



# PETITION FOR THE DEGREES OF KENTUCKY FREEMASONRY



\_\_\_\_\_, Kentucky this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_

To the Master, Wardens and Members of \_\_\_\_\_ Lodge No. \_\_\_\_\_, F. & A.M.

Having conceived a favorable opinion of the Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons, and a sincere desire of being serviceable to my fellow creatures, unbiased by friends, and uninfluenced by mercenary motives, I do freely and voluntarily offer myself as a candidate for initiation into the mysteries of your time-honored institution, and if elected, will cheerfully conform to all the ancient and established usages and customs of the Fraternity, which I understand are based on the highest principles and moral precepts and incorporate no unseemly conduct.

### The Petitioner will answer each of the following questions fully - print or type, except signature:

Do you believe in the existence of God as the creator of all things and if accepted, promise to obey the laws and conform to the usages of our ancient and honorable fraternity? \_\_\_\_\_

What is your full name? \_\_\_\_\_

Where do you reside? House No. & Street \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate Post Office Box or mailing Address if other than your residence

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

How long resided there? \_\_\_\_\_ How long resided in the State of Kentucky? \_\_\_\_\_

Where have you resided during the past five years? \_\_\_\_\_

What is your present occupation? \_\_\_\_\_ How Long? \_\_\_\_\_

What is your business address? \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

By whom and where employed in the past five years? \_\_\_\_\_

Date of your birth: \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ A. D. \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Where were you born? \_\_\_\_\_ (City or Town) \_\_\_\_\_ (State) \_\_\_\_\_ SS No. \_\_\_\_\_

First Responder? Yes  No  Profession \_\_\_\_\_ Veteran? Yes  No  Branch of service? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you know of any physical, mental, legal or moral reason which would prevent you from becoming a Freemason? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, explain \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever pleaded guilty, or been convicted of any crime? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, give details of when and where? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you married? \_\_\_\_\_ How many dependents? \_\_\_\_\_ Give sex and age of your children \_\_\_\_\_

Wife's name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Have you previously applied for, or been proposed, as a candidate for the Degrees in a Masonic Lodge? \_\_\_\_\_

If so, when and in what Lodge? \_\_\_\_\_

What were the results? (explain fully) \_\_\_\_\_

Do you believe, or have you ever believed in the overthrow of the government of the United States of America by force or infiltration, or been a member of an organization who advocates the same? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ (If yes, give names and dates) \_\_\_\_\_

Have you held membership in The order of DeMolay? \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter? \_\_\_\_\_ (or) The Builders? \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter? \_\_\_\_\_

Offices held: \_\_\_\_\_

### FACTS CONCERNING FREEMASONRY PETITIONER MUST READ THE FOLLOWING

Having expressed a desire to become a Freemason, we presume you are willing to consider thoroughly the step you propose to take. The exact nature of our Institution being unknown to you, we deem it advisable that you should be informed on certain points, the knowledge of which may affect your decision to apply for membership. Freemasonry interferes neither with religion nor politics, but has for its foundation the great basic principles of The Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man. No atheist can be a Freemason. Freemasonry strives to teach a man the duty he owes to God, his neighbor and himself. It includes the practice of virtue, and makes an extensive use of Symbolism in its teachings. It cannot be too strongly emphasized that Freemasonry is not to be entered in the hope of personal gain or advancement. Admission thereto must not be sought from mercenary or other unworthy motives. The aim of the true Freemason is to cultivate a brotherly feeling among men, and to help whomsoever he can.

Our Ancient and Honorable Fraternity welcomes to its doors and admits to its privileges worthy men of all faiths, creeds and of every race who believe in a Supreme Being, as stated in our Degrees and lectures, and; Whereas there is no reference to the exclusion of any petitioner with regard to race, creed, and/or faith in any of the accepted Rituals and / or Monitors authorized for use within the constituent lodges chartered by the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, F.&A.M., and; Whereas it is incumbent upon the Brotherhood to abide by the Laws, Rules, Regulations, and Edicts of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, F. & A.M. I hereby authorize the Masonic Lodge (Lodge) to which I have submitted a Petition for the Three Degrees of Freemasonry, to contact any company or individual they deem appropriate to investigate my background, criminal and civil court history, character and qualifications.

I hereby certify on my honor that all these answers are true and correct, and that I have read, understood and agree with all statements made on this application form. Any false statements given on this petition shall render it null and void.

**SIGN YOUR FULL NAME (in ink)** \_\_\_\_\_

(Type or print your full name) \_\_\_\_\_

Initiation Fee (First Degree) \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to accompany this petition  
 Grand Lodge E. A. Initiation Fee \_\_\_\_\_ \$ 5.00 E.A.  
 Fellow Craft (Second Degree) \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Master Mason (Third Degree) \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Annual Dues \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

We recommend the above petitioner as a candidate for the Degrees of Masonry, based upon our belief that he is of good moral character, temperate, industrious.

**(Must have two recommendations)**

Signatures of Members of the Lodge to which the petition is directed: { \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

**REFERENCES (NOTE: SHOULD BE DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE RECOMMENDATIONS)**

Each petitioner is required to furnish in the space provided below, the names of three (3) persons (preferably Masons, local) as references that have known him for a period of five years or more.

	NAME	STREET ADDRESS	CITY/STATE/ZIP
(1)	_____	_____	_____
(2)	_____	_____	_____
(3)	_____	_____	_____

**Report of Committee**

**The Petitioner should read and sign the following:**

I solemnly declare upon my honor that I will cheerfully conform to all the requirements of your by-laws, and to the ancient usages and established customs of the Fraternity. This Petition shall be rendered null and void that upon discovery of a falsehood any degree(s) conferred upon the applicant are also null and void.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Petitioner's Signature**

The undersigned having carefully inquired into the character and qualifications of the within petitioner, respectfully report.

Acceptance   
 Rejection  \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Rejection  \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Rejection  \_\_\_\_\_