

Sons of The American Legion



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TO: NATIONAL OFFICERS, NATIONAL AND ALTERNATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEEMEN, PAST NATIONAL COMMANDERS, DETACHMENT COMMANDERS AND ADJUTANTS, NATIONAL COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN AND MEMBERS

FROM: CLINT D. BOLT (VA), NATIONAL COMMANDER & ANTHONY W. WRIGHT (PA), NATIONAL ADJUTANT

OFFICIAL 2021 NATIONAL CONVENTION CALL

Pursuant to Article V, Section 2, of the National Constitution of the Sons of The American Legion, I, Clint D. Bolt, National Commander, do hereby call for the 49th Annual National Convention of the Sons of The American Legion, to be held Friday through Sunday, August 27 - 29, 2021, at the Phoenix Convention Center, Phoenix, Arizona. The opening session of the 49th Annual National Convention, in accordance with the Uniform Code of Procedure for National Convention, will be **convened at 1:00 p.m.**, on Friday, August 27, 2021.

The 49th Annual National Convention shall be convened for the following purposes:

1. To complete all business of the Sons of The American Legion for the Fiscal year 2020-2021.
2. To vote on all resolutions, which are properly presented to the National Convention.
3. To consider and/or make amendments to the By-Laws of the National Constitution of the Sons of The American Legion.
4. To elect a National Commander and five (5) National Vice Commanders, for the ensuing year 2021-2022. Elections shall take place on Sunday, August 29, 2021.

NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Pre-Convention NEC Meeting will be held Friday, August 27th, at 10:00 a.m., in the North Bldg., Room 122, 100 Level of the Phoenix Convention Center. The Post Convention NEC meeting will be convened directly following the adjournment of the 49th Annual National Convention on Sunday, August 29, 2021, in the North Bldg., Exhibition Hall 6, Lower Level of the Phoenix Convention Center.

REPRESENTATION: Representation of the National Convention shall be allotted in accordance with the provision of Article V of the National Constitution of the Sons of The American Legion which states:

“...each Detachment shall be entitled to three (3) delegates and one additional delegate for each 500 members or major fraction thereof whose current dues have been received by National Headquarters 30 days prior to the meeting of said National Convention, and whose registration fees, as fixed by the National Executive Committee, for its total authorized delegate strength, have been paid, and to one alternate for each delegate. Approved by Resolution 18, National Executive Committee of The American Legion, October 2005.”

Section 4 of Article V further states: *“Each duly registered delegate shall be entitled to one vote. The vote of any registered delegate absent and not represented by an alternate delegate shall be cast by the majority of any registered delegates from his Detachment. Alternate delegates for registered delegates shall have all privileges of registered delegates except that of voting. A registered delegate is one who has received his credentials and has paid such registration fee as may be required.”*

Detachment Commanders and Detachment Adjutants shall certify their respective delegates and alternate delegates to the National Adjutant through National Convention. In the event that delegate and alternate delegate elections take place after the prescribed deadline, their certification is to be submitted immediately following their election. (The ***Delegate***, ***Alternate Delegate*** and ***Guest*** certification forms can be found online at www.legion.org/sons/convention and www.legion.org/sons/adjutants and are also attached this convention call)

REGISTRATION: Registration of National Convention delegates and alternate delegates will start on Thursday morning, August 26, 2021, from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m., Friday, August 27, 2021, from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. and Saturday, August 28, 2021, from 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. The registration desk will be located in the SAL National Staff Office, located in the West Bldg., 301 Ballroom, 300 Level of the Phoenix Convention Center in Phoenix, Arizona. A registration fee of **\$25.00** for each delegate, alternate delegate, and/or guest is hereby established.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: All registration fees must be paid in advance to National Headquarters no later than **August 6, 2021**. *No registration fees will be accepted onsite at National Convention.*

NATIONAL CONVENTION COMMITTEES:

The Convention Committees will meet on Friday, August 27, 2021, in the Phoenix Convention Center, the times and locations are:

North Bldg., 100 Level

Room 121 8:30 am Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation; 10:00 am Membership; 11:30 am Finance

Room 124 8:30 am Children & Youth; 10:00 am Internal Affairs; 11:30 am Constitutional Amendments

Room 131 8:30 am Americanism; 10:00 am Community Service Scrapbook/History Book;
11:30 am Legislative and Rules

West Bldg., 301 Ballroom, 300 Level

SAL National Staff Office: 11:00 am Credentials

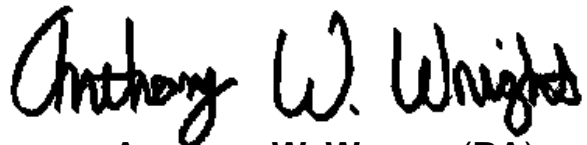
NATIONAL CONVENTION RESOLUTIONS: In accordance with Section 3 of the Uniform Code of Procedure for the Organization of National Conventions, “Resolutions emanating from a Detachment convention shall be forwarded to the National Adjutant to be in his hands 30 days prior to the opening of the National Convention. The only exception to this rule is the case of a Detachment Convention held on a date that renders it physically impossible to comply with the restricted time limit. In such cases, resolutions should be forwarded immediately after said convention and the National Adjutant shall be notified.”

This rule will be strictly enforced. If there are any questions, please contact National Adjutant, Anthony W. Wright (PA) via email at salnationaladjutant@gmail.com.

OFFICIAL:



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NATIONAL COMMANDER



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NATIONAL ADJUTANT

ENCLOSURES:

- 2021 SAL NATIONAL CONVENTION CREDENTIAL PICKUP FORM - FILLABLE
- SAL NATIONAL CONVENTION DELEGATE FORM - FILLABLE
- SAL NATIONAL CONVENTION ALTERNATE DELEGATE FORM - FILLABLE
- SAL NATIONAL CONVENTION GUEST FORM - FILLABLE
- CONVENTION COVID AGREEMENT - (REVISED 6-24-2021)
- SAL NATIONAL CONVENTION AGENDA

ELECTRONIC COPIES WILL BE SENT TO ALL MEMBERS LISTED ABOVE IN THE “TO” SECTION OF THIS CONVENTION CALL.

WHERE NO EMAIL ADDRESS IS LISTED, HARD COPIES OF THIS CONVENTION CALL, AND SUBSEQUENT ENCLOSURES WILL BE MAILED TO THOSE INDIVIDUALS (IF APPLICABLE).