

SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS
ARKANSAS DIVISION

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE ARKANSAS DIVISION

Proposed Constitutional Amendment #2011-1 (Article III, Section 1.b.)

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To increase the number of Brigades in the Arkansas Division from two (2) to four (4) and establish boundaries for each Brigade with the Arkansas Division.

The ARKANSAS DIVISION continues to experience growth in the number of chartered camps and there is a need for additional Brigades with Brigade Commanders to provide support and leadership for the camps; promote unity and harmony among the camps; furnish resources from outside the camp(s); and serve as liaison between the ARKANSAS DIVISION and camps. In view of this need, this amendment offers the creation of two additional Brigades and renames the existing Brigades.

ARTICLE III. - ORGANIZATION

SECTION 1. The constituted bodies of the ARKANSAS DIVISION shall be as follows:

- a. Organizations of at least seven (7) dues paid members, known as camps; each camp shall have a name and be assigned by General Headquarters a number upon admittance.
- b. Organizations of at least two dues paid camps known as brigades. The ~~two (2)~~ *four (4)* brigades shall be known as: the ~~North~~ *Northeast* Arkansas Brigade, *Northwest* Arkansas Brigade, *Central* Arkansas Brigade and ~~South~~ *Southern* Arkansas Brigade. *Each Brigade will have a Brigade Commander.*

~~The North Arkansas Brigade shall consist of the following counties:-~~

~~Baxter, Benton, Boone, Carroll, Clay, Cleburne, Conway, Craighead, Crawford, Crittenden, Cross, Faulkner, Franklin, Fulton, Green, Independence, Izard, Jackson, Lawrence, Logan, Madison, Marion, Mississippi, Newton, Poinsett, Randolph, St. Francis, Scott, Searey, Sebastian, Sharp, Stone, Van Buren, Washington, White, and Woodruff.~~

- c. *The NORTHEAST ARKANSAS BRIGADE shall consist of the following counties: Fulton, Sharp, Randolph, Clay, Izard, Lawrence, Greene, Stone, Independence, Jackson, Craighead, Mississippi, Cleburne, White, Jackson, Woodruff, Poinsett, Cross, Crittenden. and St. Francis.*

*d. The NORTHWEST ARKANSAS BRIGADE shall consist of the following counties:
Benton, Carroll, Boone, Marion, Baxter, Washington, Madison, Newton, Searcy,
Crawford, Franklin, Johnson, Pope, Van Buren, Sebastian Logan. and Scott.*

~~The South Arkansas Brigade shall consist of the following counties:
Arkansas, Ashley, Bradley, Calhoun, Chicot, Clark, Cleveland, Columbia,
Dallas, Desha, Drew, Garland, Grant, Hempstead, Hot Spring, Howard,
Jefferson, Lafayette, Lee, Lincoln, Little River, Lonoke, Miller, Monroe, Montgomery, Nevada,
Ouachita, Perry, Phillips, Pike, Polk, Pope, Prairie, Pulaski,
Saline, Sevier, Union, and Yell.~~

*e. The CENTRAL ARKANSAS BRIGADE shall consist of the following counties:
Conway, Faulkner, Yell, Perry, Polk, Montgomery, Garland, Saline, Pulaski, Lonoke,
Prairie, Monroe, Lee, Phillips, Howard, Pike, Clark, Hot Spring, and Grant.*

*f. The SOUTHERN ARKANSAS BRIGADE shall consist of the following counties:
Jefferson, Arkansas, Dallas, Cleveland, Lincoln, Desha, Sevier, Little River, Hempstead, Nevada,
Ouachita, Calhoun, Bradley, Drew, Miller, Lafayette, Columbia, Union, Ashley and Chicot.*

g. Upon the adoption of this amendment, the present Brigade Commanders shall retain command of the Brigade in which they reside and the camps which previously comprised the old Brigades. Within 24 hours of the close of the Convention in which this amendment is adopted, the Division Commander shall appoint interim Assistant Commanders of the remaining newly created Brigades who shall serve subject to the authority of the existing Brigade Commanders and shall have no vote on the Executive Council. At the next Division Reunion of an even numbered year, the new Brigade Commanders shall be elected by this Constitution of the Sons of Confederate Veterans.