

Letter of Registration & Return

and

Order of Protection

Devices of

Historical Chartered Subdivisions

- May 2008 -

Unto the Empire of Adria & the Imperial College of Arms, GREETINGS.

It is with great honour that I have been asked to present unto you the May 2008 Letter of Registration & Return.

At the end of this LoRR, please find two new RULINGS regarding (1) the usage of a charge and its posture, and (2) matriculated armory from other recognized organizations.

It has been an ongoing project of the College of Arms to preserve the devices of *Historical Chartered Subdivisions*. This task is concluded with this publishing. I call it an *Order of Protection*. Please, see that section for important information, pertaining to that subject.

Personally, I would like to thank Fleur-de-lis Imperial Sovereign of Arms, Sir L'Bet'e deAcmd, for his faith in me.

I pray that you fare well.

+ Baroné-Realé Francesco Gaetano Greco d'Edessa

Phoenix et. Dragon King of Arms Flaming Herald Extraordinary

Registered

Empire of Adria

Northwest Banner

Flag/Banner

Argent, a cross potent Vert surmounted by a crown enfiled of a chalice of the First between four fleur-de-lys crosswise Or.

Albion

Megan

Device

Gules, a wolf's head erased Argent.

Quinlan Moriarty

Device

Purpure, a chevron dancetty counter-dancetty between in base a hand apaume argent and in chief 2 lions combatant guardant Or.

Cambridge

Tristan Winter

Badge

Or, in pale 3 crosses patteé Sable.

Church of Adria

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Badge

[Fieldless] A lily Argent.

*NOTE: An 'Argent Fleur-de-lis' is for use to Sees of the Church of Adria and by those specifically designated to do so by augmentation. The use of an 'Argent Lily,' (the true form of a fleur-de-lis), may be used by all who wish to represent themselves as a member of the Church of Adria. This charge is able to be registered without the need of being an augmentation.

Somerset, See of

Device

Azure, between 3 fleur-de-lys 2 and 1, a lamb passant Argent.

Transferred

Greylond Winter

Device

Per fess dancetty and fleury-counterfleury Argent and Sable.

from: Cambridge to: Brandenburg

Returned

Albion

Draco Rivenoak Device

Per bend Gules and Or, 2 dragons embowed biting their own tails Counterchanged, overall a bend wavy Pean.

COMMENTS:

This device was presented as being matriculated in the SCA, hence should be registered in Adria.

After much research and in consultation with the Imperial Sovereign of Arms, I have concluded:

- (1) the charge of a 'serpent (or snake) biting it's own tail' (actually blazoned as 'serpent involved') is able to be documented;
- (2) even though this device was registered in the SCA as 'dragon embowed biting their own tails,' (actually blazoned as 'dragon dormant in annulo'), a beast (other than a serpent or snake) in this position, is an heraldic invention of the SCA;
 - (3) the SCA differentiates serpents from dragons.

Sir Nigel, when he was the Imperial Sovereign of Arms, commented on the topic of "If it is registered in the SCA, it is registerable in Adria":

"SCA: 1. Registration in the SCA means that there's a good chance that registration in Adria will follow, this is not always the case. To tighten this rule-of-thumb: Registration by the SCA within the past two years means that there is a good chance that, barring conflict, it will be registerable in Adria. Our rules are different from the SCA's rules, even if some of our rules are based on the SCA's. We are gradually moving away from the SCA's style and working towards building our own. As we get further and further away from SCA-style heraldry, the less likely it is that a given piece of SCA-registered armory will be acceptable in Adria."

RULING (1):

A dragon (or other beasts), (other than a serpent or snake or the like) in the position 'in annulo' cannot be registered in Adria.

RULING (2):

Armory matriculated in the SCA, ECS, or any other organization recognized by the Adrian Empire, are not guaranteed that they will be passed by Adria's Imperial College of Arms.

Order of Protection - Devices of Historic Chartered Subdivisions-

*NOTE: The following devices of now defunct **Chartered Subdivisons** of the Empire of Adria. These Arms are protected as **Historic** and can never be released. Any Chartered Subdivison that the Imperial Estates deem as closed, shall have their Arms added to these rolls and will be protected.

**NOTE: As of this date, any device, badge or flag of any person, estate or other than a person or estate cannot conflict with these protected devices. Any device, badge or flag currently *Imperially registered* are considered Grandfathered and cannot be released due to the fact that they are in conflict with these newly protected Arms.

College of Arms

- Andorra, Archduchy of (Historical Chartered Subdivison)

 Per pale Sable and Gules, a caltrop Or.
- Annelynnrose, Duchy of (Historical Chartered Subdivison)

 Azure, a bend Gules, overall between on the bend 2 fleurs-de-lys or, a rose Argent.
- Aragon, Kingdom of (Historical Chartered Subdivison)

 Gules, in pale a crown and a sun in splendor Or.
- Avernus, Shire of (Historical Chartered Subdivison)

 Argent, a bend sinister Sable.
- Bedegraine, Shire of (Historical Chartered Subdivison)

 Per chevron Or and Sable, 2 laurel wreaths and a tower Counterchanged.
- Brittany, Duchy of (Historical Chartered Subdivison)
 Sable, a Mullet Or.
- Crescent Moon, Shire of (Historical Chartered Subdivison)

 Azure chapé ploye Or, in chief 2 fleur-de-lys Or, in base a conifer tree

 Proper.

Crimson Oak, Viceroyality of (Historical Chartered Subdivison)

Gules. an oak tree Sable.

Dragons Mist, Duchy of (Historical Chartered Subdivison)

Vert, a dragon Or.

DunAfton, Shire of (Historical Chartered Subdivison)

Azure, on a mound with 3 peaks beneath 7 mullets of eight, in chevron a sword inverted Azure.

Dunvegan, Duchy of (Historical Chartered Subdivison)

Per pale Vert and Azure, a pale wavy Or, overall a castle Argent.

Galanache Dragun, Shire of (Historical Chartered Subdivison)
Azure, a serpent in gurges Or.

Glaston, Viceroyality of (Historical Chartered Subdivison)

Azure, on a bend Gules fimbrilated, 3 fleur-de-lys palewise Argent.

Grenfell, Shire of (Historical Chartered Subdivison)

Per fess Argent and Gules, 3 swords fesswise Counterchanged.

Hanover, Shire of (Historical Chartered Subdivison)

Per bend Vert and Or, a sun in splendor Counterchanged.

Isenwold, Shire of (Historical Chartered Subdivison)

Gules, a mountain issuant from base Or.

Lone Star, Shire of (Historical Chartered Subdivison)

Per pale Azure and Argent, a mullet Counterchanged.

Lyon, Shire of (Historical Chartered Subdivison)

Vert, a lion in splendor Or.

Navarre, Duchy of (Historical Chartered Subdivison)

Quarterly 1 and 4: Or, a portcullis gules; 2: Or, a fleur-de-lis Gules;

3: Argent, a fleur-de-lis Or.

Neu Eisenwold, Duchy of (Historical Chartered Subdivison)
Sable, on a bend sinister Gules between 2 estoiles 3 water-bougets Or

Pembroke, Kingdom of (Historical Chartered Subdivison)

Sable, a cross fleury Or.

- Rathlin Isle, Duchy of (Historical Chartered Subdivison)

 Azure, on a bend Gules, between 2 fleur-de-lys palewise Or, a rose

 Argent.
- Silvowitz, Shire of (Historical Chartered Subdivison)

 Argent, on a bend sinister Vert 3 cups palewise Or.
- Snowden, Duchy of (Historical Chartered Subdivison)

 Argent, three crabs Gules.
- Thatuna, Shire of (Historical Chartered Subdivison)

 Per chevron Azure and Vert, 2 axes Argent and a garb Or.
- Tierra Del Fuego, Archduchy of (Historical Chartered Subdivison)

 Argent, on a chevron Gules, 3 martlets Argent.