

## **APPLICATION FOR DEGREES**



Phone:

(Applicant must complete in his own handwriting – Print legibly)

I ("Applicant") hereby apply for membership in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Free & Accepted Masons of the State of Hawaii (the "Lodge"). I fully understand everything in this application, and I declare, upon my honor, that all my statements and responses herein are true and correct. I agree that the information in this application may be read to and investigated by members of the Lodge and those appointed by the Lodge Master, and I authorize the use of such information for such investigation. (My Social Security No. will be obliterated from this form upon final disposition of my application.) 1. Full name (last, first, middle):SSN Birth date: Age (at last birthday): Birth place: 2. Wife's name: Children/ages: 3. Current residence (no./street/apt., city, state): 4. 5. Prior residences (place, date) past 15 years: 6. Work address (no./street/ofc., city, state): Phone: (res)(wk)(cell)Email 7. State explicitly your business/occupation/employment, places and dates for past 15 years: 8. 9. For at least six (6) full months immediately preceding this application have you been a Hawaii resident or a member of the U.S. military assigned to a unit or vessel located or home-ported in Hawaii? If any prior Masonic application, when, where, outcome? 10. Do you believe in a Supreme Being and an afterlife? . Do you have any physical or mental impairment which 11. would prevent you from learning and practicing the principles of Freemasonry or which would create a burden on the Lodge? . If yes, explain Have you ever been convicted of a felony or a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude, without being pardoned or 12. having the conviction vacated (*if yes, explain*)? Date: **Applicant's signature** (full name): **RECOMMENDERS.** Upon our honor as Masons, we declare that we: (a) are Lodge members in good standing; (b) personally know the Applicant; and (c) have made careful investigation to ascertain if he is worthy. In our opinion, we have strong reasons to believe the Applicant is of good moral character and possesses the positive qualifications which will ultimately bring honor to the fraternity, and we therefore recommend him for membership. Recommender #1: (Sign) (Print) Date: Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Residence address: Business address: Phone: Date: (Print)\_\_\_\_\_ Recommender #2: (Sign) Phone: Residence address: Business address: Phone: Relationship: Date: Reference #1: (Print) Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Residence address: Business address: Phone: Reference #2: (*Print*) Relationship: Date: Phone:\_\_\_\_\_ Residence address:

Business address:

## INFORMATION ABOUT APPLYING FOR MEMBERSHIP

Here are a few things you should know about Freemasonry. First, there is nothing mysterious or exotic about our organization. It is an ancient fraternity which promotes ideals that are entirely consistent with a man's civil, moral and religious duties. Although we have confidential signs and passwords by which we recognize each other, we are not a secret society.

Masonry does not support any particular religion or political position. It is based on the great principles of belief in God and the brotherhood of Man. We believe that we owe to God, our neighbors, and ourselves a duty to practice virtue in our daily lives. We have adopted the "working tools" of a stonemason and other symbols to demonstrate these principles.

Seeking admission must not be motivated by mercenary or other unworthy motives. You should not enter our ranks in the hope or expectation that you will derive any financial or material benefit. The aim of our Order is to cultivate brotherly friendship, and a willingness to assist our members, their families and the community around us. We also promote truth, honesty, fair dealing, and equality among all men. Finally, good citizenship is an essential quality of Masonic character, and we accept only those who cheerfully obey every lawful authority.

Your admission to our Craft will entail certain financial obligations which you must be able to discharge without detriment to yourself or family. In addition to your initiation fees *(see below)*, there will be annual dues payable after you become a Master Mason, and from to time to time you may be called upon to contribute for the relief work connected with the Craft.

There are three Degrees in Masonry, which will be conferred in successive order. To advance to the  $2^{nd}$  and  $3^{rd}$  Degrees, you must pass a simple exam demonstrating your proficiency in the preceding Degree. If you do not complete your  $2^{nd}$  Degree exam and present yourself for the  $3^{rd}$  Degree within three years after initiation, your initiation fees may be forfeited.

Freemasonry has in all ages insisted that men should come to its doors entirely of their own free will, and not as a result of solicitations or from feelings of curiosity, but simply from a favorable opinion of the Institution, a desire for knowledge, and a charitable disposition. You should submit your application only if you completely understand the foregoing information.

APPLICATION SUMMARY		
Full name:		
Birth date:Age:		
Birth place:		
Residence:		
Business/occupation:		
Work place:		
Recommended by:		
#1		
#2		
Refers to:		
#1		
#2		

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DATES FOR THE RECORD		
Application received		
Fees for Degrees	\$	
Grand Lodge fees	\$	
TOTAL INITIATION FEES DUE \$(Fees must accompany Application)		
Application read in Lodge		
Applicant accepted	rejected	
Applicant notified		
Initiated	_1 <sup>sto</sup> exam	
Passed	2 <sup>ndo</sup> exam	
Raised	_Bylaws	
Added to mailing list		
3 <sup>rdo</sup> exam	Card	

Approved: Grand Master 9-1-2008