



# Marine Corps League Department of North Carolina



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Subject: Proposed DoNC Bylaws Change Article Six Section 650 Dual Membership

In accordance with Article Eight, Section 800, of Department Bylaws (DBL) Amendments, I am submitting the following change for consideration at the 2023 Department of North Carolina Convention.

### **CURRENT LANGUAGE**

**SECTION 650 - DUAL MEMBERSHIP** - (Membership in more than one Detachment by the same individual) When a member of the Marine Corps League becomes a member in good standing in more than one Detachment, such membership in the subsequent Detachment shall be counted for voting strength at Department and National Conventions only as an associate member. Such member shall be a regular voting member in the Detachment of such member's greatest tenure unless he/she makes a signed written request for transfer of voting rights in triplicate to the receiving Detachment; which upon acceptance shall forward the copies of the transfer of voting rights to National Headquarters via the Department Adjutant/Paymaster. The transfer form, Enclosure Seven, National Administrative Procedures, will be utilized for the purpose of transfer of voting rights to another Detachment. **(CH 5-18)**

### **PROPOSED LANGUAGE (New or Revised text in RED)**

**SECTION 650 - DUAL MEMBERSHIP** - (Membership in more than one Detachment by the same individual). When a member of the Marine Corps League becomes a **regular** member in good standing in more than one detachment, such membership in the subsequent detachments shall be counted for voting strength at department and national conventions only as an associate member. Such **regular** member shall be a regular voting member in the detachment of such member's greatest tenure unless he/she makes a signed written request for transfer of voting rights in triplicate to the receiving detachment, which upon acceptance shall forward the copies of the transfer of voting rights to National Headquarters via the jurisdictional Department Paymaster or Adjutant/Paymaster if a department exists. The Transfer Form, NAP Enclosure Seven, will be utilized for the purpose of transfer of voting rights to another detachment. **A regular member with Dual Membership in more than one Detachment will have all the rights and privileges within each Detachment. This includes that they have full voting rights within each Detachment to vote on any issue within each individual Detachment, to include the ability to hold an elected or appointed office in each Detachment.**

**RATIONALE:** This change was also approved at the 2021 National Convention to NAP Section 7060 and the changes shown above specify for a Regular Dual member shall have all the rights and privileges within each Detachment. This includes that they have full voting rights within each Detachment to vote on any issue within each individual Detachment, to include the ability



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to hold an elected or appointed office in each Detachment. This should not require membership approval.

Respectfully Submitted,

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