



JUDGE ADVOCATE'S REPORT

Bishop Higgins, Reverend Clergy, Commander Crawford, National Officers and Fellow Veterans:

I have provided legal advice this quarter on a variety of matters, including the following:

1. Advised several Posts concerning issues related to the control of and signature authority over Post budgets and checking accounts;
2. Assisting National and a Department with issues related to use by a supposedly unaffiliated Catholic War Veterans Post of an inactive Post's building and use of a Celtic Cross image substantially similar to National's trademark;
3. Advised the Commander and Executive Director concerning issues related to nomination for and required approvals of candidates for office; and
4. Advised a Post regarding apparently inconsistent language in our Constitution and Bylaws regarding the effective date of newly elected officers assuming their positions.

Respectfully submitted,

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Judge Advocate

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