



**The American Legion
Department of California
Area 2, District 28
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The Adjutant's charge: *"You have been chosen to assist in the wise and effective administration of the Commander's office, and to serve not only your fellow Legionnaires but also those whose relationship to our organization has led them to look to us for guidance and relief. You will find your duties many, varied and, at times, taxing of your crowded hours and resources. The successful accomplishment of our program depends, to a great extent, upon you and your performance of the duties of your office."* 2022 Officers Manual and Ceremonies

19 September 2022

TO: Jere Romano
Department Commander
Department of California

Ref: Vote of No Confidence of the Department Adjutant

Cc: Personnel Committee members

Department Commander Jere Romano,

On September 18, at our regularly scheduled District 28 meeting, held at Post 593, Prunedale, the issue of the Department Adjutant's behavior as of late was discussed. During the open discussion period it was pointed out that the Department Adjutant has been absent from her position in Sanger and inattentive to her duties as Department Adjutant. In particular her recent appearance at the Laguna Seca

Raceway during the WeatherTech Indy Car races held Friday, September 9th thru Sunday, September 11 in Monterey California. During this time period, she showed a disregard for the Department Commander's presence but rather her attentiveness was to the Junior Past Department Commander Audrey James. Opportunities to highlight the current Department Commander's presence were overlooked in favor of the Junior Past Commander's presence.

Further it was pointed out that her continued absences from the Department office in Sanger has created a less than favorable work atmosphere for the personnel and the current Department Commander.

It was also discussed that the Department Adjutant's close association with the Junior Past Commander has caused concerns. As to the relationship, whether proper, or not, the Past Commander as a married man and in line for nomination to the high position of National Commander of the American Legion should be held to the highest standards and should exhibit in his personal conduct the standards of the American Legion, and within our American Legion family values. **

A call for the motion was made, by Natasha Pinedo, seconded by Carlos Venegas to have a No Confidence vote of the Department of California Adjutant. A vote of "Yes" with 1 abstention to send a Letter of No Confidence was approved. The District Commander Lois Flint directed the District Adjutant to prepare this letter and send it to the Department Commander and the members of the Personnel Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

**District 28, Area 2
Department of California**



Michael L. Bloom
District Adjutant

** Code of Professional Conduct adopted by The American Legion Department of California, in Convention Assembled in Bakersfield, California, June 20 - 22, 2008.