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From: Judge Advocate
To   Members of the Department of North Carolina

Subj: 2024 Department of North Carolina Bylaws (DBL)

The 2023 Department of North Carolina Bylaws are now available on the Department website.

During the Department of North Carolina 2023 Convention the membership approved changes to the 2022 DBL that included required revisions from the National Judge Advocate review of those 2022 bylaws that were in conflict with the National Bylaws and National Administrative Procedures (NBL/NAP). Those required revisions are highlighted within the 2024 DBL in Blue and those changes made at the DoNC 2023 Convention are highlighted in "Green". Additionally, items in the 2024 DBL annotated by "(NRev 1-23)" indicates changes of a clerical nature such as updated paragraph references to the NBL/NAP were approved in the 2022 DBL NJA review and were permitted without membership approval being required.

For Detachment Commandants, Judge Advocates and Bylaws Committees, these changes should be compared to your current bylaws to see if they impact you and will necessitate a revision thereto. I am working to update the DoNC Sample Bylaws to reflect those changes as well as plan to annually publish the effect of any changes to NBL, NAP and NBL that will impact the detachments and members. As soon as the Sample Bylaws are finalized, you will be notified and a cross-refence document showing the applicable DBL and/or NBL/NAP revision and year of occurrence will be posted for detachment use. This will hopefully provide a quick reference for required changes to your bylaws.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me by phone or email as listed above.

Respectfully and Semper Fidelis,

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