

## Instructions for Completion of Application for Membership

Please read these instructions before completing our application. Though it is easy to complete, it is unusual and failure to complete it properly will result in delay or rejection of your application.

This is a form-fill **TAB-and-TYPE WORD** application. It works with all versions of Microsoft WORD, beginning with the 1997 version.

First, DOWNLOAD the application ONTO your computer, and rename the file to something you will remember. DO NOT attempt to complete it in your email box or in your server, as the file will read only as a Restricted/Read-Only file.

Note: *In order to qualify for membership*, you MUST have an American immigrant ancestor who is *at least* six generations behind you. This means, *at least* your 4<sup>th</sup> great-grandparent. For most people, this will be someone born in the late 1700s to early 1800s. An *American immigrant ancestor* is defined as being a person who was born outside of the present-day contiguous United States and immigrated, settling anywhere within the present-day contiguous United States.

The first four lines are obvious, but put your ENTIRE name on the first line – *first, middle, maiden, and last*. This information is for our records so we can keep track of you more easily – especially if you move at some point.

In the next section (3 lines), input your IMMIGRANT ancestor, birth date (or approximate, if the exact date is not known), place of birth (or where he or she purportedly is from if his birthplace is not known), the town and state/colony where the ancestor settled **last**.

The next line is for you to select the type of membership for which you are applying. During our FOUNDING period, you will select the FOUNDING Category, as well as whatever others may qualify you. You may choose ALSO to select the NOBLE and ROYAL categories *only if* you are joining through an American Gateway Ancestor. A Gateway Ancestor is an IMMIGRANT who has provable royal descent. He or she therefore is YOUR Gateway to royalty. A list of the acceptable Gateway ancestors is on our website.

For your additional assistance, NOBLES are any of the following: Knights, Baronets, Barons, Counts, Earls, Viscounts, Dukes. ROYALS are Princes, Kings, Emperors. The female counterparts are also nobles or royals, as appropriate. If you are joining through a King/Queen, Prince(ss), or Emperor/Empress, select **ALL THREE** categories.

**RECORD COPIES:** A RECORD COPY is an application that was *proven from start to finish* using standard genealogical evidentiary documents, and which bears the signature of the approving officer(s), date of approval, and membership number. Applications that rely on another society's application *are not* Record Copies; they are FILE COPIES. *No other applications will be considered in lieu of the Record Copy requirement.* This means you *may not* use a copy of your submitted application plus your membership certificate. We need to see the markings and comments of the genealogist who reviewed your application. Additionally, your Record Copy(ies) must include **AT LEAST all of the generations** from you to the ancestor you

are choosing to join THIS society. There may be more generations on your Record Copy(ies) than you require.

**USE OF RECORD COPIES:** There are two lines for inputting Record Copy references. We realize a Record Copy to a Noble may not also include your lineage to a King. In such instances, two Record Copies may be necessary to document your full lineage. (*For example: your first Record Copy may contain your lineage back to a Magna Charta baron, but you wish to continue to a King. You may have to branch off from your first Record Copy onto another Record Copy to complete the lineage.*) Note, however, that the first Record Copy MUST take your lineage back to ***at least*** your Qualifying American Ancestor (your Immigrant Ancestor). It may document more generations beyond as well. The second Record Copy, then, MUST connect to the first one, and must complete the lineage to either the Noble or the King. If your first Record Copy contains your lineage from you to your King, then you need only submit that one to support your entire lineage. **You may only claim what you prove. The Genealogist will not extend your ancestry for you.**

The Genealogical Table on page 2 begins with your personal genealogical information. The entire block is self explanatory. Complete it with your FULL maiden name (no initials) if applicable. Include COMPLETE dates. Include FULL places – city, county, ST, thusly: Bismarck, Burleigh Co., ND.

At generations 2-50: Input ONLY THE NAMES of the husband and wife in EACH generation from YOUR PARENTS to your QUALIFYING ANCESTOR (the Ancestor at the end of your lineage that qualifies you for Founding, Noble, or Royal membership). The husband's name should always be on the left, and wife's name always on the right. There may be more generations than are needed on pages 2 and 3. Again, input FULL names that are PROVEN. These names should match your Record Copy(ies). Note: NO ONE is born a "Sr." Don't use it.

### **Submission of your Application**

When you have completed your application, print it double-sided, sign it, and date it. Place it in a 9x12 flat envelope, together with your checks (see payment details next), AND your Record Copy(ies) on which you are relying. Mail your package to the Genealogist at:

Cheryl W. Rios  
2024 Greenway Crossing Drive  
Haslet, TX 76052

If you have questions, email the Genealogist at [cheryldar@hotmail.com](mailto:cheryldar@hotmail.com).

### **Payment Details**

Two checks should be submitted covering your membership application fees and registration:

- 1) One check in the amount of \$350, payable to "IGHC" (or International Genealogical and Historical College").
- 2) One check in the amount of \$50, payable to "Cheryl W. Rios."

**List of Acceptable Record Copy Applications**

**Record Copies** (as defined above) from the following societies usually will be accepted, noting exceptions within the list:

Associated Daughters of Early American Witches  
Baronial Order of the Magna Carta  
Colonial Dames of America  
Daughters of the Cincinnati  
Descendants of the Illegitimate Sons and Daughters of the Kings of Britain  
Descendants of the Knights of the Bath  
Flagon & Trencher: Descendants of Colonial Tavernkeepers  
General Society of Colonial Wars  
General Society of Mayflower Descendants  
Hereditary Order of Descendants of Colonial Governors  
Jamestowne Society  
Military Order of the Crusades  
National Society Americans of Royal Descent  
National Society Colonial Dames XVII Century<sup>1</sup>  
National Society Colonial Daughters of the Seventeenth Century  
National Society Dames of the Court of Honor  
National Society Daughters of American Colonists  
National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (Member # 400,001 and up)  
National Society Daughters of Colonial Wars  
National Society Daughters of Founders & Patriots of America (Member # 6001 and up)  
National Society Sons of Colonial Wars  
National Society Sons of the American Revolution (Member # 150,000 and up)  
National Society of Women Descendants of the Ancient & Honorable Artillery Co. of Mass.  
Order of Americans of Armorial Ancestry  
Order of Colonial Lords of Manors in America  
Order of the Crown in America  
Order of the Crown of Charlemagne in the United States of America  
Order of Descendants of Ancient Planters  
Order of Descendants of Colonial Physicians and Chirurgiens  
Order of the First Families of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations  
Order of Founders and Patriots of America  
Order of Three Crusades 1096-1192  
Society of the Cincinnati  
Society of the Descendants of Colonial Clergy

The Genealogist reserves the right to require a different Record Copy in order to support your lineage.

Thank you for your interest in the Organization. We look forward to welcoming you and hope you will find your membership rewarding.

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<sup>1</sup> Acceptable are original membership applications. Original applications accompanied by supplementals **may** be accepted at the Genealogist's discretion. Applications focusing on heraldry **will not** be accepted.



# INTERNATIONAL GENEALOGICAL AND HISTORICAL COLLEGE (IGHC)

## Application for Membership

Member Number \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby apply for membership in the International Genealogical and Historical College.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP+4 \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

My Immigrant American Ancestor is \_\_\_\_\_ who was born on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ and settled in America in (city) \_\_\_\_\_ (state/colony) \_\_\_\_\_ in the year \_\_\_\_\_.

I am applying for membership as a:   
 *(see instructions and tick all that apply)*      Fellow      Noble Fellow      Royal Fellow

I am submitting the following Record Copy(ies) of my ancestry qualifying me for membership.   
 *(see the Instructions for eligibility clarification.)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Society (from Applicant to at least Qualifying American Ancestor)      Member Number      Approval Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Society (from Qualifying American Ancestor [or later] to Noble/Royal)      Member Number      Approval Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant      Date of Submission

Per the Instructions, all generations on this application must be part of the Record Copy application(s) being submitted to support membership in this Organization. See the definition of “Record Copy” in the Instructions, noting no exceptions will be made to this policy.

(do not write below this line)

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Date Approved \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_  
Genealogist General

Check Number \_\_\_\_\_      Amount \_\_\_\_\_

### Genealogical Table

**1.** I am \_\_\_\_\_  
 born on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  
 married on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  
 married to \_\_\_\_\_  
 born on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  
 died on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_

My line of descent from my **immigrant ancestor** is as follows *(NOTE: your IMMIGRANT ANCESTOR is your ancestor who immigrated to the United States. Your QUALIFYING ANCESTOR is the ancestor at the very END of your lineage used to qualify for membership in this Organization. That person may be a king, a noble, or merely an immigrant. In any event, give only names in each generation, men on the left; women on the right. All applicants should be able to present a complete lineage within 50 generations.)*:

2. MY PARENTS ARE: \_\_\_\_\_ m. \_\_\_\_\_

3. MY GRANDPARENTS ARE: \_\_\_\_\_ m. \_\_\_\_\_

4. (continue as immediately above): \_\_\_\_\_ m. \_\_\_\_\_

5. \_\_\_\_\_ m. \_\_\_\_\_

6. \_\_\_\_\_ m. \_\_\_\_\_

7. \_\_\_\_\_ m. \_\_\_\_\_

8. \_\_\_\_\_ m. \_\_\_\_\_

9. \_\_\_\_\_ m. \_\_\_\_\_

10. \_\_\_\_\_ m. \_\_\_\_\_

11. \_\_\_\_\_ m. \_\_\_\_\_

12. \_\_\_\_\_ m. \_\_\_\_\_

13. \_\_\_\_\_ m. \_\_\_\_\_

14. \_\_\_\_\_ m. \_\_\_\_\_

15. \_\_\_\_\_ m. \_\_\_\_\_

16. \_\_\_\_\_ m. \_\_\_\_\_

17. \_\_\_\_\_ m. \_\_\_\_\_

18. \_\_\_\_\_ m. \_\_\_\_\_

19. \_\_\_\_\_ m. \_\_\_\_\_

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23. \_\_\_\_\_ m. \_\_\_\_\_

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- 45. \_\_\_\_\_ m. \_\_\_\_\_
- 46. \_\_\_\_\_ m. \_\_\_\_\_
- 47. \_\_\_\_\_ m. \_\_\_\_\_
- 48. \_\_\_\_\_ m. \_\_\_\_\_
- 49. \_\_\_\_\_ m. \_\_\_\_\_
- 50. \_\_\_\_\_ m. \_\_\_\_\_

I am a member of the following Lineage Societies:

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I have held the following National offices in Lineage Societies:

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