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CANDIDATE FOR DEPARTMENT OF OHIO JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER

Dear SUVCW Brothers,

I am a candidate to serve Ohio camps as Department Junior Vice Commander. I offer the position knowledge and experience gained during 40+ years meeting public administration, organizational development, and interpersonal communication challenges and opportunities.

Would very much appreciate receiving your support and vote during the June 12 Department Encampment elections.

I am commander of Sherman Camp #93 in Dayton and editor of *The Coffee Cooler* camp newsletter. Also am helping orchestrate Civil War Sesquicentennial activities in Dayton and Montgomery County as the Sherman Camp CW 150 project officer. I participated on behalf of my camp during the Department Mid-Winter meeting and will be a delegate at the Department Encampment.

I'm a SUVCW Memorial University Officer Training Course graduate. Have a B.A. in English literature and history, a M.S. in systems management, and a master's degree in public administration.

Born and raised in Ohio, I proudly served 26 years in the U.S. Air Force in the United States and overseas. Honors received include the Aviation/Space Writers Association's Best Public Affairs Officer in the Department of Defense Award, Public Relations Society of America Polaris Awards for crisis communication and community relations, and the Ohio Postal History Society's Writers Award. My book reviews and articles have been published, or accepted for publication, by magazines including *Civil War Historian*, *Military Collector & Historian*, and *Aerospace Historian*. I am an active member of the Company of Military Historians, Civil War Preservation Trust, Ohio Historical Society, Dayton History, Ohio Postal History Society, Gettysburg Magazine CW Round Table, and Ohio Valley Civil War Assn.

Before retiring and returning to Ohio in 2008, I served as emergency preparedness program manager for the City of Corona, Calif. and later for the University of California-Riverside. I taught disaster preparedness courses at both UC-Riverside and Mount San Jacinto College. In addition, I was commander and newsletter editor for the 116th Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry Co. D Assn., a 55-member Civil War living history and reenacting association that I helped to organize. Was organizing a startup SUVCW camp in Riverside, Calif. when my wife of 42 years and I decided to move back to Ohio to be closer to family. We both have Ohio Civil War ancestors who fought to preserve the Union 1861-65.

If you have questions, please contact me. I look forward to meeting you at the June Encampment and hope you will help elect me to serve the SUVCW Ohio Department, and all camps, as Junior Vice Commander.

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,

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