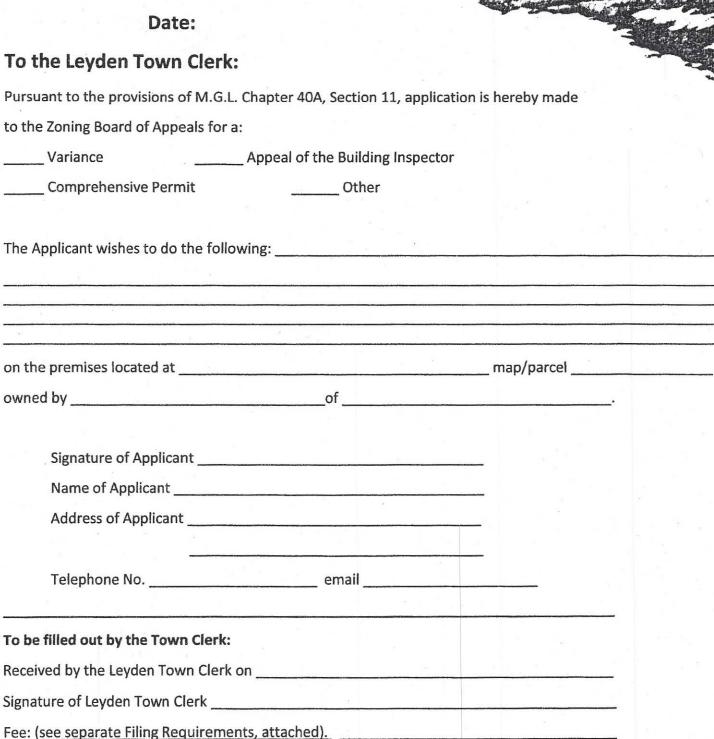
## **TOWN OF LEYDEN, MASSACHUSETTS ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

## APPLICATION FOR VARIANCE, APPEAL, **COMPREHENSIVE PERMIT**



[ZBA Form 2018-1]

## FILING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE LEYDEN ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

- 1. Application form (6 copies).
- 2. Building permit application/denial.
- 3. Certified plot plan (2 copies) showing existing and proposed structures, structure setbacks, driveways, wells, septics, wetlands; same for such abutters' features within 150' of the proposed activity.
- Complete name and mailing address listing (obtained from the Board of Assessors) of all
  parties-in-interest within 300' of all Applicant's property lines, including opposite sides
  of public or private streets or ways.
- 5. Established filing fee(s): \$50 payable to Town of Leyden and \$95 payable to Greenfield Recorder.

VARIANCES are mechanisms by which a municipal board authorizes a variation from otherwise applicable zoning requirements.

State law, Chapter 40A Section 10, requires a petitioner requesting a variance to be able to show at the time of the public hearing that:

- There are unique circumstances relating to the soil conditions, shape, or topography
  of the land or structures in question and especially affecting the land and structures,
  but not affecting generally the zoning district in which the land or structures are
  located;
- A literal enforcement of the by-law would involve substantial hardship, financial or otherwise, and;
- Desirable relief may be granted without substantial detriment to the public good and without nullifying or substantially derogating from the intent or purpose of the zoning ordinance or by-law.

All three (3) of the above conditions must be met for favorable action on the variance request. The Applicant must show how the characteristics of the property in question prohibit what he/she is trying to accomplish.

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[ZBA Form 2018-2]