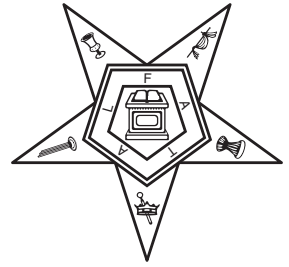


Notice of Delinquent Dues



Date: _____

From: The Office of the Secretary of
_____ Chapter No. _____

To: _____

Your dues and Grand Chapter assessments totaling \$ _____ for the years _____ remain unpaid.

Because of these outstanding dues and assessments, you will be suspended at the stated meeting of this Chapter being held on _____. To avoid suspension, you must pay the above amount at or before that meeting or give the Chapter good and satisfactory reasons for your failure to do so. *(See the excerpt from the Constitution and Laws below.)*

Please give this matter your prompt attention.

Fraternally,

Secretary's name (print)

(seal)

Address

Secretary (signature)

City

State

Zip

Phone

email

Sec. 249. **PERIOD OF DELINQUENCY.** A member who fails to pay Chapter dues or Grand Chapter annual per capita fees or special assessments for a period of six months from the close of the calendar year in which payment shall have been due, may be suspended; however, a member who fails to pay Chapter dues or Grand Chapter annual per capita fees or special assessments for a period of one year from the close of the calendar year in which payment shall have been due, shall be suspended, unless the Chapter shall, by majority vote, excuse such failure. If the Chapter suspends the member for non-payment, the Chapter shall not be required to pay such member's eastern star home assessments. While in effect, such suspension shall deprive a member of all the rights and privileges of the Order, including the right to represent herself/himself to be a member thereof, or to use or display the emblems of the Order provided that if the member has plural membership and has paid such dues and assessments to one Chapter or is a Life Member of one Chapter, but has not paid dues to or is not a Life Member of the other Chapter, he or she (as the case may be) shall be suspended from membership in the Chapter to which he or she has failed to pay dues, or is not a Life Member but shall not be deprived of any of the rights or privileges of the Order in the Chapter in which they remain in good standing. If such suspension is continued for six months, membership is thereby terminated, except for purposes of discipline, subject only to petition for reinstatement, as hereinafter provided.

Notice Before Suspension. If any member shall fail to pay such dues and/or assessments for the period hereinabove provided, the Secretary shall inform the Worthy Matron thereof, and if directed by the Worthy Matron to do so, shall notify such member, by certified

mail, requiring a return receipt, that, at the first stated meeting which comes one month or longer, thereafter, the date of which shall be given in the notice, the member will be suspended from all the rights and privileges of the Order, unless the member makes such payment or, at such meeting, shows good and satisfactory reasons for failing to do so.

Name Read and Suspension Required in Open Chapter. If such member fails to pay such dues and/or assessments by the time specified in such notice, or to furnish reasons satisfactory to the Chapter for such failure, the Secretary shall read the name of such delinquent member in open Chapter, at such stated meeting, and the Worthy Matron shall thereupon declare such member suspended. Such suspension is not thereafter subject to reconsideration.

Notice After Suspension. The Secretary shall thereupon mail such member a notice, informing him of his suspension, that such suspension is from all the rights and privileges of the Order, and that, if within six months such delinquent sums, and subsequent arrearages are not paid, he can be reinstated only by petition for reinstatement to the Chapter, as provided, in Section 250.

Dual Membership. Members who are dual members and who are suspended from the Chapter in another jurisdiction for non-payment of dues, or other cause, are automatically suspended from a Chapter in this jurisdiction; or, if suspended from a Chapter in California, the Secretary of the Chapter shall immediately advise the Secretary of the Chapter in another jurisdiction in which membership is held, of such suspension.