## Dan Sickles Civil War Roundtable



## Presents:

## Contrasts in Command: The Battle of Fair Oaks, May 31 – June 1, 1862

with Historian and Award-Winning Author Victor Vignola

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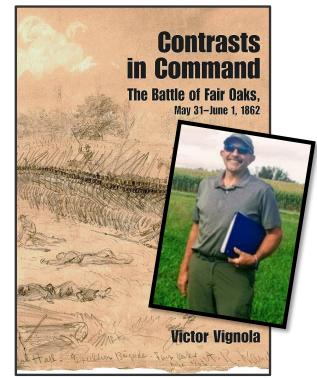
A Virtual Program via Zoom

Sunday, April 28, 2024 7:00 pm (eastern)

Surprisingly little has been written about the key Battle of Fair Oaks. The bloody two-day affair, fought on the very doorstep of the Confederate capital, was the first major battle in the Eastern Theater since Bull Run. At the head of the Confederate army was Gen. Joseph E. Johnston, and as fate intervened late in the day on May 31<sup>st</sup>, one of the men who would lay gravely wounded was General Johnston.

His replacement would be Robert E. Lee – a decision that changed the course of the entire war.

Author Vic Vignola based his study on a host of primary and archival sources, many of which have never before been published.



<u>Contrasts in Command: The Battle of Fair Oaks, May 31–June 1, 1862</u>, has earned author Victor Vignola the prestigious *Fletcher Pratt Award*, presented by the **Civil War Roundtable of New York**.











