



Call for Nominations

The Society of Civil War Historians solicits nominations for the Tom Watson Brown Book Award for books published in 2017. Publishers are asked to send books, along with a cover letter nominating the work for the Tom Watson Brown Award, directly to the four prize jurors no later than **January 31, 2018**. Only books published in 2017 will be considered.

All genres of scholarship on the causes, conduct, and effects, broadly defined, of the Civil War are eligible. This includes, but is not exclusive to, monographs, synthetic works presenting original interpretations, and biographies. Works of fiction, poetry, and textbooks will not be considered. Jurors will consider nominated works' scholarly and literary merit as well as the extent to which they make original contributions to our understanding of the period.

Orville Vernon Burton, Professor of History and Director of the Clemson Cyberinstitute at Clemson University, will chair the prize jury. The other members are **Nicole Etcheson**, Alexander M Bracken Professor of History, Ball State University and **Earl J. Hess**, Stewart W. McClelland Chair in History, Lincoln Memorial University. **Tad Brown**, President of the Watson-Brown Foundation, Inc., will serve as a non-voting member of the jury.

The winner will be announced by August 1, 2018. The prize will be presented at the SCWH banquet at the Southern Historical Association annual meeting, where the winner will deliver a formal address that will be published in a subsequent issue of the *Journal of the Civil War Era*.

Nominated books with cover letters should be sent to:

- **Tad Brown**, President, Watson-Brown Foundation, Inc., 310 Tom Watson Way, Thomson, GA 30824
- **Orville Vernon Burton**, History Department, Clemson University, 126 Hardin Hall, 403 Calhoun Drive, Clemson, SC 29634-0527
- **Nicole Etcheson**, Department of History, Ball State University, Muncie, IN 47306
- **Earl J. Hess**, Stewart W. McClelland Chair in History, Lincoln Memorial University, 6965 Cumberland Gap Parkway, Harrogate, TN 37752

The deadline for submissions is January 31, 2018. Submission instructions can be found on the SCWH website at http://scwhistorians.org/?page_id=19.