**28th Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, Co. B**

**UNIT MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

**Returning Member:** \_\_\_\_\_\_ **Military** \_\_\_\_\_\_ **Civilian**

**New Member Recruit**: \_\_\_\_\_

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| **Name:**  *(First, Middle, Last)* |  |
| **Address:** |  |
| **Phone:**  **(home, work and/or cell)** |  |
| **Email:** |  |
| **Membership category:**  *(If “Family” please include names of members)(or if you are musician)* |  |
| **(if new) Previous reenacting experience:** |  |
| **Medical conditions:** |  |
| **Who to contact in case of an emergency** |  |
| **Date of Birth** |  |
| **If you would like to make a tax-deductible donation to the Unit, please indicate the amount here and any requests for use.[[1]](#footnote-1)** |  |

As a member of the 28th Massachusetts, Company B, I hereby acknowledge that I will follow the Unit’s established policies, by-laws, and safety standards while participating in 28th Massachusetts-sanctioned events, or while representing The 28th Massachusetts at other events or activities.

**Date:**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **Signature:**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **Printed Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Parent/Guardian Signature (if Member is under 18): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Parent/Guardian Printed Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Membership Categories**

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| Membership  Category | Age  Limits | Annual  Dues | Vote? | Hold  Office | Maximum  Rank | Bear/use  Firearms | Membership  Criteria |
| Family | None | $45 | Yes | Yes | Any | Adults | Applicable to household of two or more active members |
| Regular | 18 & up | $40 | Yes | Yes | Any | Yes | Applicable to active individual adult participants |
| Associate | 16 & up | $25 | No | No | Private | Yes | Applicable to individuals anticipating only limited participation |
| Junior | 10 - 15 | $20 | Yes | Yes | Musician | No | Intended mainly, but not exclusively, for musicians |
| Honorary | None | None | No | No | None | Yes | May be nominated by any, see note (6) below |
| Prospect | 10 & up | No | No | No | None | No | May be nominated by any, see note (6) below |

Notes:

* Dues are non-refundable and non-transferable.
* A single-family member, designated at the time of registration may vote. Additional family members may secure one additional vote each by paying a supplemental membership fee of $10.
* Family members who have paid regular or supplemental dues (except for “Associate” may hold elective office. Junior members who are not musicians may not hold office.
* The 28th Mass, Company B, is a non-profit corporation in Virginia. Dues are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law.
* “Any” refers to any rank for which an individual qualifies and has been selected.
* Maximum one copy per household of each Event Dispatch or other printed communication.
* The right to bear/use firearms is contingent upon meeting all unit age and safety certification requirements. For the purpose of bearing arms only an adult is considered to be 16 years or older. Honorary members may bear/use arms only with the permission of the Commanding Officer and after meeting all applicable age or safety requirements and regulations.
* “Prospect” is a special category reserved for individuals identified by the Board (through the Recruiting Officer) as being potential candidates for regular membership in the Company. Prospects may be temporarily placed on the Company mailing list and receive up to four consecutive Event Dispatches. If a prospect fails to make arrangements to become a regular member of the Company within a reasonable amount of time, the individual’s name will be removed from the mailing list and he/she will receive no further materials from the Company.

**SEND CHECKS (payable to the 28th Mass) AND REGISTRATION FORMS TO**:

**28th Mass, Co. B:**

**c/o Bill Voelkner**

**513 Colony Court**

**Warrenton, VA 20186**

## 28th Massachusetts, Company B Agreement and Release from Liability

**Voluntary Participation:** I acknowledge that I have voluntarily applied to participate in events formally sanctioned by the 28th Massachusetts, Company B, a non-profit corporation incorporated in Virginia, which is dedicated to the purpose of presenting Civil War era (1861 through 1865) living military history programs. The 28th Massachusetts, Company B is composed of volunteers including its Military Cadre and Company, Civilians, Board Members, and Executive Staff, all hereinafter called “The 28th Mass.” In consideration of the opportunity afforded me to participate in Primary and Secondary events formally sanctioned by The 28th Mass (i.e., Primary and Secondary Events), I agree as follows:

**Assumption of Risks:** I am aware that by participating in events formally sanctioned by the membership of The 28th Mass (i.e., Primary and Secondary events), I may be exposed to personal injury, death, or damage to my property as a result of my activities, the activities of other persons in The 28th Mass, or the conditions under which my volunteer services are performed with The 28th Mass. With knowledge of these risks, I agree to accept any and all risks of personal injury, death or damage to my property to the extent not covered by any insurance, and I verify this statement **by placing my** **initials here\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(parent/guardian’s initials if a minor).**

**Covenant Not To Sue, Release, Waiver, Indemnity:** I hereby promise that I, my successors, assignees, heirs, guardians and legal representatives, will not make any claim against The 28th Mass, for injury, death, or damage resulting from the act or omissions of The 28th Mass arising from my participation in said events, provided that the injury, death or damage was not caused by an act or omission that was grossly negligent, reckless, wanton, or intended to harm. I hereby waive and release my rights, actions, or causes of action against The 28th Mass, resulting from personal injury to me, or my death, or damage to my property, sustained in connection with my participation in Primary and Secondary events sanctioned by The 28th Mass, provided that the injury, death or damage was not caused by an act or omission that was grossly negligent, reckless, wanton, or intended to harm. This covenant, release, and waiver shall not apply to defeat any existing insurance coverage that would pay a claim absent this covenant, release, and waiver. Further, I agree to defend and indemnify The 28th Mass for any uninsured expense or claim arising out of any action or failure to act of mine during a sanctioned event.

**Knowing and Voluntary Execution:** I have carefully read this agreement and fully understand its contents. I am aware that this is a contract and a release of liability between me and the 28th mass and I sign it of my own free will. By signing this agreement, I certify that I am 18 years of age or older. **If I am less than 18 years of age,** I have the consent, and agreement of my parent or guardian to participate pursuant to the above agreement, and my parent or guardian assumes the risk, and waives and releases my rights on my behalf as evidenced by his/her signature below.

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| Date: |  | |  | **Witness:** |  | | | | | | | | |
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| **Signature:** | |  | | | | | | | | Age: | | |  |
| Name: | |  | | | | | | | |  | | | **(if under 18)** |
|  | | **(Please Print)** | | | | | | | |  | | |  |
| Address: | |  | | | |  |  |  |  | |  |  | |
| **(Print)** | | Street | | | |  | City |  | St | |  | Zip | |
| **Home and Cell Phone:** | |  | | | | | | | | | | | |

**IF VOLUNTEER IS A MINOR, PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE IS REQUIRED**

I represent and warrant to The 28th Mass that I am the parent or legal guardian of the minor named above. The above named minor has my permission to participate in Primary and Secondary events sanctioned by the 28th Mass. I have read and understand the terms and conditions of the Agreement and Release. On behalf of such minor and myself, I agree to all of the terms and conditions of the Agreement and Release.

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| **Parent/Guardian Signature:** |  | **Date:** |  |
| **Parent/Guardian Name (Print):** |  |  |  |
| **Home and Cell Phone:** |  | | |

1. All donations will be used to support The 28th Massachusetts, Company B activities, as determined by the Board, unless the donor specifies how he/she would like the donation to be used. Examples of needs that would benefit from donations include: 1) purchase of replica flags used by the historic 28th Massachusetts; 2) purchase and repair of Company equipment; and 3) historic preservation. A reply letter will be promptly mailed to the donor as evidence of the donation. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)