



SCOTTISH RITE VALLEY OF SOUTHERN ILLINOIS

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APPLICATION FOR DEGREES

To the Officers and Members of the Scottish Rite Bodies sitting in the Valley of Southern Illinois:

I _____ (please print full name) the undersigned hereof, respectfully show that I am desirous of being admitted as a member in the Valley of Southern Illinois and request that I may be received among you, and that I will ever pray for the prosperity and glory of the Fraternity and the welfare of the Brethren.

On my honor, I hereby CERTIFY that the following information about me is, and my answers to the following questions are, true and correct:

(PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT IN INK)

A. Full Legal Name (No Initials) _____
FIRST MIDDLE (No Initials) LAST SUFFIX

B. Date of Birth: _____ Place of Birth: City _____ State _____

C. Place of Residence: Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone Number: Home _____ Cell _____

Lived at this address for _____ Email _____

D. Occupation Retired _____ Yes No

E. Spouse's name _____ Spouse's Email: _____

F. Have you, at any previous time, petitioned for any Scottish Rite Degrees in this or any other Valley? Yes No

If Yes, to which Valley _____, in what year _____ and were you elected to receive the Degrees _____

G. Raised a Master Mason (3°) in the year of _____, in _____ Lodge # _____ A.F. & A.M. in the

City of _____ in the State of _____

H. Presently a Master Mason (3°) in good standing of _____ Lodge # _____ A.F. & A.M. in the

City of _____ the State of _____ Grand Lodge # _____

E. Are you presently on Active Duty with the Armed Forces of the United States of America? _____

If yes, what is your present legal voting address? Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

F. Did you serve in the Military? Branch of Service _____ Start Date _____

Discharge Date _____ Discharge type _____

(PLEASE SEE THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS APPLICATION)

In making and signing this application, I promise as a Master Mason, should I be elected and become a member of your Honorable Bodies, I subscribe to the following:

OATH OF FEALTY:

"I, the undersigned, do hereby promise on my word of honor, and swear true faith, allegiance and fealty to the Supreme Council of Sovereign Grand Inspectors General of the Thirty-third and Last Degree of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States of America, sitting at its Grand East in the town of Lexington, Massachusetts, and will support and abide by its Constitutions, Orders and Decrees.

That I will hold allegiance to the said Supreme Council and be loyal thereto, as the supreme authority of the Rite; will hold illegal and spurious every other body that may be established within its Jurisdiction, claiming to be a Supreme Council to which said Supreme Council has not extended due recognition as such; and every other Body of said Rite within the same Jurisdiction that does not hold its powers from said Supreme Council, or from a Supreme Council recognized by it, and will hold no communication whatever in Scottish Rite Masonry with any member of the same nor allow him to visit any Body of the Rite of which I may be a member; and I will dispense justice to my brethren according to the laws of equity and honor.

And should I violate this, my solemn vow and pledge, I consent to be expelled from the Scottish Rite Masonry, and all rights therein and in any Body if the Rite, and to be denounced to every Body of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite in the world as a traitor and forsworn."

"And may God aid me to keep and perform the same. Amen"

Date of this Application _____ Signed _____

Signature of Applicant

INSTRUCTIONS AND CONDITIONS

1. The Initiation Fee is determined by the Executive Board. A deposit of at least \$50.00 must be paid before this Application is acted upon and must accompany this Application. The balance must be paid in full on or before the first day of the Reunion before the Applicant receives any Degrees. Initiation Fee and Dues are \$175.00.
2. The Applicant must present himself for initiation at a Reunion within two (2) years of his election or he must request and be granted an extension. If he fails, \$25.00 of his deposit shall be retained by the VALLEY OF SOUTHERN ILLINOIS and the balance shall be refunded to him.
3. The Annual Dues, including the Supreme Council And IL. Council of Deliberation Assessments, are due and payable on August 1st of each year (dues period runs from August 1st to July 31st). Dues are \$105.00.
4. DEADLINES FOR FILING APPLICATION FOR DEGREES WITH SECRETARY OF SCOTTISH RITE BODIES:
 - A. The general deadline for filing with the Scottish Rite Secretary is fourteen (14) days prior to the day of the Reunion.
 - B. However, if the Applicant belongs to an Illinois Masonic Lodge, please bring in Blue Lodge Card with you to Reunion.

Each of the undersigned, a member in good standing of the Scottish Rite Masonic Bodies of the Valley of Southern Illinois, Certifies that he has read the above and foregoing Application, believes the statements made therein by the Applicant to be true and correct, personally knows the Applicant, personally knows the Applicant to be a Freemason in good standing and believes the Applicant to possess sufficient mental, moral and spiritual capacity and attributes to practice and hold high the ideals of the Scottish Rite and does hereby RECOMMEND the Applicant for membership.

PLEASE PRINT

Name 1) _____ Membership Number on dues card _____

Name 2) _____ Membership Number on dues card _____

Return application and fees to the Scottish Rite address on the front of this page.

FOR USE OF THE SCOTTISH RITE OFFICE

Payment: _____ Cash _____ Check _____ Credit Card

Date Petition Received: _____ Amount: \$ _____

Balance Due: _____