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This volume is part of a multi-volume work, organized by state. The first nine volumes are devoted to the regional histories of Alabama, Arkansas and Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Texas, Tennessee and Virginia. The tenth volume covers the border states of Kentucky, Maryland and Missouri, plus Indian units serving the Confederacy and multi-state units designated as "Confederates". The final volume is comprised of tables of brigades and higher commands, including names and ranks of their commanders and dates of their commands. In all, the "Compendium" will document a total of some 2000 regimental histories. Each volume's coverage is divided into groups for artillery (including heavy artillery, horse artillery, light artillery and siege artillery); cavalry (including dragoons, lancers, mounted rifles and partisan rangers); infantry (including mounted infantry, rifles and sharpshooters). Within each of these groupings, units are arranged by numerical designations, followed by unnumbered units which are organized alphabetically by unit name. Each individual entry includes organizational information (including, where appropriate, the date and place of the unit's organization, muster-in, reorganization and

final disposition - ie. disbandment or surrender); the name of the first colonel of the regiment, first commander of a battalion or first captain of an artillery battalion, followed by an alphabetical listing of all field officers of the command, with their ranks; the higher assignments of the unit - a complete listing of the various campaigns, battles and skirmishes in which the unit was engaged, complete with dates; further reading suggestions, as available, of unit histories and personal memoirs.

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