Station 2: Avoiding the Call to Arms - Substitutes

“Company Order No. 4,” June 19, 1863; Civil War collection, 1977.200, box 2, folder 6, “Published Orders 13th Regt 1863-4”; Brooklyn Historical Society.

Your group has 25 minutes to examine the two documents closely and to discuss the following:

• This is an order issued by the United States government. Who is being ordered? What are they being ordered to do?

• Describe in your own words the policy of substitution.

• Who do you think was able to find a substitute?

• Who do you think agreed to be a substitute? Why would they do this?

Spend 5 minutes summarizing your findings. Be prepared to report back to the whole class.