

# SOCIETY FOR PERSONALITY ASSESSMENT

## STATUS CHANGE APPLICATION

ASSOCIATE TO MEMBER\*

STUDENT AFFILIATE TO EARLY CAREER

\*If you have been an Associate for 5 years, you need not attach a copy of your degree \*\*Please attach a copy of doctorate degree

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_

(Print or type) First Middle Last Degree SEX:  Male  Female

PREFERRED MAILING ADDRESS (Home or Business): \_\_\_\_\_

Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No:(w) \_\_\_\_\_ (h) \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

### EDUCATION

Degree Year Institution Major Field of Study

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EMPLOYMENT: Current position, employer, dates. (Graduate students: Indicate area of study and degree toward which you are working.)

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MEMBERSHIP: Professional societies, certificates, licenses.

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TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE IN PERSONALITY ASSESSMENT:

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CONTRIBUTIONS TO SPA: (E.G., Midwinter Meeting Presentation, JPA Articles Published, etc.)

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Have you ever been dropped from membership in a national, state, or local professional organization or had your license revoked or suspended due to unethical and/or illegal conduct? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No

If you responded "yes", please explain the circumstances and relevant dates.

SPA dues are payable by December 31<sup>st</sup> of each year for the next calendar year. Applications received after September 1<sup>st</sup> will receive the JPA subscription the following year. If you choose to receive current issues of the JPA, you may call or write the Central Office to obtain the reduced subscription rate. If you have paid your dues as a Student Affiliate for the year, a \$38.00 dues balance is due for Student Affiliates changing their status to New Doctoral Graduate. If you have not yet paid your annual dues, the dues for Student Affiliate to New Doctoral Graduate is \$70.00; and for Associates to Member are \$120.00. Membership in the International Section is \$40.00 additional. International Section Members become members of the International Society for Rorschach & Projective Techniques.

Signature of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE RETURN with your check to: Society for Personality Assessment

(if appropriate)

6109H Arlington Boulevard  
Falls Church, VA 22044

Total Check: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# Classes of Membership

## MEMBER

- A. Persons whose work and interests lie primarily in the study or treatment of human behavior and its development or dysfunction, and who are recognized by virtue of professional training, experience, and membership in professional associations, as qualified psychologists, psychiatrists, or research workers in these fields, may be elected as Members provided their qualifications conform to the following standards: Doctorate in psychology, medicine, or related field and involved in personality assessment at a level of supervised experience acceptable to the Membership Committee. The requirement of a doctorate may be waived in the case of applicants from countries in which it is not the standard degree relevant to the practice of personality assessment if applicants have the advanced degree and training necessary for independent practice as determined by the Membership Committee.
- B. Each applicant for Member shall be endorsed as to the stated training and supervision and as to personal soundness and integrity by one sponsor, who shall be a member of the Society.\*

## FELLOW (only Members in-good-standing are eligible to apply or be nominated)

- A. Psychologists or individuals in the behavioral sciences who have demonstrated particular competence in methods of personality assessment in two of the following ways:
  - (1) A history of successful teaching in the area of personality assessment demonstrated by the attainment of the rank of Associate Professor or higher; or
  - (2) Made theoretical or research contributions of high quality in the area of personality assessment; or
  - (3) Have demonstrated professional leadership through supervision, administration or consultation in the use of methods of personality assessment within an institution or agency; or
  - (4) Have demonstrated other high attainments such as acquisition of the ABAP diploma
  - (5) Have made a unique and outstanding contribution to the Society
- B. Doctor's degree with special training in methods of personality assessment and a minimum of five years of acceptable experience following the attainment of the degree. The requirement of a doctorate may be waived in the case of applicants from countries in which it is not the standard degree relevant to the practice of personality assessment if they have a minimum of five years of acceptable experience after attaining the degree necessary for independent practice as determined by the Membership Committee.
- C. Each applicant for Fellow shall be endorsed as to competence, personal soundness and integrity by at least one Fellow and one Member of the Society.

## ASSOCIATE

- A. Persons who are graduate students in psychology or professionals or paraprofessionals who are working in supervised positions may be elected as Associates provided their qualifications conform to the following standards:
  - (1) Completion of one full year of graduate study in psychology plus one year of supervised experience, or completion of two years of graduate study with at least one semester of study in a full academic university course in methods of personality assessment; or
  - (2) Two years of experience in the particular professional or paraprofessional field of the applicant who holds at least an Associate of Arts degree.

Note: After five years, associates may apply for full membership.
- B. Each applicant for Associate shall be endorsed as to training, personal soundness and integrity by one sponsor, who shall be a Member of the Society.\* Full time graduate student applicants need one clinical faculty member, or the Director of the Clinical Training Program as sponsor.

## UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT AFFILIATE OR STUDENT AFFILIATE

- A. Undergraduates who are majoring in psychology or a related field and who are sponsored by a doctoral level SPA member may be elected as student affiliates.
- B. Graduate students enrolled in a regionally accredited program in psychology or a related field may be elected as student affiliates.
- C. Student affiliates are automatically members of SPAGS.
- D. Students may be enrolled in the student affiliate category for a maximum of five (5) years of accredited graduate study and a maximum of eight (8) years total.
- E. Persons enrolled in a post graduate or fellowship program can maintain the Student Affiliate classification.

## EARLY CAREER

To ease the financial transition from Student Affiliate to Member, the Board has added this class of membership for the first three years *after* graduation. Early Career members pay \$70 as members of the Society. The fourth year after receipt of their doctoral degree, these members will be expected to pay the full annual dues of \$120.00

## HONORARY MEMBER

- A. Persons of outstanding distinction or who have done much to promote the objectives of the Society may be elected to Honorary Membership status.

## LIFE MEMBER/LIFE FELLOW

- A. Attainment of age 65 and Member/Fellow of the Society for 20 years; OR
- B. Attainment of age 65, retired, and Member/Fellow of the Society for at least 10 years.