



Sept Formation Guidelines

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What is a sept?

From the day you are born, you carry a societal debt you had no part in negotiating. Individuals, organizations and state entities wield class power to extort your labor and use existential threats as leverage to force your compliance through homelessness, loss of healthcare, access to food and water, and displacement from the entire economy of human life.

The purpose of a sept, at its most essential, is to restore human dignity, autonomy, and sovereignty.

The word *sept* in its most common usage, refers to a clan – specifically one outside of its ancestral homeland. It comes from the Latin root *septum*, which means enclosure. This simple etymology is almost all the description we need.

To understand the sept, you have to understand that it already exists within an ideologically hostile environment. Any society that is violently politically bent on white Christian homogeneity, and economically bent on wealth extraction is, and can only be, hostile to anyone who might sincerely call themselves a Luciferian Dominionist.

A sept is more than just an extended familial relationship, however. It is a social group designed to function as a versatile, capable community, able to adapt and respond to an increasingly chaotic world, while meeting its members' human needs. A healthy sept should provide most people the kind of acceptance and support they want from most other types of groups, but can never find because those groups always exist to serve another primary purpose: a religious congregation, a club based on a narrow interest, a friend group with nebulous roles and rules. A sept exists only to serve its members.

Why should you be interested in joining or forming a sept as opposed to a gun club, activist group, advocacy chapter, or even a prepper group?

Firstly, those are all things that could be done both within and outside of your purview as a Luciferian Dominionist. Secondly, those are highly specialized groups designed to do one job, and even prepping groups tend to overlook longterm social cohesion, or preparing for short term survival while ignoring long term skills like agriculture.

Clearly that can't be achieved through superficial, casual ties. It might sound intense to you, but you have to keep in mind that we're facing problems our species has never faced before. The common social groups most of us have access to now are very privileged in their disposability. We can afford to throw away entire communities rather than work on them.

We cannot afford to pretend we don't need people, because enough people around us provide us with a kind of herd immunity from the worst facets of human life.

The delusion of the lone wolf is over. But for this to work, you have to believe that you can improve a community that isn't working for you. There's no point in sticking around a top-down dictatorship, or some form of artificial hierarchy where people just appoint themselves and rule without qualification. The sept is, lastly, a body designed to evolve and improve. The sept is insular, but the sept is internally transparent; septs are designed to hear the members it has, and not to have members it doesn't want to hear.

Septs and Dominion

Dominion is a state of complete communal sovereignty and of ecological and social stewardship. We believe that human harmony, rather than domination, is our inherent relationship to the natural world, and oppose those who would poison and corrupt the living world. We believe this state of earthly stewardship is symbolized by the fall of Lucifer to earth, and the parables associated with Lucifer, Lilith and Leviathan.

Your sept is a little slice of that, shaped by your collective will. Another definition for "sept" is a seed. While some organizations treat their local groups as resources to be exploited, we view ours as natural extensions of our greater purpose. It is therefore in our interest to nurture and empower our septs for their success, rather than create messy artificial hierarchies that sow division.

The relationship of a sept to the rest of Dominion should be one of solidarity and mutual support. Septs should be supporting our broader efforts, and can expect to enjoy the benefit of the ministry's resources.

Sept members might do a fundraiser for the ministry, while the ministry promotes fundraising for a sept's local initiative. A sept member might lend expert help on a national project, and receive expert help in return.

In the Council's view, autonomy can neither be absolute nor universal. It would be foolish to hold people of wildly different levels of experience to the same standards and expect them to require the same degrees and types of oversight. The Council believes that autonomy for septs should be the highest goal, and that this is a spectrum. We want to have septs that are in healthy homeostasis and require little oversight so that our time and energy can be spent on projects and campaigns.

Different septs are going to have different "flavors" and goals, and we love that. Our intention is to help figure out early on what makes each group special and embrace that, rather than hammer groups into boring homogeneity. An ideal sept is able to pursue its local goals while naturally furthering Dominion goals.

The Luciferian Dominion, at its structural level, is designed to survive its founders. If they quit, or are removed, or retire, their work will continue, the benefits they provided will endure, and generations after will be able to build on it. To ensure this, they had to give up the very idea of ownership of the concept.

To that end, the Dominion must also "own" the assets of a given sept. The only way to provide people with security that their work won't be hijacked, destroyed or misappropriated by an individual (which, you know, happens) is to ensure that it remains in the care of the collective effort toward which everyone is working.

Part of the reason the Council has created this process is to figure out if a given group is going to be a good fit. Septs are functionally autonomous (or should be), but at the end of the day, they are still extensions of Dominion. Fully autonomous groups are fine, but they can't be depended upon the way we need our local groups to be able to depend on each other, and an arbitrarily obdurate streak is a red flag to us.

We want people who are focused on results, not control.

Sept Management

While staunch individualists might balk at their not having “ownership” over a sept, that doesn't mean we expect every group to fit a specific mold. Our “default” mode is for septs to be run by a council organized around expertise. However, a given sept might prefer to run horizontally like an anarchist collective while another finds hierarchy with advisory positions to be more efficient. As long as a sept is a) functional, b) accomplishing goals, and c) has generally high morale, the Council doesn't really care how it's organized. In fact, we think a degree of sandboxing is useful for evolving our organizational approach. The important thing is that sept leadership is always completely transparent, there is always a clear and trustworthy system of redress for members, and that we're simply willing to change and adjust when things aren't working.

The Council is always happy to provide organizational guidance, but we find it more effective to be goal oriented rather than method oriented, and to simply provide support when needed.

Each sept will have two representatives to serve on the Council for a term of one year. The representatives will participate in Dominion governance and policy making, and represent their sept's interests.

The Council members are elected by ranked choice. The Council may remove dysfunctional, counterproductive, or absentee members, which will trigger a new election. Sept representatives may serve consecutive terms if elected. Representatives who are removed from the Council by the Council or by writ from the Archlector may not be re-elected.

Member Beliefs

We do not require members to conform to a certain set of beliefs. Our religious framework is provided to reinforce, guide and illustrate our shared values, but as long as a member shares those values, they are welcome. We are a ministry. Satanism is our religion, and as Satanists, we value the individual.

Sept Requirements

A sept must have at least 4 founding members who must be able to congregate in person within a reasonable distance. Septs may count any number of committed non-local members beyond this number, provided their number is never more than 25% of the sept's total membership.

Support Levels

Septs progress through an internal ranking system that reflects a sept's ability to support its members and Dominion overall. This system is only used to provide open and flexible guidance for sept establishment, and to internally recognize the capability level of a given group.

A Support Level 1 group might be a fledgling sept finding its feet while a Support Level 5 group might be a fully autonomous sub-organization capable of hosting a national event. Higher SL septs might be paired with new septs for mentorship. Septs are free to progress at their own pace and with their own choices.

Application Process

To form a sept, a group needs 4 local members, and a representative must fill out our web form, including the founding members, proposed sept name(s) and a statement of purpose (why you want to form a sept in the first place and what you intend to accomplish through it). You will be contacted by a Council representative and an interview will be scheduled with your founding members and the Council. Once accepted, a sept is required to raise a one-time \$150 setup fee, which covers domain registration, logo design commission, an initial set of business cards, and shipping.

[When you're ready, you can apply using our online form.](#)

Sept Name and Logo

Sept names and logo design will be workshopped with the Council and the Council will commission the logo design.

Sept names should reflect the spirit of the group and are not restricted by format. The only thing we ask is that they not be intentionally obtuse, impenetrable, or composed wholly in Latin. Some examples:

The Cult of Ophelia

The Skeleton Pitt

The Evergreen Circle

The Atlanta Dominion

Greater Sept of New England

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