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The SCV Problem: A Step Further

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In reply to an "Open letter to all Confederates" by the Rev. Dr. Steve Woods, I would like to first thank Rev. Woods for his forward thinking and his candid solution to the SCV problem. Sadly, I don't see many in the SCV taking Woods' advice, and I must say that I agree with Woods comments. Now I'll take it a step further by predicting the fall of the SCV organization through blind support by honorable men who seek to save a corrupt organization that no longer supports the Cause and our Southern heritage.

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My experience in the SCV of the last four years has provided the facts that support my prediction. Two years ago as Commander of Camp 1205 in the SCV Colorado Division, I faced, as did all of my fellow compatriots of our Division, a dilemma similar if not the same as those facing the National SCV today. I chose to fight the corrupt practices of the Colorado SCV Division. The result was, as some of you may remember, the resignation of three out of the five Camp Commanders in the Colorado Division.

I was one of those Commanders who resigned; I no longer wanted to be part of an organization that used corrupt bully tactics to honor my Confederate heritage. When all this happened, hardly a soul at SCV National paid much attention to the "border war" within the Colorado SCV. Ron Wilson never questioned or sought to mend the differences that caused the implosion of the Colorado Division. Not a word, phone call, or email. Obviously, the SCV IHQ administration wasn't too worried about a small uprising in Colorado.

Now it seems that Colorado's problem was just part of the beginning of a revolution in the SCV and the Southern movement. Even as recent as last November, I and my employer were threatened by shady members of the SCV who masqueraded their power over my fellow compatriots who planned and held an SCV-related Southern heritage educational event. Anthony Hodges [See Editor's Note below] played a part in threatening our event by using his title and SCV constitutional legalese to solidify his leadership status. Once more I was made quite aware that the SCV is no longer an organization that I could

support.

I have decided to leave the SCV, walk away, and support my Southern heritage without an SCV membership card. What I walk away from is a tyrannical organization that uses a military structure with civilian law as a facade. The SCV Constitution has been usurped and interpreted to support the "war lords" and their petty personal agendas. The SCV does not support the "old traditions" of our ancestors as some of you may believe. The SCV of today dishonors my ancestors who gave all they had to protect their homes, families, and way of life. The SCV organization must end this misery by closing its doors and ceasing its existence as an organization. The SCV empire must end.

Only from the death of this corrupt SCV will we all have the chance to gather once more as brothers and give birth to a new organization for honoring our Southern ancestors. A new organization that needs no military structure or theocracy to control its members or drive its agenda. A new organization that has in place checks and balances for debate, and strict membership guidelines to keep the organization honest and honorable. This will be the only way to save the honor of our ancestors and keep our tradition alive.

Gentlemen, I choose my God-given unalienable right to secede from all the corruption and dishonorable practices of an organization that uses and holds my ancestors' honorable service to the Cause hostage through manipulative emotional guilt trips.

The future is a scary place. I'm moving forward. Please join me and secede from the corruption. Let's build a new way to promote and defend our heritage through honesty, fairness, and our love for the South.

God bless the South and her people.

Respectfully,

David Kelly