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SPECIAL BULLETIN
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TO: ALL NATIONAL OFFICERS, STATE AND POST COMMANDERS

SUBJECT: FINANCIAL ACCOUNT SIGNATURES – ALL PLAY ACCOUNTS AT THE NATIONAL, STATE AND POST LEVELS

1. The Commanders' signature must be on all of the National, State or Post level Banking and Financial accounts, at their specific level. (National, State or Post). Anyone that handles monies for the P.L.A.V., which **INCLUDES** officers of the National or any State Convention Corporations, should also be on those accounts, as are specific to their particular duties. I would refer you to Article IX, FINANCES, Sec. 1, Par. 3: ***“All vouchers, checks and money drafts, and other financial obligations of the Polish Legion of American Veterans, U.S.A., approved by the National Department, shall be signed by any two (2) of the following: the National Commander, the National Treasurer, or the National First Vice Commander, or, the National Quartermaster.”*** This would also be applied at the State and Post levels, with the same officers referenced being authorized dual signers on said accounts.

I would further refer you to Clause IV, OFFICERS, Sec. 4, covering the National Convention Corporation, that: ***“The National Convention Corporation shall bond all its officers as named in Section 1 of this Article. Such bond shall be for a reasonable amount and be filed with the National Treasurer of the Polish Legion of American Veterans, U.S.A.”***

2. Any Special, or Separate accounts, possibly set up to keep funds separate, such as a General Fund and a V.A.V.S., or Hospital Account, are the 3 most common examples of why a National or State Department, and Posts, would have more than one account.
3. When elections are held and new officers elected, at the National, State and Post levels, the outgoing **AND** incoming officers should arrange with the appropriate banks to update all Checking and Savings Accounts, as well as any Money Market or Certificates of Deposit a Post, State or the National Department might currently be holding. **This should be a priority, accomplished as soon as possible.**

4. All Officers and Commanders on said accounts referenced above also need to be Bonded at their appropriate level within the organization (Post, State or National). I would refer you to Article VII, MONEYS AND COLLECTIONS, Sec. 1.: ***“All National Department, State Department, and local Post officials handling money of the Polish Legion of American Veterans, U.S.A. shall be properly bonded with a good and solvent bonding and surety company as surety to cover double the average amount of money handled in a single year. In case of delinquencies in the payment of the amounts due the National Department or a State Department, action shall be taken at once by the proper officials to bring about an immediate and complete settlement.”***

If anyone should have any questions on the above topics, please feel free to contact me.

Respectfully,

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