

RESOLUTION No. 9

AMEND DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA BY-LAWS

**ARTICLE V
COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION**

WHEREAS, from time to time it may be necessary to add a level of expertise when making a decision when dealing with legal matters binding Department by signature, and

WHEREAS, the Department Judge Advocate is not always a practicing Attorney, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that Article V Section 8 be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following;

**ARTICLE V
COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION
Section 8**

That the members of the Council of Administration require the advice and recommendations of the Department Judge Advocate and at times a qualified attorney prior to taking action on any legal matter that is to be signed by the Department, binding the Department of California.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this change shall take effect during the 2015-2016 VFW year.

**Submitted by Howard Hagen
State Commander**

To the Committee on **Resolutions**

The intent of this resolution is to ensure the best possible advice available when Department may become involved in matters that may/will legally bind the Department.