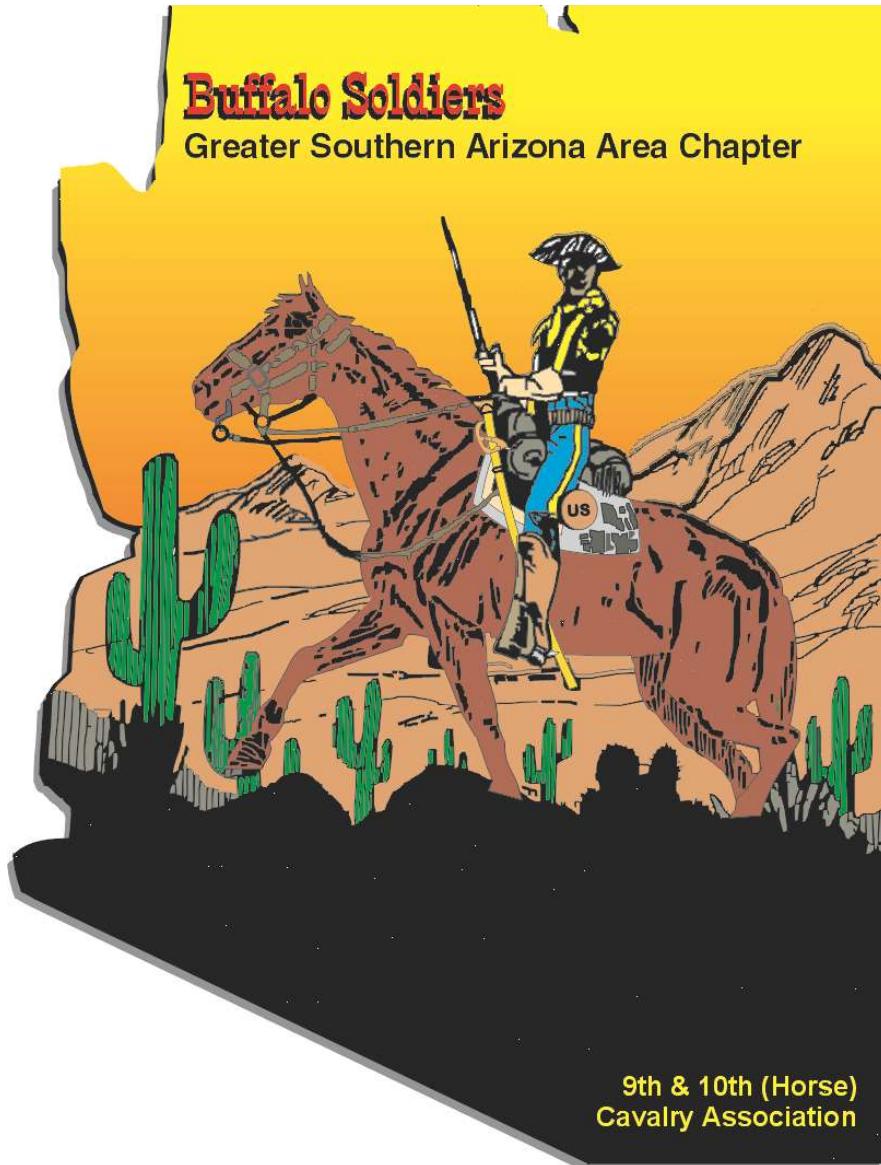


**GSAAC
CONSTITUTION**



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CONSTITUTION
OF
GREATER SOUTHERN ARIZONA AREA CHAPTER
A State of Arizona Nonprofit Corporation
and
A Federal Tax-Exempt Organization Under Section
501 (c) (3) of the IRS Code

PREAMBLE

We, who have served or are now serving as a members of Greater Southern Arizona Area Chapter (GSAAC) of the Ninth and Tenth (Horse) Calvary Association, in order that we may be of greater service to our country and to one another, do unite and establish an organization governed by the non-profit laws of the State of Arizona, the tax-exempt laws of the Internal Revenue Service, our Constitution, and our By-Laws.

ARTICLE I – NAME AND LOCATION

The name of this organization shall be the “Greater Southern Arizona Area Chapter (GSAAC), Ninth and Tenth (Horse) Cavalry Association.” The Agent of Record, as elected by the Chapter, shall be in Tucson, Arizona.

ARTICLE II – TERM OF EXISTENCE

The GSAAC shall have perpetual existence.

ARTICLE III – PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES

Section 1. The Greater Southern Arizona Area Chapter is organized and operated as an affiliate of the National Office of the Ninth and Tenth (Horse) Cavalry Association. It shall meet the responsibilities of an affiliate as set forth in the Articles of Incorporation, Constitution, and By Laws of the Ninth and Tenth (Horse) Cavalry Association.

Section 2. The specific and primary purposes for which this Chapter is formed are to provide opportunities for present and former servicemen who are members of the Chapter to:

1. Promote and perpetuate the history, tradition, and outstanding contributions of the Ninth and Tenth Cavalry Regiments toward the development and defense of the United States of America.

2. Foster patriotism, courage and self-reliance in our youth through various chapter programs.

Section 3. The objectives of the GSAAC are:

1. To cement and strengthen the friendships and loyalties of all persons who have served, are now serving, or may hereafter serve in time of peace or in time of war.
2. To perpetuate the memory of comrades who have passed on and to perpetuate the history of the many accomplishments of the Ninth and Tenth Cavalry Regiments and Twenty-Fourth and Twenty-Fifth Infantry Regiments in the defense of our country.
3. To stimulate critical thinking in the minds of our youth by encouraging them to study and understand the contributions of Blacks to the military history of our nation.
4. To promote community service to the nation and Southern Arizona by setting an example of unselfish patriotism.

ARTICLE IV - MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Membership in the GSAAC shall be open to all persons of good character and reputation who are interested in and will uphold the purpose and objectives of the Ninth and Tenth (Horse) Cavalry Association and who meet the requirements for membership set forth in the GSAAC By-laws.

Section 2. Active membership in the Chapter is determined by current payment of National and Chapter dues.

ARTICLE V- OFFICERS

Section 1. The elected officers of the chapter shall be the President, Vice President, Secretary, Assistant Secretary (if necessary), Treasurer, and Assistant Treasurer (if necessary). Elected officers shall serve a term of two (2) years and shall hold office until a successor is elected. Elected officers may run for additional consecutive terms in the same office when their term is completed, and there shall be no limit on the number of terms that they may serve.

Section 2. The President shall, within thirty days after being elected, appoint a Chaplain, Parliamentarian, Sergeant-at-Arms, and Historian. The President may appoint other officers to assist in carrying out the responsibilities of the office. Appointed officers shall serve at the pleasure of the President.

Section 3. Duties of elected and appointed officers shall be prescribed in the By-laws of the chapter.

ARTICLE VI – EXECUTIVE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. The chapter shall be administered by an *Executive Board of Directors hereinafter referred to as "the Executive Board."* The Board shall possess legal and legislative authority for the chapter. Decisions made by the Board shall be ratified by a majority of the membership in attendance at the next Annual Reunion of the Association.

Section 2. Active members of the Board shall consist of elected officers, appointed officers and no more than two (2) members-at-large.

Section 3. The Chapter President shall serve as Chairman of the Executive Board.

Section 4. The Executive Board shall have such powers as prescribed by this Constitution, shall determine all questions of policy, and shall administer the affairs of the chapter in accordance with the provisions of the By-laws.

Section 5. The Chapter shall be nonpolitical, nonpartisan, and non-sectarian. No individual or group of individuals shall approach outside individuals, organizations, or businesses as representatives of the Chapter without the approval and sanction of the Executive Board.

ARTICLE VII – MEMBERSHIP DUES AND FISCAL YEAR

Section 1. Annual dues of the GSAAC shall be established by the Executive Board and stated in the By-laws.

Section 2. The Chapter requires regular dues in the amount currently approved by the membership. A proposed change in the Chapter dues may be submitted to the membership for a vote either at a regular meeting or by written ballot. Approval of a change by written ballot shall be by the consent of a majority of those responding provided the response is from no less than one-third of the active Chapter members.

Section 3. Annual dues shall be paid upon joining the GSAAC and become due thereafter on January 01 of each year. New members joining the chapter between October 1 and December 31 of any year will be considered fully paid for the following year.

Section 4. National and Chapter dues shall be payable by individual members of the Chapter directly to the Chapter for membership in the Ninth and Tenth (Horse) Calvary Association.

Section 5. National dues will be forwarded by the Chapter Treasurer to the National Treasurer.

Section 6. The fiscal year of the chapter shall be the calendar year.

ARTICLE VIII – MEETINGS

Business meetings shall be held monthly, at a date and time determined by the Executive Board and ratified by the membership. Notice of any changes will be provided all members prior to the scheduled meeting.

ARTICLE IX - BY LAWS

The chapter may establish and alter By-laws for government of its members and regulation of its affairs. The By-laws shall not conflict with this Constitution.

ARTICLE X - LIQUIDATION AND DISSOLUTION

Upon the termination and dissolution of this corporation, after paying or adequately providing for the debts and obligations of this corporation, the remaining assets shall be distributed to a nonprofit fund, foundation or corporation, which is organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious and/or scientific purposes and which has established its tax exempt status under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

ARTICLE XI – AMENDMENTS AND REVISIONS

The Constitution may be amended or revised by a resolution of the Executive Board and the vote or written consent of at least two-thirds (2/3) of a quorum of the members.

ATTESTED

APPROVED BY THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP December 15, 2018.

Trooper Sam Freeman, Jr.
President

Trooper Jon Covington
Secretary