

**Proposal for Membership**  
**Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America**

**Proposer: I** \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Name of Proposer) (Membership No.) (Signature of Proposer)  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Plus 4)  
 E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Proposes:**

_____ (_____) (M) (F) Legal name of applicant (Maiden) (circle one)	_____ Occupation
_____ Name of spouse	_____ Business name
_____ Home address city, state & zip	_____ Business address city, state & zip
_____ Personal telephone number E-mail	_____ Business telephone E-mail



**To Be Answered by the Applicant**

— PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE —



- Applicant was born in the city of: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_  
 State: \_\_\_\_\_ Month: \_\_\_\_\_ Day: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_
- Do you believe in God and are you willing to attest to that belief? \_\_\_\_\_
- Are you a citizen of the United States of America? \_\_\_\_\_
- If foreign born, when and where were your final naturalization papers issued:  
 Month: \_\_\_\_\_ Day: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_ at: \_\_\_\_\_
- Are you willing to assume an obligation that:  
 (a) Will not conflict with your duties to yourself, or your family, or your religious or political opinions, and that  
 (b) Will bind you to uphold the Constitution and laws of the United States of America? \_\_\_\_\_
- Are you now a member of or directly or indirectly participating in the activities of any group or organization, or supporting or adhering to beliefs or tenets advocating the overthrow of the Government of the United States or any of its political subdivisions by force or violence? \_\_\_\_\_
- Have you ever pled guilty or no contest to, or been convicted of, a felony or crime of moral turpitude? \_\_\_\_\_
- (a) Have you ever served in the armed forces of the United States of America? \_\_\_\_\_  
 (b) If yes, state the type of discharge and branch of service: \_\_\_\_\_
- (a) Have you ever been proposed for membership in any Elks Lodge? \_\_\_\_\_  
 (b) If yes, Lodge: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Result: \_\_\_\_\_
- Have you been a bona fide resident within the jurisdiction of this Lodge immediately preceding the date of this application? \_\_\_\_\_
- (a) Provide two references other than the Proposer. All must be Members of the Order. (Fill out form on back panel.)  
 (b) List all places of residence and your occupation for the 5 years preceding the date of this application if different from the address and/or occupation given on reverse side. (Fill out form on back panel.)

**EXCERPTS FROM LAWS OF THE ORDER**

The Lodge Dues are per annum and may be paid semi-annually in advance of April 1st and October 1st of each year or annually in advance on April 1st of each year, as provided in the By-Laws of the Lodge. An Applicant rejected must wait six months before reapplying for membership. Rejected Applicants shall have their Initiation Fees returned to them by the Lodge.

Should a Candidate fail, without good cause, to appear for Initiation within four months from the date of the Candidate's election, the Exalted Ruler shall declare the Candidate's right to Initiation (under such application and ballot) and also the Candidate's Initiation Fee forfeited.

I understand that this application must be fully completed and accompanied by an initiation fee of \$ \_\_\_\_\_. I further understand that pro-rata membership dues, for the current year, must be paid at the time of initiation.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 (Signature of Applicant) (Date)



**[APPLICANT]**

Check the Committee Preferences from the lists below:

**CIVIC/COMMUNITY**

- Americanism \_\_\_\_\_ State Major Project \_\_\_\_\_
- Blood Drives \_\_\_\_\_ Law and Order \_\_\_\_\_
- Boy/Girl Scouts \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- Charity \_\_\_\_\_ Scholarship \_\_\_\_\_
- Community Affairs \_\_\_\_\_ Summer Camps \_\_\_\_\_
- Community Welfare \_\_\_\_\_ Veterans Services \_\_\_\_\_
- Drug Awareness \_\_\_\_\_ Youth Activities \_\_\_\_\_
- Elks Hospitals/Clinics \_\_\_\_\_ Youth Sports \_\_\_\_\_
- Essay/Poster Contests \_\_\_\_\_

**LODGE ACTIVITIES**

- Auditing/Financial \_\_\_\_\_ Games \_\_\_\_\_
  - Bingo \_\_\_\_\_ Greeter \_\_\_\_\_
  - Breakfast/Dinners \_\_\_\_\_ Lodge Bulletin \_\_\_\_\_
  - Bridge/Card Clubs \_\_\_\_\_ Lodge Visitation \_\_\_\_\_
  - Building Maintenance \_\_\_\_\_ Membership \_\_\_\_\_
  - Bus/Boat Trips \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_
  - Charity Fund-Raising \_\_\_\_\_ Parties/Dances \_\_\_\_\_
  - Conventions \_\_\_\_\_ Photography \_\_\_\_\_
  - Decorations \_\_\_\_\_ Public Relations \_\_\_\_\_
  - Entertainment \_\_\_\_\_ State Major Project \_\_\_\_\_
  - Elks National Foundation \_\_\_\_\_ Team Sports \_\_\_\_\_
  - Family Activities \_\_\_\_\_ Visitation of Sick \_\_\_\_\_
- I would be interested in serving as an Officer of the Lodge (Yes/No) \_\_\_\_\_

**[PROPOSER]**

I understand that standards for becoming a Member of the Order of Elks are high, that membership is attained by invitation only, and is limited to persons of good moral character who believe in God.

In proposing this applicant for membership, I attest that I have known the applicant for \_\_\_\_\_ (Months/Years), that he/she is morally, socially and financially responsible; and, in my opinion, will become an active Member who supports our beliefs.

In the event that the applicant is approved and accepted, I pledge my personal interest to his/her development and progress in becoming an active Member who exemplifies the principles of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
 Membership Number \_\_\_\_\_ (Date) \_\_\_\_\_

**[PROPOSER REFERENCES]**

11A) Provide two references other than the Proposer. All must be Members of the Order.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Membership No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Lodge Name & No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Home Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Business Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name \_\_\_\_\_ Membership No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Lodge Name & No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Home Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Business Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

11B) List all places of residence and your occupation for the 5 years preceding the date of this application if different from the address and/or occupation given on reverse side.

**Place of Residence:**  
 Date (Established/Changed): \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_  
**Place of Residence:**  
 Date (Established/Changed): \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

**APPLICATION PROCESSING RECORD**

**Committee on Membership Recommendation**

The undersigned Committee on Membership reviewed the application of \_\_\_\_\_ for membership in the BPO Elks USA (Date) \_\_\_\_\_ and found:  
 Favorably: \_\_\_\_\_ Unfavorably: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signatures of Committee Members: \_\_\_\_\_

**To be completed by the Lodge Secretary**

Result of Ballot by the Lodge: Accepted \_\_\_\_\_ Rejected \_\_\_\_\_

Action	Date
Application Received	
Initiation Fee Paid (\$ _____)	
Read on the Lodge Floor	
Balloting on Candidate by Lodge	
Applicant Notified of Result of Balloting	
Indoctrination	
Prorated Dues Paid (\$ _____)	
Initiated	
Membership Number Assigned	
Member Information Entered in CLMS	

**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

An Invitation to Join the  
 Benevolent and Protective  
 Order of Elks of the  
 United States of America



“Elks Care — Elks Share”