Community Service	Charles Anfuso	2111
Education and Training	Steven Jacobs, PSC	9415
Farm & Home/Cemeteries/Employment	Terence Reeder	10110
Homeless Veterans	William Kelly	5985
Image Enhancement Committee	Waldo "Joe" Brunner	2082
Law Enforcement/Firefighter/EMT	William Pollard	3552
Legislative/ PAC	William Manes	9934
Loyalty Day/Veterans Day/Memorial Day	Art Harris, PSC	5179
Membership	Walter Hamilton	7420
Military Services	Gerry Blake	2122
VFW Motorcycle Club of California	Albert Butler	1512
National Home	Robert Magner	888
Patriots Pen	Doug Rockwell	2323

POW/MIA	Larry Stroud	12023
Public Relations/Publications	James R. Rowoldt	10040
ROTC/JROTC/Sons of the VFW	Joseph DeShields	5384
Safety & Recognition	Terry Vernon	3199
Scouting Programs	Joseph Steinberg	2805
Teacher Award	Richard Fenn	7243
VAVS/Hospital/Home Chairman	Doug Carrington	2275
Veterans Services Chairman	Claude Bennett	2111
Voice of Democracy	Al Griffith	4647
Wheelchair/Golden Age Games	Joe Velasquez	5059
Women's Veterans Committee	Billie Hovey	10125
Youth Activities	Robert McMahon	8151

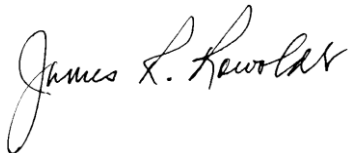
4. The official Inspection Program for the Department of California for the 2009-2010 Administrative year begins on September 1, 2009. Inspection forms have been forwarded to the District/Deputy Inspectors for the entire year. The Assistant State Inspector and/or Deputy Inspector will personally sign the Post ledger at the time he performs a post inspection. A certification as follows will be written in the ledger: The Post inspected on\_\_\_\_\_.”
5. Post Audits. The June 30, 2009 Audit Report is now due on Trustee’s Audit forms. The (original) signed copy is mailed to Department Headquarters **and if necessary or requested a copy is mailed to the District Inspector for referral to the Department Inspector.**
6. Post and District Commanders are reminded that the Quartermaster Bonds for those bonded through the Department of California will expire on August 31, 2009. Bond applications for the period of September 1, 2009 to August 31, 2010, will be mailed to all Commanders of record. It is the personal responsibility of Commanders, on all levels, to see that their Quartermasters are properly bonded in the amounts as set forth and provided in the National By-Laws. Fees for Quartermaster Bonds are: \$4.00 per \$1,000 for the first \$ 3,000 of coverage desired with a minimum of \$3,000 coverage and \$3.00 per \$1,000 for all amounts above \$3,000. Bonds are issued in increments of \$1,000. Canteen Manager/Additional signer bonds are also available. Quartermasters Bond applications and Bar/Bingo Manager applications and fee schedules will be mailed to each Post. Submit application and premium to Department Quartermaster.
7. Each District Commander will act as personal representative of the State Commander in his District to provide liaison between Post and the Department of California.
8. Post Commanders will take action deemed necessary to eliminate the drinking of alcoholic beverages in the meeting room or nearby hallways while duly constituted meetings of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Posts are in session. Reported violations of this order will be severely dealt with under the punitive provisions of the VFW National By-Laws. This practice by some Posts not only violates the ritual but also discredits the honored memory of our fallen comrades and is contrary to moral ethics based upon long and distinguished records of this organization. District Commanders are hereby charged with the

responsibility of enforcement of this order and the duty of reporting violations thereof to the State Commander.

9. Posts or Districts requesting the State Commander or a Department Officer to attend ceremonies or other occasions, will make such requests in writing to Department Headquarters in sufficient time so that a proper presentation can be made by the visiting officer. The requests should give information as to the type of event, what is expected of the visiting officer; type of dress, time, and other pertinent information, and should be sent to Department Headquarters not less than (30) thirty days in advance of the event.
10. Posts in violation of Section 214 of the By-Laws and Manual of Procedure (solicitation of funds) are subject to suspension.
11. Members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars or Ladies Auxiliary within California shall not make any statement to the news media concerning pending VFW sponsored legislation on a state or national level, or any relevant to VFW policies of a state or national nature without first obtaining permission from Department Headquarters.
12. Members desiring to solicit funds through the sale of pins or other merchandise at Council meetings or Convention shall first receive permission from the Council of Administration.
13. The attention of District and Post Commanders is directed to Section 103, Manual of Procedure, which prescribes the manner in which applications for membership will be handled. Applications for membership of new, reinstating or transfer members must be voted on by the members present at a regular Post meeting. No Post, District, Department or National Officer, or any other member, has the authority to reject the application card of a person who is eligible for membership.
14. The attention of District and Post Commanders is directed to Section 709, By-Laws, which prescribe the manner in which Districts and Posts shall purchase, sell or otherwise transfer title or any interest in any real estate. Written notice shall be provided to every member of said unit and the Department Commander at least ten (10) days prior to a regular or special meeting at which a proposal is to be considered.

BY COMMAND OF  
JACK TURNER  
STATE COMMANDER

OFFICIAL:



James R. Rowoldt  
State Adjutant/Quartermaster