



MWGM Charles F. Williams
Grand Lodge of Tennessee



MWGM Billy V. Morris
Grand Lodge of Washington



MWGM William R. Stark
Grand Lodge of Wisconsin

Methodist Episcopal Church in 1816, who was the first Treasurer of the African Lodge No. 459, Philadelphia, was very busy building a new denomination during the formation of the Grand Lodge; but gave of his means, and certainly his moral support, to the cause to which his great friend and fellow warrior, Absalom Jones, was dedicated.

The current Most Worshipful Grand Master of Pennsylvania is Lorenzo Cruger.

The Grand Lodge of Rhode Island

THE year 1797 was indeed an eventful one for Prince Hall Freemasonry. It saw the establishment of the African Grand Lodge in Boston, and the warranting of the first lodge in Philadelphia. That same year, the members of the Boston lodge who lived in Rhode Island requested a warrant to constitute a separate lodge. As Hiram Lodge No. 3 of Providence, this lodge became inactive in 1813 when most of its members emigrated to Liberia where they carried on the tradition of Freemasonry by establishing the first lodges on the mainland of Africa.

Between 1826 and 1858, five new Connecticut lodges were warranted by the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Massachusetts. They were Harmony Lodge No. 1 in Providence; Celestial Lodge No. 2 in Providence; Stone Mill Lodge No. 3 in Newport; Radiant Sun Lodge No. 4 in Providence; and King Solomon Lodge No. 5 in Providence.

Until 1885, the smallest state had the dubious distinction of having more than one Grand Lodge. One group of lodges was warranted by the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Massachusetts to function as a Grand Lodge under the name Most Worshipful Harmony Grand Lodge. Another group of lodges formed Union Grand Lodge.

From time to time unsuccessful efforts were made to effect a union of the two lodges. The two Grand Lodges continued to exist in Rhode Island until June 7, 1885 when both Grand Lodges met and by mutual agreement formed and established the Most Worshipful Eureka Grand Lodge of Rhode Island. Edward B. Hebew was elected Grand Master.

At its annual communication of 1944, the Grand Lodge voted to change its name to the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge, F. & A.M., State of Rhode Island and Pro-

vince Plantations.

The present Most Worshipful Grand Master is Randolph Lowman.

The Grand Lodge of Washington

A CONFERENCE was held in the city of Seattle, Washington on April 13, 1903 by delegates from Enterprise Lodge No. 47, Portland, Oregon; Washington Lodge No. 49; and Inland Empire Lodge No. 53. All of these lodges were organized and chartered by the Grand Lodge of Illinois. The delegates of these three lodges decided to return their warrants and constitutions to the Grand Lodge of Illinois and erect a Grand Lodge for the state of Washington. J.C. Logan was elected Most Worshipful Grand Master.

The current Most Worshipful Grand Master is Billy V. Morris.

The Grand Lodge of Wisconsin

IN 1925, there were four Prince Hall Masonic Lodges in Wisconsin chartered by the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Illinois. They were Widow's Son No. 25, Milwaukee; Capitol City No. 72, Madison; W.B. Kennedy No. 106, Beloit; and L.H. Palmer No. 115, Milwaukee. On June 29, 1925, these four lodges held a convention in Milwaukee. A committee from the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Illinois, headed by Most Worshipful Grand Master John C. Ellis, organized the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Wisconsin. At the present time there are 11 subordinate lodges in Milwaukee, Madison, Beloit, Racine, and Kenosha.

The contributions of Prince Hall Masons have been numerous. They have contributed greatly to the growth and development of Wisconsin and the nation, through participation with and contributions to many of our national and local charitable and nonprofit organizations such as the NAACP, YMCA, United fund, United College Fund, and March of Dimes.

The present Most Worshipful Grand Master is William R. Stark.

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