



**AMERICAN FEDERATION OF MUSICIANS  
of the UNITED STATES AND CANADA  
(AFM)**

**APPLICATION FOR USE IN CANADA ONLY**

AFM Local # \_\_\_\_\_

(Applicant to complete and sign both sides)

I, \_\_\_\_\_, make application to become a member of Local # \_\_\_\_\_ of the AFM, also known as \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Local

My Professional Name (if different) \_\_\_\_\_

Present Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Street # Street Name Apt. #

\_\_\_\_\_ City Province Postal Code

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ SIN \_\_\_\_\_

What instrument(s) do you play? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a citizen of Canada? Yes  No  How long have you resided in this jurisdiction? \_\_\_\_\_

If "No", what is your residence status? \_\_\_\_\_

Please list any other AFM Local in Canada or the United States wherein you previously held or currently hold membership \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Have you previously been suspended, erased, or expelled from any AFM Local? Yes  No

If yes, please explain when and for what cause \_\_\_\_\_

**MEMBERSHIP OBLIGATION**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, do solemnly promise and declare that upon acceptance of this application, I will support the Bylaws of the **American Federation of Musicians of the United States and Canada** and submit to its mandates, obey all laws, requirements, or policies emanating therefrom as they now exist and as in the future they may be amended, as well as those of the constitution and/or bylaws of Local # \_\_\_\_\_, and that of any other AFM Local of which I may hereinafter become a member; and further, I acknowledge that I am eligible to receive all member entitlements as stipulated therein during the periods for which my financial obligations to Local # \_\_\_\_\_ are fulfilled/maintained in a manner consistent with said rules. I also declare that the answers provided herein are complete and true to the best of my knowledge and belief, and in the event that it shall be proven that I have answered untruthfully, I acknowledge and agree that all fees paid pursuant to this application shall be forfeited and my membership rescinded except that the circumstances may be appealed to **AFM's Vice President from Canada**, who will render a decision which is final and binding on the Local and the applicant/member named herein.

**"To all these terms I agree and pledge my sacred word of honor."**

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(Signature) (Date) Local Witness

**FOR AFM LOCAL OFFICE USE ONLY**

\*NOTE: The reverse side of this application must also be executed for acceptance. Upon acceptance, a copy of both sides (fully completed and signed) shall be provided to the applicant and this original retained by the Local.

Application accepted \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
Day Month Year

New Member Orientation be viewed on \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
Day Month Year

Signed by \_\_\_\_\_ Title of Local Official \_\_\_\_\_



## **MEMBERSHIP AUTHORIZATIONS IN CANADA**

(Pursuant to the Bylaws of the American Federation of Musicians of the United States and Canada)

### **COLLECTIVE BARGAINING**

I AUTHORIZE the American Federation of Musicians of the United States and Canada (“AFM”) and the above-named Local to act as my collective bargaining representative with full authority to negotiate and execute collective bargaining agreements with ‘engagers’ establishing minimum terms and conditions for my services as a professional musician/performer.

### **REPRESENTATION IN CONTRACTUAL CLAIM(S)/DISPUTE(S)**

I further authorize the AFM, as my agent and in the name of the AFM or in my name, to do all acts, initiate all proceedings, execute, acknowledge and deliver any and all documents and pleadings, litigate, collect and receive money, and, in the AFM’s sole judgment, join me as a part plaintiff or defendant in suits or proceedings, or to bring suit in my name or the AFM’s name. In this regard, I also authorize the AFM to accept on my behalf, a reasonable *offer of settlement(s)* of any matter in dispute. I assign this authority with the understanding that AFM Bylaws grant me the right of appeal of a settlement decision which I may find unacceptable, to AFM’s Vice-President from Canada. Alternatively, and in the event a settlement offer is rejected by myself and the matter is continued with AFM’s participation, the AFM may offset from monies ultimately recovered from any award judgment and/or subsequent settlement, a pro rata share of the expenses, i.e. reasonable attorney’s fees or collection agency’s fees incurred in connection with that recovery.

### **NEW USE OF A MUSICAL PRODUCT**

I also understand that, when the AFM receives any residual payments for new use of a musical product produced, pursuant to an AFM collective agreement/contract, the AFM will deposit those monies into a separate interest-bearing account and then will attempt to identify and locate the musicians to whom the payments are due and to distribute those payments to them. In the event that I cannot be identified and located, and I do not file a claim for payment with the AFM within three years after the AFM receives payment, I authorize the AFM thereafter to transfer the monies due to me to the general treasury to be used to defray the costs of administering and operating the AFM; provided, however, that at any subsequent point I may file a written claim with the AFM and, upon doing so, I shall be forwarded my share of the residual payment to which I am entitled (without interest and offset by the applicable AFM work dues) unless the State/Province is then holding the residual payment I am due, in which case I shall apply to the State/Province for my payment. (*see AFM Bylaw Article 21, 2(a) and 2(b)*).

### **EQUITABLE RENUMERATION AND PERFORMER ENTITLEMENT UNDER THE COPYRIGHT ACT**

I acknowledge that as a performer I am responsible for providing my repertoire to the AFM for the purpose of determining eligibility and my entitlement to remuneration if any, pursuant to the Canadian Copyright Act, arising from the telecommunication to the public and/or the performance in public of published eligible sound recordings embodying my performance(s), and being a member of the American Federation of Musicians of the United States and Canada (“AFM”), and therefore entitled to all benefits that emanate from such membership, hereby, now and in the future, authorize and confirm the authority of the AFM, as my agent, to administer these rights on my behalf in accordance with the AFM Bylaws in general, and specifically with respect to Article 21, Section 1 of these Bylaws and/or as they may be amended from time to time.

To that end I authorize and confirm my authorization that the AFM and any “collective” body with whom the AFM has an agreement now or in the future to act as agents on my behalf to enforce my rights and collect from users, any statutory royalty or remuneration payments to which I may be entitled under the laws of Canada, the United States, or other countries or under international law or treaties, and distribute such remuneration to me.

I further authorize the AFM to offset from any royalties and remunerations collected the reasonable expenses of collecting, administering, and distributing those royalties and remunerations.

SIGNED \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_