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December 27, 1894

APPLICATION and  
PROOF of ELIGIBILITY for MEMBERSHIP  
in the  
**MILITARY ORDER OF FOREIGN WARS**  
OF THE UNITED STATES  
RHODE ISLAND COMMANDERY

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

To: *Members of the Council of the*

**MILITARY ORDER OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES**  
**RHODE ISLAND COMMANDERY**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby tender proof of eligibility for  **VETERAN MEMBERSHIP** in this Order, by right of active service as a veteran Commissioned Officer in the conflict of \_\_\_\_\_ from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ or for  **HEREDITARY MEMBERSHIP** as a direct lineal descendant from \_\_\_\_\_ who was born on \_\_\_\_\_ and died on \_\_\_\_\_ and served from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ Rank and Branch \_\_\_\_\_ in the conflict of \_\_\_\_\_

My birthplace: \_\_\_\_\_ birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

I am a citizen of \_\_\_\_\_

I declare upon honor and subject to perjury penalties, that with respect to the conflict designated above and on the reverse: (a) as a Candidate for Veteran Membership I performed active service as a Commissioned Officer in that conflict; I was awarded the cited decoration(s); if no longer in the service, I was honorably discharged; or (b) as a Candidate for Hereditary Membership I am a lineal descendant of the cited ancestor who served as a Commissioned Officer in that conflict and was awarded the cited decorations. I further declare on honor that, if elected to the Membership of this Order, I will endeavor to promote the purposes of its Institution, and will observe and comply with its Constitution, and By-Laws, and its Regulations concerning its distinctive Badge of Insignia, and that I will support the Constitution of the United States.

Signature of Candidate \_\_\_\_\_

(if applicable) Rank and Branch of Service \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Tel. Number \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

We, the undersigned Members, approve and recommend the foregoing Candidate for Membership in the Military Order of Foreign Wars of the United States. We accept, on his/her word, with respect to the conflicts designated on the reverse, that to the best of our knowledge and belief (a) as a Candidate for Veteran Membership, he/she served as a Commissioned Officer in that conflict, or (b) as a Candidate for Hereditary Membership, he/she is a descendant of an ancestor who served as a Commissioned Officer in that conflict. We know him/her to be worthy and will, if admitted, be a desirable Member.

Proposer \_\_\_\_\_

Seconder \_\_\_\_\_

Examined and approved (date) \_\_\_\_\_

By \_\_\_\_\_

The within named Candidate admitted by the Council (date) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary of the Rhode Island Commandery,  
Military Order of Foreign Wars of the United States

No. \_\_\_\_\_

**Military Order of Foreign Wars**

OF THE UNITED STATES

RHODE ISLAND COMMANDERY

*Proof of Eligibility for Membership of*

Rank and Branch: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

War (or Campaign or Overseas Expedition or Service)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Election: \_\_\_\_\_

My services or those of my ancestor (the latter applicable to Application for Hereditary Membership) in the Wars comprehended in the institution of the Military Order of Foreign Wars of the United States upon which my eligibility to Membership is based were as follows:

[NOTE: Here in support of your Application or for historian interest you may write rank or ranks held on active federal service in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, or Coast Guard, or of any component thereof. Cite all military medals, insignia, ribbons and other decorations you are entitled to wear. Give unit or ship, and give distinct description of the nature of service, with details as to battles, campaigns, or camp, garrison, or other duty. Mention where services are recorded, whether in appropriate Department of Defense Agencies or Department of Transportation, or in the Office of the Adjutant General of what State, or elsewhere. Give dates of graduation from service academies or colleges or universities. Give dates of entry on active duty, dates of commission; and date of final discharge or separation from active duty. Applications for Hereditary Membership should show lineage from ancestor. Photocopies of documentation of above are desirable for historical purposes but are not required.]

**ADDITIONAL FACTS**

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Incidents connected with the Applicant's life and public services, parentage, date of marriage, husband's/wife's parentage or ancestry, names of children and dates of birth, names of immigrant ancestors, date of arrival and place of settlement in America, family history or traditions, - any details likely to prove of interest to the Historian of the Order, or to the applicant's posterity, may be written here.