

**TRIAL FORM 1
THE TITLE**

In The Grand Lodge of A.F. & A.M. Of North Carolina
Docket No. _____

In the matter of charges preferred against *A. B.*
Note: The foregoing title shall be used on all documents in a case. The docket number shall be given by the Grand Secretary.

**TRIAL FORM 2
THE COMPLAINT**

Title-See Trial Form 1
To the Judge Advocate
Of The Grand Lodge of A.F. & A.M. Of North Carolina:
I hereby accuse Brother *A. B.* Of un-Masonic conduct as specified below. He is a Master Mason (or a brother whose lodge membership is unknown to the complainant) and is (or was) a member of _____ Lodge No. _____, located at _____.

Specification 1: That the said *A. B.*, on or about the _____ day of _____ 20____, in the public streets at _____ in the County of _____, NC, (he then being a member of said lodge) was in a state of intoxication from immoderate and improper use of intoxicating liquor in violation of his duty as a Mason and to the scandal and disgrace of the Masonic Fraternity.

(OR)

Specification 2: That the said *A. B.*, on or about the _____ day of _____, 20____, at _____ aforesaid, and at various other times and places in the year 20____ was intoxicated with strong and spirituous liquors, although admonished therefore by the Master of said lodge (or by any other brethren whose names may be entered here) in violation of his duty as a Mason and tot the scandal and disgrace of the Masonic Fraternity.

(OR)

Specification 3: That the said *A. B.*, on or about the _____ day of _____, 20____, at _____ in the County of _____, NC, (then being a member of said lodge) in the presence and hearing of *C. D.* And others, spoke and declared of *E. F.*, a Master Mason (or a Fellow Craft or and Entered Apprentice, as the case may be) a member

of _____ Lodge No. _____, A.F. & A.M., located at _____, NC, these words in

_____ substance: That the said E. F. was a dishonest man, a cheat, a knave, and liar, to the great injury of the said E. F. And to the common scandal and disgrace of the Masonic Fraternity.

(OR)

Specification 4: That the said A. B., on or about the _____ day of _____, 20____, at _____ in the County of _____, NC, (he then being a member of said lodge) in the presence and hearing of G. H. And others, publicly spoke and in substance declared that the said E. F., who was not present, was a dishonest man, a Knave, a cheat, and a liar, in violation of the duties of the said A. B. As a Master Mason, and to the great injury of the said E. F., and to the scandal and disgrace of the said _____ Lodge No. _____ and of the Masonic Fraternity.

(OR)

Specification 5: That the said A. B., on or about the _____ day of _____, 20____, at _____ in the County of _____, NC, did without just cause wrongfully strike G. H., a Master Mason and a member at the time of _____ Lodge No. _____ located at _____, NC, in violation of his duties as a Master Mason and to the scandal and disgrace of the Masonic Fraternity.

(OR)

Specification 6: That the said A. B. did purposely state, in substance, that he had cast (a white, or favorable ballot) (or a black, or unfavorable ballot) on the petition of Mr. _____ for the degrees in Masonry, who had been rejected at a stated communication of said _____ Lodge No. _____, holden on the _____ day of _____, 20____, and he did state the same, in substance, in the lodge room of said lodge on the _____ day of _____, 20____, and also in his place of business on the _____ day of _____, 20____.

(OR)

Specification 7: That the said A. B., on or about the _____ day of _____, 20____, at _____ in the County of _____, NC, did have illegal carnal and sexual relations with one *Jane Doe*, the daughter of a Master Mason (or other description), whose true

name will be disclosed to the said *A. B.* at the time this complaint is served upon him, and at the trial of this cause, in violation of his duties as a Master Mason, and to the great scandal and disgrace of the Masonic Fraternity. (90-21)

(OR)

Specification 8: That the said *A. B.*, on or about the _____ day of _____, 20____, at _____ in the County of _____, NC, did gamble (or other offense) at dice (or other device) in the presence of G. H., I. J., K. L. (or others) to the disgrace and scandal of the Masonic Fraternity.

(Note: To charge a brother with having pleaded guilty to an indictment for bigamy is not to charge him with a Masonic offense because the Masonic offense was the act of bigamy which should be the specification. The plea to the indictment is only evidence of the fact. It is not proper to charge or specify that a member SAID he committed an offense, except in the matter of atheism or in casting a secret ballot. The specification should be that he DID commit the offense. Where the facts are not personally known to the signer, the complaint must state the source of signers information and attest this belief in their truth See Regulation 91-6.2).

And it is therefore demanded that the said *A. B.* be put upon trial therefore. I do certify that I am on this date a Master Mason in good standing in _____ Lodge No. _____, A.F. & A.M., located at _____, NC. Dated at _____, NC, this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

_____ (Signature of Complainant)

_____ (Title if Any)

_____ (Address for Mail)