

Terrell D. Hicklin Grand Chapter



**Holy Royal Arch Masons
Washington Jurisdiction, PHA**

Date: January 14th, 2026

Subject: 2026 Financial Obligation Edict 002-2026

To: All Members of Terrell D. Hicklin Grand Chapter Holy Royal Arch Masons Washington Jurisdiction, P.H.A

***(THIS EDICT IS TO BE READ IN IT'S ENTIRETY IN ALL CONSTITUENT COMMANDERY
CONCLAVES FOR NEXT THREE CONCLAVES)***

Greetings,

Be it hereby proclaimed that all Constituent Chapters are reminded of their administrative and financial obligations in support of the continued order, governance, and successful operation of this Grand Chapter. The financial strength of the Grand Chapter is sustained solely through the faithful support of its Constituent Chapters. The timely payment of Grand Chapter taxes is not merely an administrative requirement, but a fundamental responsibility that enables the Grand Chapter to execute its duties, maintain proper governance, support communications, conduct Annual Sessions, preserve records, and uphold the dignity and legacy of the Holy Royal Arch Degrees of this Jurisdiction. Each Chapter's compliance reflects its commitment to the collective good and the long-term stability of the Rite.

**Grand Constitutions and
General Laws
Article VII Fees and Dues**

Section 7. Each Chapter shall pay to the Terrell D. Hicklin Grand Chapter Holy Royal Arch Masons Washington Jurisdiction (PHA), their per capita tax in the following manner: the annual returns shall be paid on or before the 15th day of April each year for every Companion reported on the rolls as of the thirty-first day of March.

Section 8. Payment of per capita tax each year to the Grand Chapter for any Companion on the rolls as of the thirty-first day of March by the Chapter shall render said member as being paid in full to the Chapter until December 31st.

All required Grand Chapter taxes are assessed at **twenty-five dollars \$25.00 per member**. All members listed on the Chapter rolls must be paid in full, and all taxes are due and payable no later than **April 15, 2026**. Each Chapter is directed to plan accordingly and ensure full compliance by this date.

Grand Chapter Proclamation 2025-002, dated 15 December 2025.

Furthermore, it is required that the **top three principal officers** of each Chapter are properly registered for the **York Rite Annual Session**. Registration for these officers must be completed **no later than March 15, 2026**. Compliance with this requirement is mandatory to ensure proper representation, voting authority, and participation in the business of the Grand Chapter.

Registration Link

<https://washingtoneyorkritepha.com/annual-registration>

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Chapters are strongly encouraged to address these matters promptly and conscientiously. Faithful financial stewardship ensures that the Grand Chapter may continue to operate without burden to the membership at large, while preserving the integrity, independence, and future growth of the York Rite within this Jurisdiction.

Let this Edict serve as official notice and guidance to all Chapters under our Jurisdiction.

Given under the hand and seal of the Terrell D. Hicklin Grand Chapter, Holy Royal Arch Mason, Washington Jurisdiction, P.H.A this 14th Day of January 2026.

Fraternal Regards,

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James B. Gilbert III

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MOST EXCELLENT GRAND HIGH PRIEST, KYCH

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