

Articles of Incorporation and Constitution of the New River Rifles, Inc.

Amended and Updated: May 5, 2022

Article I: Name

The official name of this organization shall be "The New River Rifles" hereinafter referred to as "The Unit or Unit."
The principal office of the unit shall be with the **Registered Agent**.

Article II: Purpose

1. This unit will participate in events both public and private with a quality and historically accurate interpretation of the American Civil War.
2. In order to educate the public about the life of the common soldier and civilian of the Civil War era.
3. A high standard of authenticity will best facilitate the unit in these demonstrations.
4. Additionally, the unit pays homage to those who lived and struggled during that era.

Article III: Membership

1. Membership in the unit shall be offered to any U.S. citizen, resident, or alien who is at least 16 years old and of good moral character and who has not belonged to any group or organization that advocates the overthrow of the U.S. Government or any State Government.
2. No member shall be admitted and voted upon if they are a convicted felon under the 1968 Gun Control Act.

Article IV: Board of Directors/Corporate Officers Duties and Powers

3. The unit shall consist of five (5) elected Board of Directors/Corporate Officers, a preceding President who shall have no authority and serve as an advisor and an Assistant Treasurer for the sole purpose of having integrity and accountability of all unit accounts who shall also have no authority other than that of an advisor and monitor. This position does not have to be a preceding Treasurer and can be appointed by the current Board of Directors/Corporate Officers.
 - A. President
 - B. Vice President
 - C. Secretary
 - D. Treasurer
 - E. Quartermaster
 - F. Preceding President-as advisor only
 - G. Assistant Treasurer-as advisor and monitor only

1. There shall be no term limits to how long a Board member may serve. Each member may serve in the same office as long as they are voted upon at the annual business meeting by a majority vote of the membership who are in good standing on a yearly basis.
2. The Board shall have the authority to waive dues or extend the deadline payments for dues at their discretion on a case-by- case basis and upon presentation of good cause by the member in question.
3. Decisions on any matters of the Board shall be by a majority vote of the Board members.

Article V: Meetings

1. The Board of Directors/Corporate Officers shall hold a minimum of two (2) corporate meetings a year and/or at any other time deemed necessary by the president.
2. Regular membership meetings shall be held at the annual business meeting and then at any field event throughout each year at the discretion of the president.
3. Special meetings will be scheduled at the discretion of the president.

Article VI: Amendments

1. To amend or change the concept of the Constitution, Rules and Regulations or the By- Laws, the following must occur:
 - A. Any motions will be presented with exact wording and in writing to the current membership who are in good standing for a vote either at the annual business meeting, a regular meeting during any field event or via email at any time by the Board of Directors/Corporate Officers. A majority favorable vote by the membership in good standing shall confirm the amendments and/or changes.

Article VII: Ratification

1. The Constitution, Rules and Regulations and the By-laws will become effective immediately upon the majority vote of the membership in good standing and shall stand until changed, amended or dissolved.

Article VIII: Dissolution

1. In the event the Unit ceases to exist for any reason, all property, real and personal, owned by the unit shall be liquidated at a public sale, wherein the membership shall be given the first opportunity to purchase the property. All money collected by the treasurer shall be paid to the Museum of the Confederacy in the name of the unit.