



## Petition for the Degrees of Masonry

### Grand Lodge of Free & Accepted Masons of Alaska

#### Preliminary Statement concerning Freemasonry

*(To Petitioner: read this statement before signing the Petition, then detach this page and keep in your possession. A place is provided at the bottom to record the name of the Lodge to which you have submitted the Petition and the name of a member as a contact while action is being taken on your Petition.)*

Having expressed a desire to become a Freemason, we presume you have thoroughly considered the step you propose to take. The exact nature of our Institution being unknown to you, we consider it advisable that you should be informed on certain points, the knowledge of which might affect your decision to apply for membership.

Freemasonry strives to teach a man the duties he owes to God, his neighbor, and himself. It has for its foundation the great basic principles of the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man and requires a belief in the immortality of the Soul. It interferes neither with religion or politics. Admission to the Institution must not be sought from mercenary or other unworthy motives, nor from hope of personal gain or advancement. Anyone so actuated will be disappointed, and in all friendship we warn you.

Freemasonry is not a benefit society. We do not subscribe so much a year to entitle us to draw financial relief, or to make provisions for those we leave behind or to admit us to a Masonic Home. Its charity is intended for those who, through no fault of their own, have met with misfortune.

Freemasonry has in all ages insisted that men shall come to its door entirely of their own free will; not as the result of solicitation; not from feelings of curiosity; but from a favorable opinion of the Institution and a desire to be ranked among its members.

We think it is advisable to inform you that should you be admitted it will entail certain financial obligations, which you should be able to afford without detriment to yourself or those dependent on you. In addition to the fees payable with your Petition, there will be an annual subscription for the support of your Lodge, as provided in the Bylaws.

We trust you will consider these statements in the same spirit of honesty and friendship in which they have been presented. It is of the utmost importance to you as well as to Freemasonry that the motives and ideals governing your life are in substantial accord therewith.

**Tanana Lodge No. 3**  
**PO Box 70170**  
**Fairbanks, Alaska**  
**99707**

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Member to contact

Phone



DO YOU UPON YOUR HONOR DECLARE ALL THESE STATEMENTS TO BE TRUE? \_\_\_\_\_

Signature in Full \_\_\_\_\_

**DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE**

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**RECOMMENDATIONS**

We as Master Masons and members of the Lodge named herein, do solemnly declare that we have known this applicant personally. From our personal knowledge of him, we have strong reasons to believe that, if elected, he will be a credit to our institution.

1. Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Print name \_\_\_\_\_

2. Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Print name \_\_\_\_\_

3. Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Print name \_\_\_\_\_

**Investigating Committee**

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

**FEES**

Lodge	\$ 325.00	_____
Grand Lodge	\$ 50.00	_____
Washington Memorial Contr.	\$ 5.00	_____
TOTAL	\$ 380.00	_____

**DATES OF**

Reception \_\_\_\_\_

Balloting \_\_\_\_\_

Result of Ballot \_\_\_\_\_

Petitioner notified \_\_\_\_\_

Initiation \_\_\_\_\_

Passing \_\_\_\_\_

Raising \_\_\_\_\_

MM Proficiency \_\_\_\_\_

Signed Bylaws \_\_\_\_\_

If petition was declined, date  
refund was made \_\_\_\_\_

Check number \_\_\_\_\_