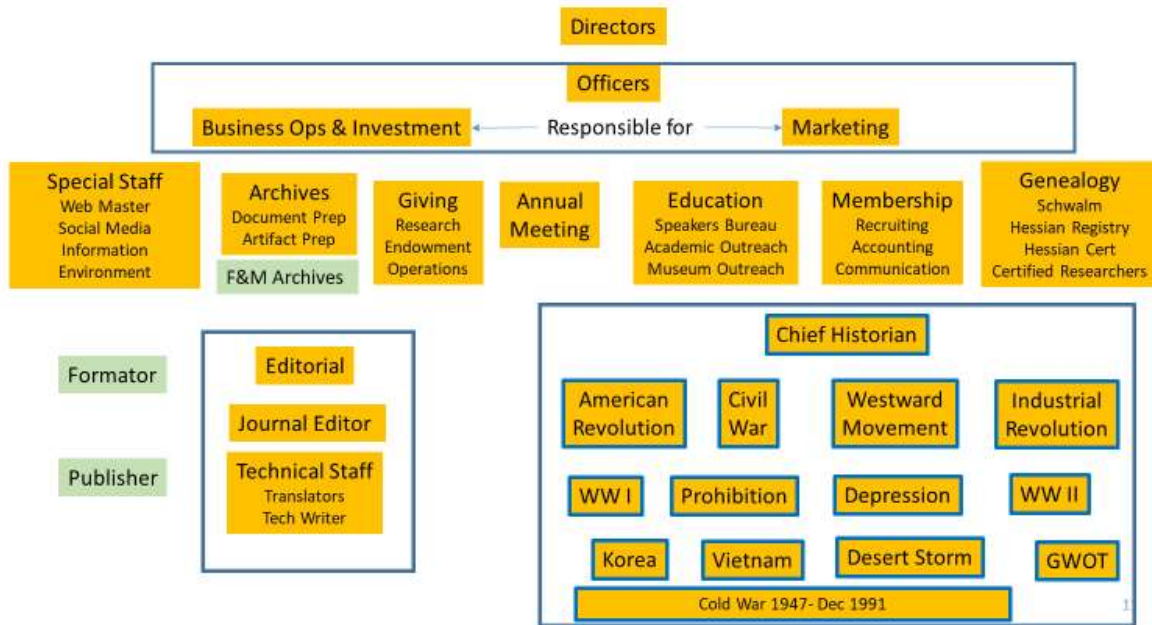


## JSHA Chief Historian Position Description – August 2018

1           The Johannes Schwalm Historical Association (JSHA), Inc., a 501( c ) ( 3 ) Non-Profit corporation,  
 2 is seeking a volunteer to serve as Chief Historian. JSHA has been in business for 43 years and has  
 3 published annually every year since inception. The initial focus of the organization was to publish  
 4 information on Johannes Schwalm, a Hessian soldier captured at Trenton in 1776 who remained in  
 5 America after the American Revolution, and his descendants. Over the years, other families of Hessian  
 6 descendants have joined the organization and publication expanded to cover these families as well.

7           JSHA is managed by a board of directors which includes four elected officers. The board  
 8 members are all volunteers from academia, business and military careers. The board of directors  
 9 recently approved an expanded organizational chart which defines committees to handle business and  
 10 history operations. The organizational chart is shown below.

### JSHA Structure (Approved April 22, 2018)



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 12           The Chief Historian coordinates the actions of multiple history committees from the Hessians in  
 13 the American Revolution and the contributions of Hessian descendants to the growth of the United  
 14 States through the modern era. The Chief Historian assists in finding volunteers to lead subject area  
 15 committees. Provides guidance on developing research and writing projects for publication in the  
 16 annual JSHA journal or in other venues. Assists the Editorial Committee with content reviews of author  
 17 drafts. Assists the Education Committee in developing and delivering history briefings for use in school  
 18 and public events.

19           The successful candidate would have an academic background in American History or Social  
 20 Studies. Skills and abilities in communicating verbally during teleconferences / board meetings and in  
 21 writing via email are required. Knowledge of the history research process that leads to publishable  
 22 content is required.

23           The Chief Historian will be offered a JSHA Board Membership which is a 5-year term renewable  
 24 upon successful participation in the activities of JSHA. The board meets 3 times per year – Fall, Spring

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1 and Summer in locations in Southeastern Pennsylvania. Board members can also participate via  
2 teleconference if unable to travel. Other committees meet via teleconference throughout the year to  
3 coordinate activities and the publication process. JSHA Board membership is desired for the Chief  
4 Historian but not mandatory.

5 As of August 2018, JSHA has active committees for American Revolution focusing on Hessian  
6 Military History along with Hessian descendant committees for the Civil War, World War II, Vietnam and  
7 Desert Storm. Research and writing projects for 2019 include Westward Movement in addition to the  
8 writing projects of the active committees. Each committee is developing a charter with purpose,  
9 objectives, volunteer needs and budgets. We have researchers in Europe budgeted to focus on England  
10 and Germany based archives of Hessian soldiers.

11 JSHA holds a membership meeting once a year in the summer and this includes displays of  
12 history artifacts and presentations on history topics. The Chief Historian would assist the Annual  
13 Meeting committee with obtaining participants for the displays and presentations. It is a fun family  
14 atmosphere with activities for all ages.

15 Submit CV or Resume to President Ross H. Schwalm at [PAHessian@gmail.com](mailto:PAHessian@gmail.com). If you have any  
16 questions, you can also contact him at cell 571-330-2745.