

INITIATION

with Shamrock Degree



Sentinel's
Folder



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1st Part

Blue is for multiple candidates -- (*Green* is for a single candidate)

*[When the Initiation Program begins, the **President** will ask the **Marshal** to report the names of all candidates awaiting initiation in the anteroom. The **President** will check with the **Recording Secretary** if they have been duly accepted. If so, the **President** instructs the **Marshal** to retire and duly interrogate those seeking admittance.]*

Marshal: *[The Marshal in the anteroom asks each candidate the following Questions:]*

“What is your name?” *[Candidates answer]*

“Are you Irish by birth, descent, or adoption?” *[Candidates answer]*

“Are you a practicing Roman Catholic?” *[Candidates answer]*

“Have you complied with your religious duties within the past year?” *[Candidates answer]*

[If the candidates answer affirmatively, the Marshal (with the assistance of escorts) will lineup the candidates. He will strike sharply three times on the door.]

Marshal: *[Strikes the door three times before entering with the **candidates** (candidate).]*

Sentinel:

“Who demands entrance to our hall?”

Marshal:

“*Men* (*A man*) of our race who *wish* (*wishes*) to enter the inner chambers of Hibernian brotherhood.”

Sentinel: *(Addresses the President)*

“The Marshal approaches with *men* (*a man*) of our race in his custody. *They ask* (*He asks*) admittance to our Order.”

President:

“If the Marshal vouches for *these men as practicing Catholics* (*this man as a practicing Catholic*) of Irish birth, descent or adoption, you may admit *them* (*him*).”

Sentinel:

“Do you vouch for *these men as practicing Catholics* (*this man as a practicing Catholic*) of Irish birth, descent or adoption?”

Marshal:

“I do.”

Sentinel: *(Opens the door and the **candidate** (candidates), led by the Marshal, march around the hall to the right while the members present rise to their feet. The Marshal places the **candidate** (candidates in a semi-circle) in front of the President’s station.)*