



**APPLICATION FOR SIGN VARIANCE / APPEAL HEARING
FERGUSON TOWNSHIP
CENTRE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

Application for a Variance must be filed in the name of the owner of record or in the name of the holder of an option or a contract to purchase, or in the name of the lessee if authorized under a lease.

The application must be completed in full and the following must accompany the application:

1. Eleven copies of the application.
2. Eleven copies of a diagram or site plan (as outlined on Page 3).
3. For a Variance Hearing a non-refundable filing fee of \$250.00 (checks are made payable to Ferguson Township).
 - For an Appeal Hearing a filing fee of \$250.00 (Checks made payable to Ferguson Township). The Appeal Hearing fee is refundable if the applicant prevails in the appeal of a notice of violation.
 - If applying for both a Variance Hearing and an Appeal Hearing both the Variance fee of \$250.00 and the Appeal fee of \$250.00 must be paid to the Township.
4. A copy of the applicant's deed or other instrument showing authority to file this application must be attached.

If the instrument attached does not contain a legal description, a legal description must be provided.

All material should be submitted to the Ferguson Township Zoning Office no later than the fourth Monday of the month by 5:00PM.

All incomplete applications will not be processed.



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In the matter of:

Date of hearing:

Property Location:

Phone_____

FAX_____

ENTRY OF APPEARANCE

Name_____

Address_____

I am appearing on my own behalf _____ (Check if this is true.)

I am representing_____

Please send me notice at the above address of any final decisions in this matter.

WAIVER OF STENOGRAPHIC RECORD

I agree to waive the requirements of Section 908(7) of the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code which requires that a stenographic record of the proceedings be made, and consent that a record of the proceedings be prepared from a tape recording of the hearing and the recording secretary's minutes.

Applicant's Signature

Date

The undersigned hereby applies to the Ferguson Township Zoning Hearing Board for a variance under the provisions of the Ferguson Township Sign Ordinance affecting the following premises in the manner herein described.

Applicant _____

Address _____

Phone _____ FAX _____

Owner _____

Address _____

Phone _____ FAX _____

1. Location of premises _____

2. Centre County Tax Map Parcel Number _____

3. Present zoning _____

4. How long has the applicant held an interest in the property? _____

5. Present use of the premises _____

6. Proposed use of the premises _____

7. Describe the requested variance _____

8. Describe all existing signs on the property, including type (e.g. pole, wall) size and height _____

9. Number and type of uses (e.g. office or retail) for which the building is to accommodate _____

10. For new construction or alterations:

a) Have plans been submitted to the Zoning Officer? _____

b) Has he/she reviewed, approved, and signed the plans? _____

c) Has he/she issued a permit? _____

11. Provisions or regulations of the Ferguson Township Sign Ordinance under which application for a variance is made _____

12. For an appeal hearing, describe the alleged misinterpreted or misapplied provision of the ordinance which will be relieved by granting this appeal _____

13. A variance will be granted only upon the showing of a hardship which is compelling, unnecessary, and unique.

a) Compelling - Not merely the prevention of a desired use which is only one of several possible uses.

b) Unnecessary - Not a hardship arising from the regulations itself, that is, not a hardship that applies to everyone.

c) Unique - The dimensions and topography of the lot prevent its uses as zoned.

Describe hardship which will be relieved by granting this variance _____
