



Department of Washington
5213 Pacific Ave E
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General Order Number 3
Supplemental
September, October, & November 2023

1. State Commander Craig Dougherty is proud to announce the following 2023-2024 National Appointments by Commander in Chief Duane Sarmiento.

National Assistant Inspector General	John C Beam VFW Post 1040
National Special Aide-de-Camp	Charles A Bond VFW Post 7392
National Aide-de-Camp	Ann M Bunch VFW Post 2554
National Aide-de-Camp	Rhonda L Cook VFW Post 379
National Aide-de-Camp	Jesse Cooley VFW Post 91
National Deputy Chief of Staff	Mary Crofoot VFW Post 3386
National Aide-de-Camp	James Daly VFW Post 224
National Aide-de-Camp	Scott Eliason VFW Post 6785
National Aide-de-Camp	Linda Fairbank VFW Post 2289
National Aide-de-Camp	Raymond Fairbank VFW Post 6599
National Aide-de-Camp	Daniel Hansen VFW Post 1263
National Aide-de-Camp	Verdon Henrikson VFW Post 4760
National Aide-de-Camp	Robert Hitchcock VFW Post 4278
National Assistant Inspector General	Darren Hughes VFW Post 1435
National Aide-de-Camp	William Kivett Jr. VFW Post 379
National Aide-de-Camp	John Loehne Jr VFW Post 11326
National Aide-de-Camp	David Moylan VFW Post 10018
National Aide-de-Camp	Robert Nations VFW Post 8956
National Aide-de-Camp	Richard Nugent VFW Post 2463
National Aide-de-Camp	Brad Pieratt VFW Post 3617
National Deputy Chief of Staff	Filiberto Rivera VFW Post 24
National Aide-de-Camp	Fred Seaton VFW Post 2995
National Aide-de-Camp	Julie Street VFW Post 7392
National Aide-de-Camp	David Waggoner VFW Post 3436
National Special Aide-de-Camp	Douglas White VFW Post 9417
National Aide-de-Camp	Otis Wolfe VFW Post 921

2. Life Member Installment Plans- Remind potential new members that they save \$45 dollars if they pay in full for their Life membership in a onetime payment.

3. Contact your expiring and unpaid members, as well as your life and annual. Let them know their value and that they are an important part of the post and that you care about their well-being. Continue to foster this commitment and work towards ending Veteran Suicide.

4. Please use the Department website. It is a valuable asset and holds the answers to many questions you may have. Community Service Reports, forms, upcoming events, and much more are available. If you come across outdated, spelling, or errors in reports please contact the Assistant Adjutant Jason Paxton at asstadj@vfwwa.net to submit corrections, recommendations, or event info. It's a team effort to make the website usable for all.

5. Review the General Orders from National and Department under the Resources tab and select the dropdown "General Orders" to view the listed General Orders. Select, download and send to your post and district members. Ensure members are in the know about what is happening in your organization.

6. Attention- The VFW Department of Washington Statement of Financial Policy 2023-2024 is approved by the Department of Washington Council of Administration as of 17 June 2023. Under General Travel section 8- Each monthly expense voucher shall be submitted to Department Headquarters no later than 30 days following the expenditure. Only Exception is June following convention. All expense vouchers shall be submitted prior to June 30th due to the ending of the fiscal year. Any vouchers not received prior may not be reimbursed to allow for the fiscal budget closeout.

7. Department of Washington has a zero-tolerance policy regarding sexual harassment.

8. Department of Washington has a zero-tolerance policy regarding discrimination.

9. Commanders, you are responsible for ensuring the National bylaws section 107-Transfers, Manual of Procedure- Article I Sections 106- Former Members, and Section 102- Applications- affiliation of new members and VFW Ritual- Members Obligations are followed.

10. Youth essays, Voice of Democracy, Patriots Pen, and the Washington State Essays are being judged and forwarded to Department. The winner for each category will be selected and announced during Mid-Winter. Please ensure that each post and district do a rollup of all essays submitted and have the contact information for each student available. If your post and district have winners Department will need to coordinate their attendance during Mid-Winter.

“IT IS VETERANS WE SERVE.”

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Fred Green

State ADJ/QM

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Craig Dougherty

State Commander