



THE WORSHIPFUL COMPANY OF SPECTACLE MAKERS

THE FREEMAN'S DECLARATION

(as prescribed in the Book of Ordinances
approved by the King's Justices on 30th October 1630)

I, _____, do solemnly and sincerely declare that I will be true to our Sovereign Lord the King's Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, and at all times obedient to the Master and Wardens of this Fellowship and Society, and their successors after them, in all honest and lawful things touching the affairs and business of this Fellowship. I will be ready at all manner of summons, and bear Scott and Lott in all manner of reasonable contributions of and to this Fellowship and Company of Spectacle Makers of the City of London.

I will to the best of my skill, power and ability uphold and maintain the weal of this Company. I will not know or suspect any manner of meetings, conspiracies, plots or devices against the King's Majesty, his heirs or successors, or the government of this Fellowship, but I will the same to the uttermost of my power let and hinder, and speedily disclose to the Master or one of the Wardens of this Society.

And this City of London and Fellowship of Spectacle Makers I will keep harmless as much as in me lies. Also I will be ready at all times to be at the Quarter Days, and every other assembly, matter or cause that I shall be warned or called unto for the affairs of this Fellowship, unless I shall have lawful and reasonable excuse in that behalf.

And all the ordinances of this Fellowship or Society, ratified according to the laws of this Realm or otherwise lawful for this Fellowship or Society to make or ordain, I will to the uttermost of my power well and truly submit myself unto and keep.

Signature..... Date.....

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In addition to the above, I understand that, as a Freeman of the Company, I will henceforth be required to pay Quarterage on 1 June each year (or such other date as may be set by the Court of Assistants) at the rate set by the Court, and that the rate will be reviewed, and may be increased, annually by the Court.

Signature..... Date.....