

PETITION FOR A NEW LODGE

To the M.W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, A.F. & A.M. of Idaho:

We the undersigned Master Masons in good standing, having the prosperity of the Craft at heart, are anxious to exert our best endeavors to promote and diffuse the genuine principles of Freemasonry; and that fuller opportunity for the same may be afforded us, are desirous of forming a new Lodge at _____ in the county of _____ and State of Idaho, to be named _____.

The Brother named herein for Master is competent to open and close a Lodge in the degrees of Entered Apprentice, Fellowcraft, and Master Mason, and to confer each of the said degrees, according to the forms required by the Grand Lodge of Idaho, correctly and in full. A certificate from _____ Lodge No. _____, the nearest chartered Lodge, accompanies this petition. Said Brother is otherwise well qualified to discharge the duties of his station, as shown by the accompanying Certificate of Proficiency issued by the R.W. Grand Secretary of Idaho.

We have also procured a suitable and safe room wherein to practice Masonic Rites, with convenient ante rooms connected therewith, a plat and description of which, together with a statement of the ownership, use and occupancy of the building in which the same is situated, accompanies this petition.

The material in the (City, County, State) where the said Lodge is proposed to be located is amply sufficient to build up and sustain a healthy and reputable Lodge, respectable both in character and in numbers, and no other Lodge will be materially injured by the contemplated new Lodge.

The population of said _____ is _____ as shown by the latest official enumeration, and the number of Lodges now established in said county of _____ is _____.

We therefore, with the approbation and recommendation of _____ Lodge No. _____, located at _____, in the county of _____, which is the nearest chartered Lodge, and situated _____ miles from our proposed location, respectfully pray for a dispensation empowering us to meet as a regular Lodge at _____ aforesaid, there to practice the Rites of Freemasonry in a constitutional manner, "with power to make Masons and receive members by affiliation," agreeable to the original forms of the fraternity and the laws of the Grand Lodge.

We do nominate and recommend Brother _____ to be the first Worshipful Master, Brother _____ to be the first Senior Warden, and Brother _____ to be the first Junior Warden.

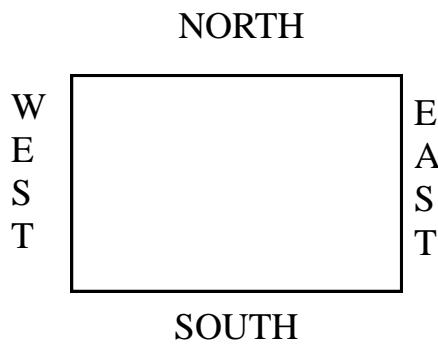
The prayer of this petition being granted, we promise a strict obedience to the commands of the Grand Master and to the laws and regulations of the Grand Lodge.

Dated _____, A.D. 20__, A.L. 60__.

SIGNATURES	NAME OF LODGE	NO.	LOCATION

This petition must be signed by at least fifteen Master Masons in good standing, and be delivered or mailed to the Grand Secretary, who shall present it to the Grand Master. Each petitioner shall file with the petition for dispensation a certificate showing his good standing in, or a demit or its equivalent from a regular Lodge; and the fee for the dispensation (one hundred dollars) must accompany the petition.

DIAGRAM SHOWING LODGE AND ANTE-ROOMS, WITH STATEMENT OF OWNERSHIP, USE AND OCCUPANCY



DESCRIPTION OF LODGE HALL

QUESTIONS	ANSWERS
1. Is the house of wood, stone or brick?	1.
2. How many stories high?	2.
3. In what story is the proposed Lodge to meet?	3.
4. Are the walls solid or studded?	4.
5. Are the floors deafened?	5.
6. Does the Lodge room adjoin any other room?	6.
7. If so are the partition walls solid or studded?	7.
8. What is the male adult population of the jurisdiction over which the proposed Lodge will have control?	8.
9. If not adjoining, how far from any other building?	9.
10. How many ante-rooms?	10.
11. How Large?	11.
12. How is the hall reached?	12.
13. Are the windows safe from outside view?	13.
14. What is the size of the main hall?	14.
15. How is it to be furnished, and at what cost?	15.

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| 16. How does the main hall stand as to directions of the compass? | 16. |
| 17. Do you propose to occupy the hall yourselves, or jointly with some other Masonic body or bodies or other society; and if jointly with whom. | 17. |
| 18. How much money has been raised towards furnishing the hall and carrying on the Lodge, without reference to prospective petitions? | 18. |
| 19. Do you propose to own or rent the hall? | 19. |
| 20. Have you incurred any debt in starting the Lodge, and if so, how much and for what? | 20. |

(Here may follow any additional descriptions deemed necessary or proper.)