

## **KU KLUX KLAN DOCUMENTS**

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To be Instituted at \_\_\_\_\_  
 State of \_\_\_\_\_, Date. \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_  
 Received in trust for the  
 KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (INC.)  
 By Kl. \_\_\_\_\_  
K. O. I. E.

## Petition for Citizenship in the Invisible Empire

### KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

To His Excellency, the Exalted Cyclops of \_\_\_\_\_ Klan No. \_\_\_\_\_

Realm of \_\_\_\_\_

I, the undersigned, an aspirant to Citizenship in the Invisible Empire, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, most respectfully and humbly pray Your Excellency to receive this petition made by one who desires that which is high and noble for himself and humanity.

I solemnly declare, assert and affirm on oath, that I have never been banished from nor denied citizenship in the Invisible Empire, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. I have never committed the crime of treason, rape nor willful murder. I am a native born American citizen and owe no allegiance of any nature, either of church or of state, to any foreign nation, government or ruler. I am a white Gentile and a man of good morals and of respectable vocation, nor do I expect to engage in any occupation not sanctioned by law or respected of decent society.

In order to prove my worthiness to receive and bear the exalted honor which I eagerly crave and which Your Excellency alone can confer, I most faithfully and seriously pledge myself to be tested and tried; I am ready and willing to undergo any test and endure any ordeal which Your Excellency may impose, and if I should prove the coward, falter or fail in any test or trial, I will readily and willingly accept as my portion a deportation from the portal of the Invisible Empire.

I sacredly pledge a gentleman's respect for Your Excellency's ceremony and will not fail in rendering respectful obedience to all laws, regulations, and requirements, and a sincere fidelity to the constitution of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

Grant me, an humble aspirant for all things noble, an opportunity to prove myself worthy of every honorable duty and every sacred trust, and Your Excellency will never have cause to regret the granting.

Date \_\_\_\_\_, 19 \_\_\_\_\_ Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Witness: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

Klansman \_\_\_\_\_ Night-Hawk. State \_\_\_\_\_