



April 28, 2014

Mr. Robert W. Sterling, Commander  
46 Fairway Drive  
Bluffton, SC 29910

Dear Mr. Sterling:

The purpose of this letter is to acknowledge receipt of an email, purportedly from you protesting the District 16 election held Saturday, April 26, 2014 at Post 207 Beaufort. That email was also sent to various members of other posts within the district namely Post 9, 108, 185, 205, and 207.

I would request that if you desire to lodge an official protest and contest the results of that election that you send that protest in writing to me at the Department of South Carolina and to sign, date and have the statement sworn to. At that time I will proceed with reviewing the allegations that the email has presented or alleged. If there are any other individuals who were present and who wish to either lodge an official protest or to sign on to your protest then have them do so and have them sign, date and swear to the document and then forward the document(s) on to me.

I have checked the email's quotation of the Constitution and By-laws of the department to verify the quotations used. I also checked to see if in fact when the notice of the District election was mailed to all posts within the district that it stated it was a "District Election". It was in fact on the post card sent.

Upon receipt of the above documentation, I will bring this matter before the Department Executive Committee for the appropriate and necessary action as deemed by them.

Proud to Serve,

Lloyd H. Woods  
Department Adjutant

Cc: John Coaxum, District 16 Commander

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