



# INVESTIGATION ON PETITION FOR AFFILIATION OR PLURAL MEMBERSHIP Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of New Mexico

## REFERRAL TO THE COMMITTEE ON INVESTIGATION

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To Brother \_\_\_\_\_, Chairman

*(Printed Name)*

\_\_\_\_\_

*(Printed Name)*

\_\_\_\_\_

*(Printed Name)*

You are directed to thoroughly investigate the character of the applicant and reply to the questions below.

Referred to the committee by order of the Worshipful Master of \_\_\_\_\_ Lodge No. \_\_\_\_\_

on \_\_\_\_\_

*(Date)*

\_\_\_\_\_

*(Secretary)*

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON INVESTIGATION

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The committee should contact a representative of the current or last Lodge of membership and develop other character references as deemed appropriate.

### Qualifications:

1. Is the petitioner from a Lodge working under a Grand Lodge recognized by the Grand Lodge of New Mexico? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Is the petition accompanied by a current Certificate of Good Standing, valid demit, or similar document? \_\_\_\_\_  
*(New Mexico Masons applying for plural membership may use current dues card.)*
3. Is the committee satisfied that the petitioner is a Master Mason in good standing? \_\_\_\_\_

### Investigation:

4. Did you interview the petitioner in-person? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Is the petitioner a Brother with whom the committee and others would willingly associate? \_\_\_\_\_
6. Provide any other pertinent comments that may be essential: \_\_\_\_\_  
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## RECOMMENDATION OF COMMITTEE ON INVESTIGATION

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We declare on our Masonic honor that we have investigated the petition of Brother \_\_\_\_\_,

and find that his reputation, standing and character are such as will / will not warrant his acceptance.

*(Select One)*

Chairman \_\_\_\_\_

*(Signature)*

Dated \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

*(Signature)*

\_\_\_\_\_

*(Signature)*

**Masonic Affiliation Record of:**

Brother \_\_\_\_\_  
(Full Name)  
of \_\_\_\_\_ Lodge No. \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_, New Mexico.

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**RECEIPT AND REFERRAL**

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Petition received by the Secretary \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

Petition Certified by the Grand Secretary (if required) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

Referred to committee at a communication on \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

Balloted on at a regular communication, at least 28 days after being referred to committee \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

The petitioner was  accepted  rejected.

Grand Lodge Data Base Updated (if accepted) \_\_\_\_\_ Member ID \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date) (Grand Lodge Number)

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**NOTES FOR THE SECRETARY**

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- After the Brother is accepted for membership by the Lodge, the Secretary, or an assistant, must update the Grand Lodge data base with the complete Masonic record. The record must include the degree dates, other Lodge(s) of membership and periods of suspension, etc.
- When updating the Grand Lodge database, the Lodge Secretary should audit the Brother's Masonic record for accuracy. All data should be based on actual records.
- If the petitioner is from another Grand Jurisdiction, the Grand Secretary must be notified of the Brother's acceptance. The Request for Demit (for affiliation only) must be completed and included in the notification. The Grand Secretary will forward the notification to the affected Grand Lodge.
- If the petitioner is a member of a New Mexico Lodge(s), the Secretary must notify the affected Lodge(s) directly.
- The petition and related documentation are the permanent record of the Lodge.