



**SOUTH CAROLINA
CONFEDERATE RELIC ROOM &
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COLUMBIA, SC—The South Carolina Confederate Relic Room and Military Museum Commission will meet on Thursday June 15, 2023, at 10:30 A.M. This meeting will be conducted in person and via telephone conferencing. Any member of the media or the public who may wish to attend, is welcome! The meeting will be held in the Museum's Education Meeting Room or via a conference phone call. Please contact Rachel Cockrell at (803) 737-8020 for access to the Museum's conference phone system. The meeting agenda is as follows:

- I. Greetings to the Commission, Members of the Media, and Visitors
- II. Review of February 16, 2023 Meeting Minutes
- III. Old Business
- IV. Review of the Museum's Operation for Fiscal Year 2023
 - A. Visitation
 - B. Saturday Programs, Education Programs, Lunch and Learn Programs
 - C. FY24 Budget Request & Status
 - D. State Auditor's Report for the Fiscal Year ending June 2022 (Rachel)
- V. Ongoing Museum and Columbia Mills Projects
 - A. Exhibit Schedule
 1. *A War with No Front Lines: SC and the Vietnam War, 1965 – 1973*
 - a. Exhibit Corrections
 - b. Exhibit Surveys
 2. *The Twilight of Revolutionaries and the Dawn of Photography* opens June 29
 3. *Traveling Exhibits* (Fort Motte & Rev. Photographs)
 - B. Collections
 1. Joseph Edens Collection (Chelsea)
 2. Charleston Light Dragoon Flag
 - C. Education
 1. With the help of Commissioner Curry, we will be setting up an advisory Education Committee
 2. The Education Program will also be engaging with commercial Streamable Learning programs, again
 - D. New Museum Website has Launched
 - E. New Vietnam Exhibit Brochure
 - F. Museum Uniform Conservation Project
 - G. Columbia Mills Construction Project
 - H. Congaree River Recovery Project
 - I. House Cleaning this summer
 - J. Upcoming Museum Collections Storage Project
- VI. Issues to be addressed
 - A. Palmetto State Military History Foundation Account & Status

- B. Appointment of New Commissioners
- C. Strategic Planning for the Museum and Commission
 - 1. Addressing AAM Accreditation Concerns in FY23 and FY24
 - 2. Minor Staff Restructuring
 - 3. Museum Goals & Accountability Report
- D. SC State Museum Issues and Potential Partnerships

VII. Friday's Lunch & Learn: *Myron Harrington on the Battel of Hue*

VIII. Next Commission Meeting Date: August 17, 2023

Any questions regarding these proceedings may be addressed to museum Executive Director Allen Roberson, 803-737-8096 or arobers@crr.sc.gov. The South Carolina Confederate Relic Room and Military Museum Commission members are comprised of three members appointed by the Governor, two members appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, one member appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate on recommendation of the SC Division Commander of Sons of Confederate Veterans, two members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and one member appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives on recommendation of the President of the SC Division of the United Daughters of the Confederacy.

Founded in 1896, the SC Confederate Relic Room and Military Museum is the oldest museum in the Columbia area. The museum focuses on South Carolina's military history from the Revolutionary War to the present. The museum is located at 301 Gervais Street (in the same building as the State Museum). Visit www.crr.sc.gov for more information.

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