



TO THE WORSHIPFUL MASTER, WARDENS AND BRETHREN OF

LODGE NO. OF RHODE ISLAND

You declare that you are not an atheist. You support the laws of the country in which you live. That the answers to the questions herein contained are true to the best of your knowledge and belief. In addition, if you become a Freemason, you will live uprightly before all men.

PRINT Full Name: (First, Middle, Last)

Current Address:

Address City State Zip

Email: Home Phone:

Cell Phone: Years at Current Address: If Less Than 2, give

Previous Address:

Date of Birth: Current Age: Place of Birth:

Mo Day Year

Citizen of US If Yes, Native Born or Naturalized

Occupation: Employer:

Address: Work Phone:

Previous Employer if less than 5 years:

Married? If Yes, do you live with your wife? Wife's Name:

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

If yes, explain:

Education:

High School/Graduate/Year College/Graduate/Year

Have you previously made application to this or any other Lodge? If yes, provide the Lodge Name and Address

and when applied:

Are you a member of DeMolay?

What Chapter City State

Military Service:

What Branch Date

Have you ever plead guilty or been convicted of any crime? If yes, explain:

Applicant is subject to a Background Check to be conducted by the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island and will be charged a NON-REFUNDABLE sum of \$ Make check out to the Lodge stated above

PREAMBLE

Before you offer yourself as a Candidate for Freemasonry, it is deemed advisable that you should be informed, to some extent, as to the purposes of this Institution. Primarily, Freemasonry requires a belief in Deity, for no atheist may become a Mason. It also requires a clean moral life, for a Mason must also be a good citizen. Freemasonry strives to teach a man the duty he owes to God, his country, his neighbor and himself. It inculcates the practice of every virtue and makes an extensive use of symbolism in its teachings. It does not interfere with religion or politics and will not countenance any argument or contention within the Lodge in connection with an attempt to influence the religious or political beliefs of any person. Freemasonry is distinctly fraternal. This fact cannot be too strongly emphasized. There are no sick or death benefits or other emoluments associated with lodge membership. Freemasonry affords and opportunity to study the fundamental principles of a useful life, to unite with other men for service to mankind an particularly for service to his brother Masons. To membership in the society are attached certain duties and obligations including the investigation of new applicants, assistance in teaching the candidates our Masonic principles, living a life consistent with being a helpful citizen, neighbor and friend, and a devotion to the welfare of other Masons who may require a friendly visit or helping hand. Unless there now dwells in your heart a devoted belief in the universal promotion of the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man and in addition you desire to engage actively in its promotion with a spirit of helpfulness to your fellow man, you should not apply for membership in a Masonic Lodge.

I have read the above statement and I am in sympathy with the ideas there set forth therein and desire to serve with others in their promotion.

SIGNATURE OF PETITIONER: DATE:

