





Very Worshipful

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Through the presence and effectiveness of **LODGE OFFICERS.** 







## **Objectives**

- 1. Understand the motivations behind why people seek, or avoid, lodge officer positions.
- 2. Introduce a new tool to clarify the functions and duties of each lodge officer.
- 3. Discuss three imperatives that will help guide your leadership into the future.





### TOP REASONS FOR BEING A LODGE OFFICER

- 1. Supports the **health** of my lodge.
- 2. Supports the **growth** of my lodge.
- 3. Improves the **morale** of my lodge.

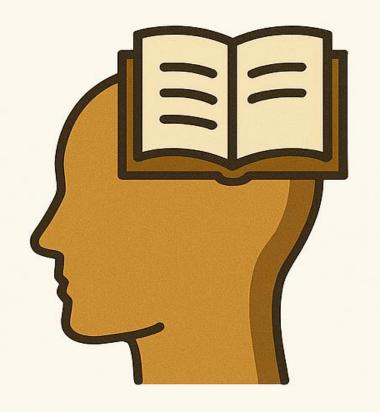


Why do Masons avoid or give up lodge officer positions?

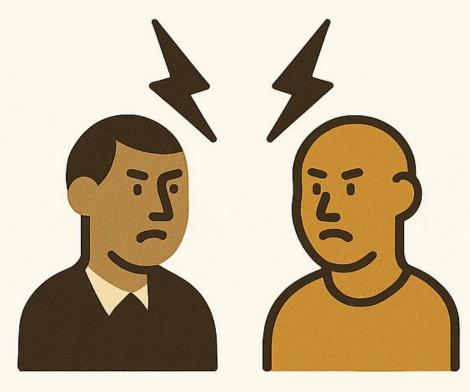
# TOP REASONS MASONS AVOID OFFICER POSITIONS



Time commitment



Memorization required

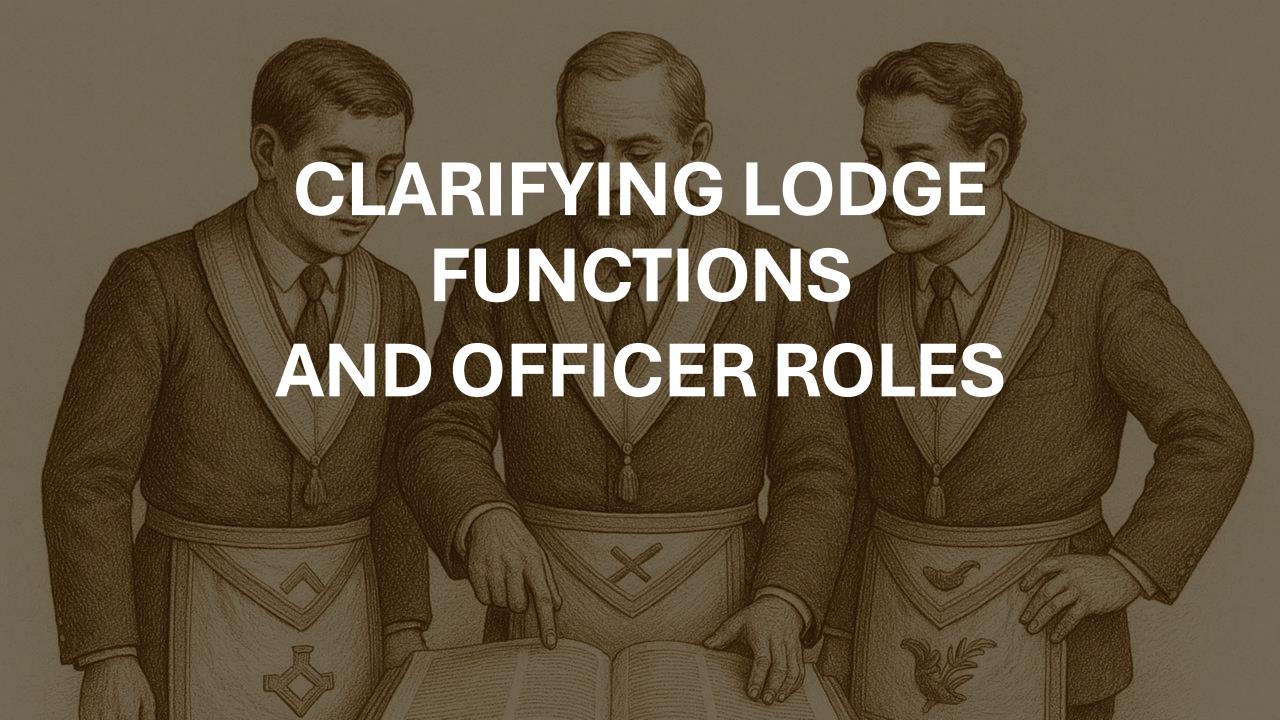


Conflicts in Lodge

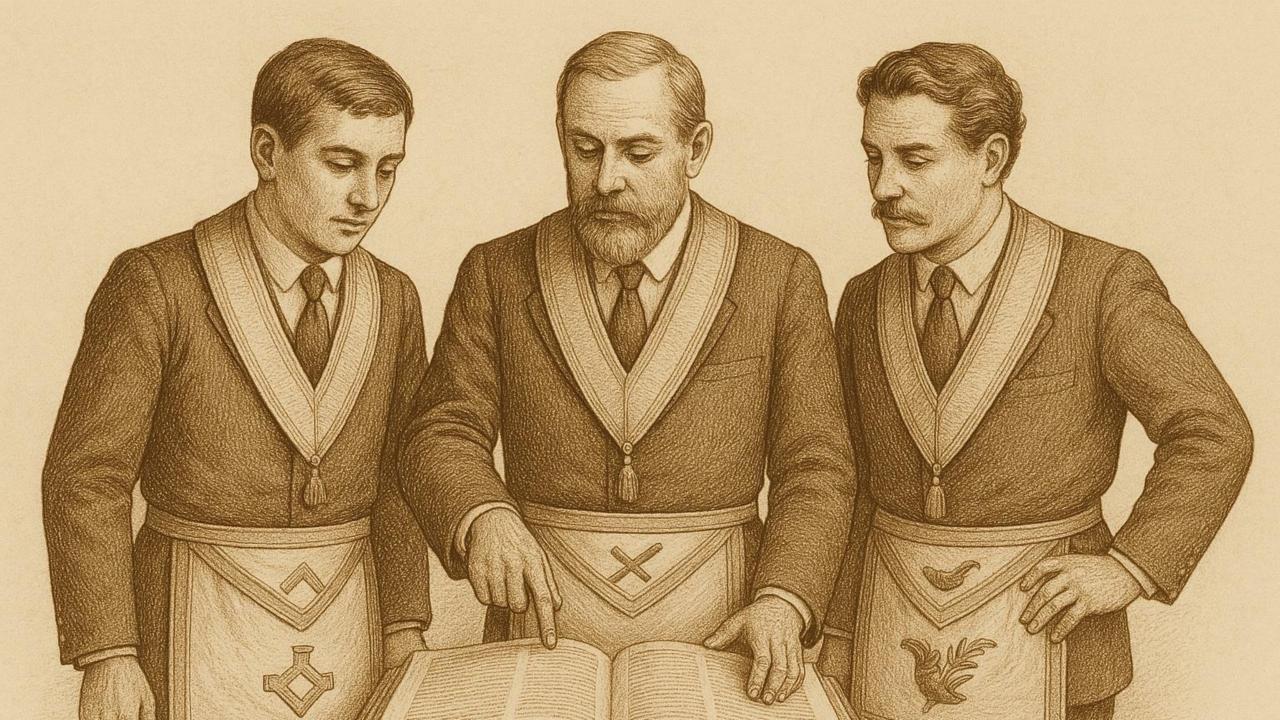


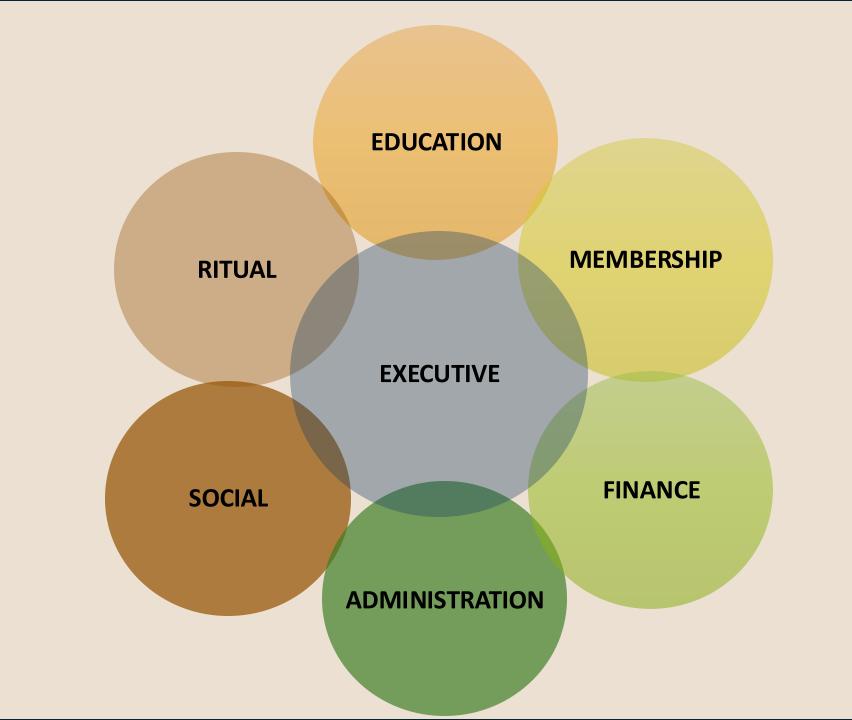
# HOW TO AVOID OFFICER AVOIDANCE

- 1. Use time wisely and efficiently.
- 2. Provide clear expectations and support on ritual memorization requirements.
- 3. Focus on harmony in the lodge. A lodge space is a sacred space. What does it mean to be the leader of a sacred space?









#### **EDUCATION**

Candidates Programming

#### **RITUAL**

Degrees &
Ceremonies
Officer Qualifications
Regalia/Paraphernalia
Music

#### SOCIAL

Dinners and Parties
Outings & Gatherings
Family Engagement

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

Welcome Committee
Prospects
Member Engagement

#### **EXECUTIVE**

Oversight
Planning & Delegation
Charity
Hall Association

#### **FINANCE**

Financial Accounts
Budget/Forecasting
Insurance

#### **ADMINISTRATION**

Records/Documents
Required Filings
Minutes/Bylaws
Dues



Success comes when every officer contributes

#### **EDUCATION**

Senior Warden

Candidates - Coaches Programming – Junior Deacon

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

Junior Warden
Welcome Committee Marshal
Prospects – Senior Deacon
Member Engagement Chaplain

#### **RITUAL**

Officer's Coach

Degrees & Ceremonies
Officer Qualifications
Regalia/Paraphernalia - Tiler
Music - Organist

#### **EXECUTIVE**

Master

Oversight
Planning & Delegation
Charity – w/Wardens
Hall Association –
w/Senior Warden

#### **FINANCE**

Treasurer
Financial Accounts
Budget/Forecasting

Insurance

#### **SOCIAL**

Stewards

Dinners and Parties
Outings & Gatherings
Family Engagement

#### **ADMINISTRATION**

Secretary

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# BEEHIVE IMPERATIVES

- 1. Show up!
- 2. Prioritize!
  - 1.Culture
  - 2. Effectiveness
  - 3. Succession
- 3. Be the example!



Masons show their leadership is not just administrative, but moral and inspirational.





