



## UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

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DEPOT ORDER 5760.7A

From: Commander

To: Distribution List

Subj: ORGANIZATIONAL SUPPORT FOR THE NAVY-MARINE CORPS RELIEF SOCIETY

Ref: (a) DepO 5760.4G

(b) DoD 5500.7-R, Chapter 3, section 202 dtd August 6, 1998

Encl: (1) Parris Island Office, Advisory Board Membership

1. Purpose. To provide guidance regarding command support for the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society.

2. Cancellation. DepO 5760.7.

3. Background. The Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society is the principal source of emergency assistance for our active duty and retired Marines and Sailors, and their dependents and survivors. Although a private, non-profit, Type 1, Federally Sanctioned Private Organization (refer to reference [a]), the Society, since its establishment in 1904, has kept very close ties to the Naval Service. Active duty personnel have traditionally served in key leadership positions with the Society's Board of Managers and officers for field activities and as board members for Office advisory boards. It is to the benefit of our Marines and Sailors that these close, traditional ties are maintained.

4. Information

a. Reference (b), Department of Defense (DOD) General Counsel policy restricts the involvement of active duty personnel in their official capacity in the management of non-Federal entities. In compliance with the intent of the General Counsel's policy, active duty personnel are not permitted to serve as officers of the Parris Island Office, of the Navy-Marine Corp Relief Society.

b. So that the long standing partnership may continue to evolve, a solution offered by the Society allows the senior installation officer the opportunity to represent the command

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through the advisory board as the Honorary Chairman of the Office Advisory Board. In the Navy JAG's opinion, this solution complies with the DOD General Counsel policy. Military personnel can be appointed to participate as a Navy or Marine Corps "liaison" for their respective commands. In this capacity, those members can serve on the advisory board as part of their official duties.

#### 5. Action

a. The Parris Island Office Advisory Board will serve as a forum by which the Office provides information about its relief programs and services while obtaining activities advice and recommendations from the command on how the Office can enhance its ability to better serve the local community.

b. Members of the Parris Island Advisory Board may not be involved in matters of management or control of the Office, nor may they be held out to be such to members of the public. Opinions or recommendations expressed by members of the Advisory Board are not binding on the Department of the Navy.

c. Personnel the Office serves, and the units and organizations listed in the enclosure, are suggestive of the Advisory Board membership.

#### 6. Assignments

a. Honorary Advisory Board Chairman. The Honorary Advisory Board Chairman shall be the Commanding General, Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island.

b. Command Representative. The Chief of Staff is designated the Command Representative for the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society and, as such, responsible for ensuring such support as necessary shall be made available to the Office in the execution of its mission.

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c. Unit Representatives and Commanders will provide representation to the Advisory Board meetings or such other meetings considered necessary in the execution of the Society mission.

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Parris Island Office, Advisory Board Membership

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Chief of Staff [Honorary Vice Chairman and Command  
Representative]  
Sergeant Major  
Director, Parris Island Office  
Honorary Chairman of Volunteers  
Commanding Officer, Recruit Training Regiment  
    Commanding Officer, 1st Recruit Training Battalion  
    Commanding Officer, 2nd Recruit Training Battalion  
    Commanding Officer, 3rd Recruit Training Battalion  
    Commanding Officer, 4th Recruit Training Battalion  
    Commanding Officer, Support Battalion  
Commanding Officer, Headquarters and Service Battalion  
Commanding Officer, Weapons and Field Training Battalion  
Commanding Officer, U.S. Naval Hospital, Beaufort  
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Director, Marine Corps Family Team Building  
Presidents of the:  
    Parris Island Officers Spouse's Club  
    Oak leaf Club, Beaufort, Naval Hospital  
    Staff Noncommissioned Officers Club, and  
    Enlisted Wives Clubs  
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