

The Southern Republic. The Permanent Constitution of the Confederate States of America.

We, the people of the Confederate States, each State acting in its sovereign and independent character, in order to form a permanent and independent government, establish justice, insure domestic tranquillity, promote the general welfare, secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, do hereby ordain and establish this Constitution for the Confederate States of America.

ARTICLE I.—Section 1. All legislative powers herein delegated shall be vested in a Congress of the Confederate States, which shall consist of a Senate and House of Representatives.

1. The House of Representatives shall be composed of members chosen every second year by the people of the several States, and the electors in each State shall have the right to choose Representatives, and have the qualifications requisite for Senators of the most numerous branch of the State Legislature; but no person shall be a Representative of the Confederate States who shall not have attained to the age of twenty-five years, and been seven years a citizen of the Confederate States, and, when elected, shall have been at least seven years an inhabitant of that State in which he shall be chosen.

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