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Dear Potential LaSpirits member,

Greetings and thanks for your interest in becoming part of "Louisiana Spirits" Paranormal Investigations. As you may know, we are a group of serious minded individuals who research and study paranormal events. Our main goal is to document the existence of paranormal occurrences. Our secondary goal is to have fun and enjoy ourselves while staying safe.

Being a member of LaSpirits is much more than simply being part of a small, fly by night, group that hangs out in cemeteries all night. We take pride in being the most professional and elite paranormal investigative group in Louisiana, as well as one of the higher ranked groups in the country. Our professionalism and public relation skills reflect for themselves with a flawless track record, trustworthy references, and overall reliability. With LaSpirits, you will investigate historical locations that most groups could only dream of. You will also take pride in often assisting families who are having unexplainable problems in their homes. There is no better feeling than knowing you helped a young child sleep better at night. Finally, you will take part in group seminars and conventions, while dealing with various forms of media, only expanding our coverage area and adding to our case files.

You may be asking yourself, "Have I bitten off a little more than I can chew?" Not by a long shot! We will use all of our resources to educate you in the field of paranormal investigating, while having the time of your life. All that we ask, and demand, is that you participate on a regular basis. This is something that we cannot teach you, for you have to have that special drive in order to do so. When we say participate, we simply mean:

- -Check your email at least every two days
- -Participate in discussion on our Facebook page.
- -Communicate via email/phone with either myself your designated CM.
- -Of course, attend investigations as often as possible.

Now comes the bad part; the stuff you do not see on TV. I will be the first to say that this is often very time consuming and an actual investigation can often get very boring. We like to often say it is like watching paint dry! We even hit "dry spells", where we get several investigations that produce no evidence. "Why do we do this then?", you may ask yourself. In our opinions, driving 2-3 hours, setting up equipment, and sweating your butt off for 6 hours is all worth it when you obtain even one small bit of legitimate evidence. That is the type of drive and dedication LaSpirits' members possess and that is why we are admired by other groups and even respected by skeptics who are often quick to label all groups in the same category.

Please take the time to read over all contents. If you have any questions, feel free to contact your chapter's case manager. If you feel you are able to uphold the standards that LaSpirits has implemented, sign the Membership Agreement and return it to your case manager.

In closing, we want to once again thank you for your interest in joining LaSpirits. I can assure you that you will visit places and meet people you never thought you would see or meet. Welcome to a great group of some of the most down to earth, hard working, and knowledgeable people around.

As I said, everyone has a say so in this group. If at any time you have a question about something, feel that a change is needed, or are dissatisfied with any practices, please don't hesitate to contact me without fear of reprimand. Again, thank you, congratulations, and welcome to LaSpirits, the premiere paranormal investigative group in Louisiana! HAPPY HUNTING!! Sincerely,

Brad Duplechien – Founder of LaSpirits Marci Lee - Director of LaSpirits



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Rules, Guidelines, and Terms of Service

- 1. Maximum number of trainees allowed on an investigation is 1 or 2, depending on the size of the investigation site and the number of experienced investigators available.
- 2. The selection of investigative members for an investigation is as follows in order:
 - a. All Chapter members from the designated chapter where the investigation is located.
 - b. Trainee members being considered for membership.
 - c. Any additional members from other chapters who are willing to attend, if the added help is needed.
- 3. Anyone making false claims or falsifying stories to add to their credibility as an investigator or anyone tampering with evidence to add credibility to an investigation will be removed from LaSpirits.
- 4. Anyone who makes unwanted sexual advances to any member and/or client will be removed from LaSpirits.
- 5. When on an investigation you will be required to act in a professional manner. There will be no horseplay, loud belching, farting, etc. There are times when we get to relax and have fun, but not during an investigation.
- 6. The practicing of witchcraft or Satanism or the use of a Ouija board as a means of collecting evidence is not allowed to be used at any time.
- 7. Unless written consent is obtained from a client, all information obtained on an investigation is confidential.
- 8. If attending an investigation or seminar, members should wear proper attire, primarily your LaSpirits shirt or any approved LaSpirits apparel which can be purchased at www.cafepress.com/laspirits
- 9. The Case Manager, or designee will be responsible for the placement of equipment. While this is going on, all other members will be taking plenty of photos while taking base readings of the area.
- 10. No one under the age of 18 years old is allowed on investigations.
- 11. No member shall be under the influence of alcohol or drugs while on an investigation or seminar. Also, no members are to have any sort of non prescription drug on their possession during any LaSpirits function.
- 12. No one shall venture out by themselves on an investigation. For safety reasons you should stay with at least one other team member. It is the responsibly of either the Case Manager or the designee present to assign these 2-person groups to particular areas of the investigative area. Regardless of what has taken place in other areas you are to stay in your assigned location with your partner until you are instructed to move to a different locale.

- 13. You are not required to purchase any equipment as a member. If you use another team member's equipment, you are to treat it as if it was your own and you are to be held responsible should any damages occur. If you are interested in obtaining any type of equipment, contact me and I will send you some links to some affordable items.
- 14. Effective 2/1/12, we began implementing a probation period for new members. Any new member will be placed on a 2-month probationary period. During this time, the new member will be closely evaluated in regards to participating and communicating with the group and his/her case manager. While on probation, you will not receive an LaSpirits email account, nor will you be added to the website until you have successfully completed your (2) month probation. During this time, the new member will have to wear a plain, navy blue t-shirt or polo shirt for an investigation. If during the probationary period, the new member does not show the initiative and level of participation that is required by LaSpirits, then he/she is subject to dismissal with no advanced notice.
- 15. Once accepted into Louisiana Spirits under the above mentioned (2) month probationary period, please fill out the attached membership agreement and send back to: Marci Lee, Director, at mlee@laspirits.com



REVISED: 8/2021 have received a copy of the new member packet and I have read all its contents. I also understand everything contained within the packet given to me by "Louisiana Spirits" Paranormal Investigations. I understand that "Louisiana Spirits" Paranormal Investigations was established for the purpose of paranormal investigating. By signing this document I understand that I am joining under free will, Louisiana Spirits does not pay me to be a member of this group, and any injury or damages that may occur is my own liability. Neither "Louisiana Spirits" Paranormal Investigations nor any client of Louisiana Spirits is liable for any damage or injury to my property or myself. I also understand that any evidence submitted to LaSpirits while a member can be used on the website or any other forms of publication. By signing this form, I also give my consent for LaSpirits to continue to use the above mentioned evidence in the event that I am no longer a member. I understand that the term "evidence" may include, but not limited to, photos, audio recordings, video recordings, written statements, etc. Member Signature Date Phone Number Cell Number Address Email In case of an emergency contact: For safety purposes please list any allergies you may have: