

PETITION FOR DEGREES

TO THE MASTER, WARDENS AND BRETHERN OF _____ LODGE NO. _____
ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS:

I, _____ being of the full age of eighteen years, do acknowledge my belief in God, and do declare that, unbiased by improper solicitation, and uninfluenced by mercenary or other unworthy motives, I freely and voluntarily offer myself a candidate for the mysteries and privileges of Freemasonry, and a sincere wish to be serviceable to my fellow creatures; that I am possessed of sufficient means to enable me to meet the charges of my admission and the support of my membership in the craft without detriment to my family; and that I will cheerfully conform to all the ancient usages and established customs of the fraternity.

(Sign all given names in full)

We, the undersigned members of an Illinois lodge, certify that we are personally acquainted with Mr. _____ . For the length of time specified before our respective signatures. And that we have confidence in his integrity and respect his intentions and we cheerfully recommend him as a fit and proper candidate for Masonry; also that our acquaintance with the petitioner has been of such character as to give us ample knowledge of his life, morals, conduct and general reputation and standing in the community in which he resides, and that upon acting upon this knowledge we sign this recommendation.

I have known the petitioner _____ years _____ months _____

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I have known the petitioner _____ years _____ months _____

Signature

Printed Name

Lodge No.

Questions to be Answered by the Petitioner

(Answers to the following questions must be in the Petitioner's own handwriting.)

What is your name? _____ Wife's name: _____

What is your age? _____ years. Date of birth _____ day of _____, A. D. _____

Where were you born? _____
(City) (County) (State or Country)

Where do you reside? _____
(Street) (City) (Zip)

What is your business address? _____
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

What is your occupation? _____
(designate specifically and in detail, both with relation to yourself and to your employer if any)

By whom are you employed? _____ What is your employer's business? _____

Have you resided in the state of Illinois continuously for the six months last past? _____

Where have you resided for the six months last past? _____

Where have you resided for the ten years last past? _____ If in more than one place, state the particular years in each place.

Have you ever been convicted of a felony crime? _____

Have you ever previously petitioned any lodge for the degrees in Masonry? _____ If so, how many times? _____

Fill out and sign the following statement regarding last petition:

On or about _____ I petitioned _____ Lodge _____ Lodge No., At _____

State of _____ name of state _____ *(state definitely whether elected or rejected, of what disposition was made of your petition.)*

Record of other petitions _____

Are you a member of any organization, the regulations of which are incompatible with membership in the Masonic Family? _____

If so, specify _____

Do you know of any moral, mental, physical, or legal reason why you should not become a Freemason? _____

I have read all the questions contained in the foregoing petition, and all the answers thereto are in my own handwriting.

Dated at _____ this _____ day of _____ A. D. _____

Res. Phone _____ Bus. Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

E-Mail _____

(Sign all names in full)