

**APPLICATION FOR VARIANCE
DOUGLAS COUNTY, MINNESOTA**

Date _____, 20____ Parcel No. _____ Application No. _____

Legal Description of Land _____

Section _____ Township _____ Present Zoning _____

Lake _____ Lakeshore () Yes () No Covenants () Yes () No

Sketch or Drawing Submitted? () Yes () No Photos Submitted? () Yes () No

Proposed Use of Land _____

Signed by _____ (Note: If not owner=s signature, a copy of a signed purchase agreement will be
Applicant needed.) Signature confirms applicant has read and understands procedure
sheet.

Owner: _____ Buyer: _____

Address: _____ Address: _____

Phone No.: () _____ Phone No.: () _____
Area Code Number Area Code Number

Property address: _____

Application taken by _____ FEE: \$300.00 (non-refundable)

Date of Hearing _____ 20____.

Special Conditions Attached:

This application is hereby Approved/Denied by the Douglas County Board of Adjustment this _____ day of
_____, 20_____.

A variance may be granted where the strict enforcement of county zoning controls will result in unnecessary hardship. Whether a hardship exists is determined by considering each of the following 6 criteria. Please summarize the facts as to your property and alleged hardship with regard to each of the 6 factors, using additional paper if necessary.:

1. **Facts showing variance would be in harmony with the intent of the comprehensive plan, zoning ordinance and state Shoreland Management Rules.**

2. **Facts showing that, without the variance, the owner is deprived of a reasonable use of the property.**

3. **Facts showing that the plight of the landowner is due to circumstances unique to this property.**

4. **Facts showing that the circumstances causing the hardship were created by someone or something other than the landowner or previous landowners.**

5. **Facts showing that issuance of the variance will maintain the essential character of the locality.**

6. **Facts showing that the alleged hardship involves more than economic considerations.**

Application will not be processed unless these questions have been answered and the sketch has been completed.

Dated: _____ Signed: _____
Applicant