

Resolution 11 Rehabilitation Committee

Change the Department Policy of Service Officer Accreditation.

Whereas, the VA&R Committee Framework & Guide are part of the Department of New York Policy, and

Whereas, VA&R Guide, Sub-committees, Accreditation and Cancellations Policy; paragraph C requires the Candidate for Accreditation obtain recommendations from the Post, County, and District Commanders, and

Whereas, Paragraph C of the Department VA & R Guide reads as follows "The candidate must secure a written request for appointment as an accredited representative from the Commander of the Post in which he/she is a member and forward to the appropriate County for endorsement. The request must then be submitted to the district having jurisdiction over the respective county for a forwarding endorsement. The Post request for appointment, the County and District forwarding endorsements, VA Form 2-21, a copy of the Candidate's American Legion Membership Card, and a copy of the candidate's Military Separation Record must be submitted to the Department VA&R Committee Chairman prior to consideration by the VA&R Committee. If the candidate will be attending the Department Basic Training, the entire packet, with endorsements, is to be turned in to the Training Chairman at the beginning of the Basic Training Course", and

Whereas, it has been determined by the Training and Accreditation Chair that this recommendation is no longer required, now therefore

Be it Resolved, paragraph "C" be deleted in its entirety, and

Be it Further Resolved, that paragraph be replaced with the following: "*The Candidate shall forward to the Training and accreditation Chairman, the Basic Training Registration Form, VA Form 21, a copy of his/her Current American Legion Membership Card, a copy of his/her Military Separation Record and the Registration Fee (if applicable) before the deadline date indicated on the Basic Training Registration Form*", and

Be it Finally Resolved, that this resolution be considered at the Department Convention in Syracuse, NY on July 20-22, 2017.