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Eckstrom Earns Promotion in SC State Guard

Columbia, S.C. – State Comptroller Richard Eckstrom has been promoted to the rank of major general in the S.C. State Guard.

Eckstrom, who previously held the rank of brigadier general, has commanded the State Guard since 2011. He joined it in 2004 following 28 years of service in the U.S. Navy.

The State Guard is an unpaid, all-volunteer state military force numbering more than 800 from all regions of the state. It follows the rank structure and wears the uniform of the U.S. Army.

The State Guard is organized under the S.C. Military Department and the South Carolina adjutant general. Its primary mission is to protect against loss of life and property within South Carolina, and its members cannot be mobilized into combat.

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