



# **JULY 2008**

# **IMPERIAL ESTATES MINUTES**

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- I. CALL TO ORDER .....9:06 A.M.**
- II. ROLL CALL ..... QUORUM MET**

TGs Sir Jason Barca and Dame Meira (Counts Royal, Kingdom of Terre Neuve) seated by voice vote.

Final Vote Count: 44 Present, 77 by Proxy, 37 Absent / Disqualified.

## **Adrian Empire**

Crown: HIM Sir Terrin Greyphis - Present

## **Al Wadi Al-Shahin, Shire**

Inactive

## **Albion, Kingdom**

Crown: Sir Gregor Pent vonSchoungau, & Katrinana MacBrus – Present

Marzo di Foresta e Morte: Sir Ian McDonald (Marquis) - Proxy, HG Sir William Baine

Contea di Convenienza: Sir Robert LaCroix (Count) - Proxy, HRM Sir Gregor

Contea di Mortis: Dame Kailene O'Shea – Proxy, HG Sir Warren Anthony

Dame Ashlinn Tiernan (Princess, Countess Royal, K3) – Disqualified, Admin. Judicial Ban

Sir Winfred (Earl Imperial) – Proxy, HIH Dame Katherine Marshal

Dame Anginette (Comtessa Imperial) – Proxy, HIH Dame Katherine Marshal

Sir Gwyllum ap DuDrane (Count Royal, K3) – Disqualified, Admin. Judicial Ban

Sir William Baine (Count Royal, K3) – Present

Sir Warren Anthony (Count Royal) – Present

Dame Madison de Malo (Countess Royal) - Proxy, HRM Sir Gregor

Sir Angus MacBrus (Count Royal) – Absent

Sir Draco Rivenoak (K3) – Proxy, HG Sir William Baine

Sir Ian McDonald of Connaught (K3) – Proxy, HG Sir William Baine

Dame Rose of Aberlone (K3) – Present

Sir Sivax Wartongue (K3) – Absent

Dame Innana (K3) – Disqualified, Admin. Judicial Ban

## **Alhambra, Archduchy**

Crown: Dame Gabrielle Silverhand – Proxy, HG Dame Marion Leal Durius

Barony: Clan Silverhand (Baron Ruadri Silverhand) – Proxy, HG Dame Marion Leal Durius

Barony: Banne Abhain (Baron Abbot Cryspin Mac Morigu) – Proxy, HRM Sir Jamie the Red

Dame Amara Vai'datha (K3) – Proxy, HIH Dame Katherine Marshal

## **Bedgraine, Shire**

No Roster Received

## **Bisqaia, Duchy**

Crown: Dame Eiliagh d'Aitzarra – Proxy, Sir Cagar

Barony of Bloodhaven – Proxy, Sir Cagar

House Kynligr Mjoor: Rhiannon Roysdotter – Proxy, Sir Cagar

## **Brandenburg, Archduchy**

Crown: Sir Arion Hirsch – Present

Barony Hoffbrau: Dame Juliana Hirsch – Proxy, Sir Arion Hirsch

House Schtzhundheim: Lady Ellen Mac Pherson – Present

Sir Terrin Greyphis (Count Royal, K3) – Present

Sir Arion Hirsch (K3) – Present

Dame Juliana Hirsch (K3) – Proxy, Sir Arion Hirsch

Dame Lenora Greyphis (K3) – Present

Sir Erik Harbinger (Prince) – Present

Sir Jordan (K3) – Proxy, Dame Lenora Greyphis

**Burgandy, Shire**

Crown: Sir Antoine de Burgandy (Viceroy) - Proxy HG Dame Claire Tonnesdtr  
 Sir Antoine de Burganday (Founder) - Proxy HG Dame Claire Tonnesdtr

**Cambridge, Shire**

Baron Francesco Gaetano (K2) – Proxy, Dame Lenora Greyphis  
 Dame Ariana RuddCatha (K2) – Proxy, Dame Nisha Rosalia

**Carolingia, Shire**

Inactive

**Cashel, Duchy**

Crown: Sir Kaeyron – Proxy, HG Sir Tailan Bran McNeil  
 Barony Rising Sun: Sir Karl, Dame Patricia – Proxy, HG Sir Tailan Bran McNeil  
 House Dragon's Bane: Lord William Russell (Lord) – Proxy, HG Sir Tailan Bran McNeil

**Castilles, Kingdom**

Crown: Sir Derfel (King) & Dame Wynn (Queen) – Present  
 March Hygrove: Dame Wynn (Marquessa) – Present  
 March Leon: Dame Evelyn Taliaferro (Marquessa) – Proxy, HRM Dame Wynn  
 County of Stella Notte: Lady Numue (Countess) – Proxy, HRM Sir Derfel  
 County Estrella Dorada: Dame Ciara Forester (countess) – Proxy, HRM Sir Derfel  
 Dame Zabrine de vine (K3) – Proxy, HRM Dame Wynn  
 Sir Alfred (K3) Count Royal – Proxy, HRM Sir Derfel  
 Sir Thomas Earl Royal – Proxy, HII Lord Wright Bentwood  
 Sir Derfel (Earl Royal) – Present

**Chesapeake, Duchy**

Crown: Dame Daniella Vaime (Duchess) – Absent  
 House Bluenose: D'Artagan (Captain) – Absent  
 House Isis: Lord Nigal – Absent  
 Sir Aerindane McLorie (K3) - Absent

**Constantinople, Duchy**

Crown: Sir Le'Bete – Proxy, Dame Lenora Greyphis  
 House McGowan: Luke McGowan (Lord) – Proxy, Dame Lenora Greyphis  
 Barony of Antioch: Dame Cassiopia – Proxy, Dame Lenora Greyphis  
 Sir Ivan Mannochemore (Count Royal) – Proxy, Dame Lenora Greyphis  
 Dame Etaine (K3 Countess Royal) – Proxy, HII Lord Wright Bentwood

**Esperance, Kingdom**

Crown: Sir Jamie the Red (King) & Dame Katherine Marshal Marhal of London (Queen) – Present  
 Barony of Bloodstone: Sir Allen Maclan MacMahon (Baron) – Absent  
 Barony of Amalfi: Don Giovanni D' Lorentzo (Baron) – Absent  
 Dame Katherine Marshall of London (Princess, Countess Royal, K3) – Present  
 Dame Maedb Hawkins (Princess, Countess Royal, K3) – Proxy, HRM Sir Jamie the Red  
 Sir Jehan Von Hapsburg (Prince, Count Royal) – Proxy, HII Dame Katherine Marshal  
 Dame Willow de Rara (Countess Royal, K3) – Proxy, HRM Sir Jamie the Red  
 Sir William Ce'Wolf (Earl) – Proxy, HRM Sir Jamie the Red  
 Sir Coda der Drachsohn (Count Royal, K3) – Proxy, HRM Sir Jamie the Red  
 Dame Marion Leal Durius (Countess Royal) – Present  
 Sir James of Bloodstone (K3) – Absent  
 Sir Jamie the Red (K3) – Present  
 Sir Donovan Cadnawon (Count Royal, K3) – Proxy, HRM Sir Jamie the Red  
 Sir Connor o'Riordan (K3) – Absent  
 Sir Caspin (Crown Royal) – Proxy, HRM Sir Jamie the Red  
 Sir Sergai (Crown Royal) – Proxy, HRM Sir Jamie the Red

**Galloway, Shire**

Vicerine: Dame Sapphire Jade – Disqualified, Lack of Attendance

**Gloucester, Duchy**

Crown: Sir Elric – Absent

Haus der Bogenschutze: Lady Fiona (Lady) – Proxy, HRM Dame Wynn

Sir Dorn das Schwarz Brause (Knight Civil) – Proxy, HRM Dame Wynn

**Isle de Mort, Duchy**

Crown: Duchess Dame Nisha Rosalia – Present

Barony Red Wyvern: Sir Waldham von Thorson (Baron) – Present

House Sea Raven: Sir Michael Sinestro (Lord) – Proxy, Dame Nisha Rosalia

Sir Pavo Rosalia (K3, Earl, Prince) – Proxy, Dame Nisha Rosalia

Sir Philippe duBois Gulbert (K3, Earl) – Proxy, Dame Nisha Rosalia

Dame Nisha Rosalia (Countess Royal) – Present

Sir Waldham von Thorson (K3, Earl) – Present

Sir Angus Kilshannig (K3) – Present

Sir Michael Sinestro (K3) – Proxy, Dame Nisha Rosalia

**Kinkora, Archduchy**

Crown - Sir Finenniah MacLeod – Proxy, HIIH Lord Wright Bentwood

County of Tarterus: Lord Wright Bentwood – Present

Baron of Duvangan: Sir Pasior the Mad Russian – Proxy, HIIH Lord Wright Bentwood

Don Amador (Count Royal) – Proxy, HIIH Lord Wright Bentwood

Dame Ana Llewelyn (K3) – Proxy, HIIH Lord Wright Bentwood

Lord Wright Bentwood (Prince, Count Royal, K3) – Present

Sir Boru (Count Royal) – Proxy, HIIH Lord Wright Bentwood

**Lowenburg, Shire**

Roster not received

**New Exeter, Duchy**

Duke Christopher Blackthorne – Absent

House Blackthorne - Absent

**Pembroke, Duchy**

Crown: Sir Alric Thorne – Proxy, HRM Sir Derfel

Sir Alaric Thorne (K3) – Proxy, HRM Sir Derfel

Barony Canterbury – Proxy, HRM Sir Derfel

Barony Rohan: Dame Istalina de Angoumois – Proxy, HRM Sir Derfel

Sir Orso (K3) – Disqualified, Lack of Attendance

**Sangrael, Shire**

Roster Received but no Proxies Given

**Somerset, Duchy**

Crowns - Sir Wilhelmus (Duke) & Dame Elisabeth Blizce (Duchess) – Proxy, HG Sir Tailan Bran McNeil

House Del Sol - Dame HeldoraEgilsdottire (Lady) – Proxy, HG Sir Tailan Bran McNeil

Barony Blue Maid - Dame Constance(Baroness) – Proxy, Imperial Chancery

**Terre Neuve, Kingdom**

Crown: Sir Callon Bryn Correy (King) – Present

March of Where Dat Al Row: Dame Kendra (Marquessa) – Present

County Terre Amata: Sir Angus McLean de McDonnon (Count) – Present

County of Gotte Ritter und Shoen Frauen: Sir Ciaran (Count) – Proxy, HG Sir Tailan Bran McNeil

Sir Nikolai McClean Belski von Hapsburg (Prince, Count Royal) – Present

Sir Johan Warhammer Von Hoenstaufen (Earl) – Proxy, HG Sir Tailan Bran McNeil

Dame Kendra Finster McFayden (Countess Royal, K3) – Present

Sir Madoc McDonnon (Count Royal) – Proxy, HG Dame Kendra Finster McFayden

Dame Claire Tonnesdtr (K3) (Countess Royal) – Present

Sir Angus McLean de McDonnon (Count Royal) – Present

Sir Hucheon Blackheart (Count Royal) - Disqualified, Lack of Attendance

Sir Tailan Bran McNeil (Earl) – Present

Dame Anne Bryce of Kinraig (Countess Royal) – Proxy, HG Sir Tailan Bran McNeil  
Sir Jason Barca (Count Royal) – Present  
Dame Meira (Countess Royal) – Proxy, HG Sir Jason Barca

**Umbria, Kingdom**

Crown: Sir Cameron and Dame Cocah Anatolii – Present  
County Chimera: Sir Ullis Rowden Blackarrow (Count) – Absent  
Barony Dragon's Lair: Dame Drakonia E. Devona (Baroness) – Absent  
Dame Aislynn de Chartier (Princess, Countess) – Proxy, HRM Dame Cocah Anatolii  
Dame Margarita duBois (Countess Royal, K3) – Absent  
Dame Ravyn Sophia Bella Donna (Countess Royal) – Disqualified, Lack of Attendance  
Sir Ullis Rowden Blackarrow of Boyd (Count Royal, K3) – Absent  
Dame Shahara Destiny (Countess Royal) – Present  
Sir Cameron Kilshannig FitzCannon (K3) – Present  
Dame Serene (K3) – Absent  
Sir Jean Mariq le Treson (Count Royal, K3) – Proxy, HRM Dame Cocah Anatolii  
Sir James the Red (Count Royal) - Proxy, TRMs Sir Cameron & Dame Cocah Anatolii  
Sir Knighthawk le Treson (Count Royal) – Disqualified, Lack of Attendance  
Dame Drakonia E. Devona (K3) – Absent  
Sir Duncan Wallace (K3) – Proxy, HG Sir Liam Lust  
Sir Liam Lust (Count Royal) - Present

**Valencia, Shire**

Crown: Sir Rhydderch – Disqualified, Lack of Attendance

**Vingulf, Duchy**

Crown: Sir Puck – Absent  
Barony Seawulf: Lady Brie – Absent  
Ship Seawulf: Sir Kobold – Absent  
Dame Merula(K3) – Absent  
Caoimhe O'Raghalligh (Countess Royal, K3) – Absent  
Sir Puck (K3) - Absent

**York, Kingdom**

Crown: Queen Rosa Fiend and King Hawthorn De Tallyrand-Perigord – Present  
March of Tir De Righ: Sir Gar Graywolf (Marquis) – Proxy, HRM Dame Rosa Fiend  
County of Contae Duir: Sir Polonius Fiend (Count) – Proxy, HRM Dame Rosa Fiend  
Barony of Dinn-Righ: Dame Cerridwyn Emalia Fiend (Baroness) – Proxy, HRM Dame Rosa Fiend  
Dame Brejenne Cunningham (Countess Royal) - Disqualified, Lack of Attendance  
Sir Killian Oakesblood (Count Royal, K3) - Disqualified, Lack of Attendance  
Sir Elric Meladius (Count Royal, K3) - Disqualified, Lack of Attendance  
Dame Skye O'Malley Meladius (Countess Royal, K3)-Disqualified Lack of Attendance  
Sir Gavin McAllister (K3) - Disqualified, Lack of Attendance  
Sir Raffe Cunningham (K3) - Disqualified, Lack of Attendance  
Sir Nickademus Fiend (K3) – Proxy, HRM Dame Rosa Fiend  
Dame Cerridwyn Emalia Fiend (K3) – Proxy, HRM Dame Rosa Fiend  
Dame Fionnghualla inghean Ruaidhri (Countess Royal) – Proxy, HRM Dame Rosa Fiend  
Dame Josephine Oakesblood (Count Royal, K3) – Disqualified, Member not in good standing  
Dame Jericho Gutte D'Or (Countess Royal, K3) – Disqualified, Member not in good standing  
Sir Polonius (Count Royal, K3) – Proxy, HRM Dame Rosa Fiend

### III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES..... **APPROVED**

*Approved by voice vote.*

Approval of the minutes of the March 2008 Imperial Estates Meeting.

### IV. REPORTS ..... **READ**

*Motion to form committee to investigate any outstanding issues related to the operation of the BoD and the Steward/Treasurer's Office and report their findings to the BoD and the Imperial Estates.*

A preliminary report to be produced no later than Imperial Crown War and posted on the Adrian Empire Imperial Estates Yahoo E-Group, and a final report to be published no later than as the November IEM agenda.

Publish contact info for those wishing to submit info.

Bryan Keneally (Chair of committee)

Bill Haldeman

Ethan Marcus (Secretary)

Chris Bagnall

Jessica Silvers

Clyde Games

*Approved (105 in favor, 17 abstentions)*

*Motion to waive notice to consider authorizing funds for audits approved by voice vote.*

*Motion to add \$2500 to the \$1000 already authorized for financial review and audit approval (99 in favor, 6 opposed).*

*Comment: The Chancellor voices the objection on behalf of those unable to attend in order to discuss much less vote such a weighty issue.*

### V. CROWN BUSINESS

#### CRB1. Charters..... **SEE NOTES**

All Subdivisions who have not reported in a timely manner, and are not in communication to correct their deficits, and all Subdivisions who do not maintain the numbers for their status will be placed on the November Imperial Agenda for voluntary reduction in status. Reporting is required and not doing so makes it difficult to determine the status of the Empire. Additionally, all Subdivisions are required to maintain a specific number of members to establish and retain their status within Adria. This is in accordance with Imperial Bylaws. We also request that all Subdivisions submit, to Us directly, a copy of their Writs and Codicils for review. Once approved, the Crown of the subdivision will be notified and the documentation placed under their region on the Imperial Website. Additionally, if your current Charter does not appear on the Website, you are responsible for contacting us, in writing, to ensure that is corrected.

#### a. **Place shires on inactive list**

*Requires no action.*

The following shires are under numbers or have been inactive and have been suspended:

- Galloway
- Lancaster
- Ravenna

#### b. **Reactivate inactive shire**

The following shires have membership and their charters have been reactivated:

- None



**c. Recognize new shire**

The following shires have membership and their charter will be issued:

- None

**d. Charter Elevations**

*Requires no action.*

The following subdivisions have met the membership status to be elevated from Duchies to Archduchies:

- Bisqaia
- Kincora

**e. Charter Reductions**

*Amendment of Cambridge charter approved by voice vote.*

- The Archduchy of Vingulf has been reduced to Duchy status to reflect its current size. (*Requires no action.*)
- Voluntary reduction of borders of Cambridge, as approved by the Cambridge Estates (*Requires majority.*)

**f. Charter Revocations**

*Requires no action.*

The following shires have had their charters revoked:

- Ekaterinegorod
- Sangrael
- Valencia

Note: Membership renewals are due July 1st. Any Subdivisions below numbers will be put on notice at the July Imperial Estates Meeting and listed for size reduction in the numbers are not up to requirements for the November Meeting.

**CRB2. Repeal Current Arts Judging Form ..... APPROVED; SEE NOTES**

*Approved (62 in favor, 48 opposed). Motion to delay enactment until after the Imperial Crown War failed (41 in favor, 69 opposed). Motion to publish immediately approved (86 in favor, 24 opposed)*

*Note: The Imperial Crown also clarified the Imperial Crown position that a Master Work requires all judges to give a score of 30+ rather than an average of a 30.*

Repeal the usage of the Arts & Sciences Judging Score Sheet last approved by the Imperial Estates and return to using the matrix as a guideline in judging.

*Commentary:*

*There has been much dissatisfaction in judging the Arts. To that end, a new judging form was created and passed into usage by a narrow vote of the Imperial Estates. Now that the form has been in use, there seems to be even more dissatisfaction of our arts judging system. If the new form makes things worse, let's start by going back a step while we continue to look at ways to improve the system.*

**CRB3. Amend Current Arts Judging Form ..... WITHDRAWN****Option A.**

Change the footer from "White -- Imperial Minister of Rolls" to "(optional) White -- Imperial Minister of Rolls" and agree that NCR forms are not required.

**Option B.**

Make it known that NCR forms are required to be used for Arts judging sheets.



## VI. CHANCERY BUSINESS

### CH1. Update Regions of the Empire..... **UPDATED**

*Requires no Action.*

#### Region 1. (West)

Alhambra  
Al-Wadi Al-Shahin  
Brandenburg  
Carolingia  
Esperance  
Gloucester  
Sangrael  
Terre Neuve

#### Region 2. (Middle)

Albion  
Bisqaia  
Ekaterinegorod  
Isle De Mort  
Lancaster  
Lowenburg  
New Exeter  
Umbria  
Vingulf

#### Region 3. (East)

Burgandy  
Cambridge  
Castilles  
Cashel  
Chesapeake  
Constantinople  
Galloway  
Kincora  
Pembroke  
Ravenna  
Somerset  
Templemor  
Valencia  
York

### CH2. Judicial Decisions ..... **NONE RECEIVED**

In accordance with Imperial Estates Writ #2, 12, Codex Adjudicata Article IV.8.

### CH3. Replace Rolls and Lists Manual ..... **NO ACTION**

*No action taken.*

Replace the current version of the Rolls and Lists Manual. Will follow separately.

*Author: HIM Sir Terrin Greyphis*

### CH4. Approve candidates for Imperial Crown ..... **APPROVED**

*Motion to divide the question failed (48 in favor, 51 opposed). Approved (93 in favor, 2 abstentions).*

**Article VI.E.4.a.** at this Meeting of the Estates, the Imperial Estates shall: qualify and determine acceptability of Imperial candidates.

**Article XVI.B.1.b. Candidacy:** The chancellor shall notify the populace to submit letters of intent to contend for the Imperial Crown, which shall:

- Be submitted to the Chancellor in writing
- Be received at, or before, closing court of Memorial Weekend War (Interim Imperial Civil War)
- Indicate the prospective Crown, and co-ruler or consort

**Article XVI.B.2.a. Eligibility:** The Imperial Chancellor shall consult with the Imperial Minister of Rolls and the Imperial Steward\* to determine eligibility. Records of these two Imperial Ministers shall be considered for this determination. A member who fails to meet the qualifications for Crown shall be notified in writing as to the reasons. (*\*In the case of any discrepancy or disagreement, the Imperial Steward's records are considered to be binding. The Imperial Steward will entertain evidence from all sources available before making a binding determination.*)

**Article XVI.B.2.b. Acceptability:** The Imperial Chancellor shall convene the Imperial Estates General at the regularly scheduled meeting in July, who shall determine the acceptability of each contender to hold the Imperial Crown. If the consort is to be a co-ruler, then their acceptability shall be also examined. If a member is judged as unacceptable by the Imperial Estates General, they shall be notified in writing as to the reason.

Vote to Approve:

- Sir Derfel Cadaron Earl of Castilles & Dame Claire Tonnesdtr Countess Royal of Terre Neuve
- Dame Lenora Greyphis Viscountess of Brandenburg & Sir L'Bet'e deAcmd Viscount of Kincora

## CH5. Vote for President and Vice President of the Board of Directors for Adrian Empire Inc. .... **SEE NOTES**

*William Haldeman and Warren A. Mitchell elected. (93 for William and Warren, 19 for Clyde and Bill, 1 for George W. Bush).*

Vote to Elect (One pair only)

- William K. Haldeman, Candidate for President & Warren A. Mitchell, Candidate for Vice-President
- Clyde Games, Candidate for President & Bill Lukey, Candidate for Vice-President.

## CH6. Creation of Restricted fund for Start Up Costs for Chartered Subdivisions ..... **APP. AS AMENDED**

*Friendly amendment to strike 12-month requirement to repay accepted by the author. (Chancery will clean up the language). Approved as amended (105 in favor)*

1. Request that we establish a restricted fund (same as Imperial Travel Fund - funded by book sales by Dame Katherine Marshal) for startup or state registration expenses for those Chapters unable to finance these costs when due. This fund to be initiated by rolling over restricted funds no longer required by closed or defunct Chapters at the end of 2 years. In addition, those Chapters who were subsidized from this account would agree to repay the fund ~~within a 12-months period or make arrangements to replace the funds so funds will be available future requirements.~~
2. Move 405.46 of former Chartered Subdivision Andorra into this Fund (Andorra has not seen activity since March 2006)

*Commentary: We have not registered in states we are currently doing business in. This is being corrected by registering in California, and Oregon to date. Cambridge has been unable to collect site fees or hold fund raisers as required by State of New York and New Jersey. As they have not been able to hold fund raisers, they need the initial set up cost. By establishing and maintained this restricted fund, we would be able to assist in the state registration or other viable start up fees and not affect current budgets.*

## VII. OLD BUSINESS

### OB1. Rename the terms “Chartered Subdivisions” and “Subdivisions” .... **APPROVED**

*Approved by voice vote.*

**Current Definition (Glossary of Bylaws):**

Chartered Subdivision - This refers to a Kingdom, Archduchy, Duchy, or Shire.

Subdivision - This refers to a March, County, Barony or Household.

#### Item 1: Rename the term “Chartered Subdivisions”

Replace all references to “Chartered Subdivisions” with “Chapter” in all sections of bylaws, Lex Adria, writs and manuals.

#### Item 2: Rename the term “Subdivisions”

Replace all references to “Subdivisions” with “Estate” in all sections of bylaws, writs, Lex Adria and manuals.

*Note from Chancellery: This item was given to the Chancellery at the request of the Estates to create terms in the bylaws to refer to these areas within the Empire and remove the confusion many members have with the current terms. The term "Subdivision" is currently used in the manuals in multiple ways which creates great confusion. Worse, the word "Subdivision" is taken from the mundane corporate world and the organizational body that it defines is not what we have when we talk about "Chartered Subdivisions." "Chapter" is used throughout the mundane world with national groups like ours. Regarding the use of the other term, when people ask, "What do you mean by a non-chartered subdivision?" the answer is, "an estate." Since we all better understand the term "Estate" to refer to a March, County, Barony, or Household, let's just use that word.*

## OB2. Amend Imperial Estates Writ #2, 12 Codex Adjudicata Article IV. Conduct of Judicial Courts ..... **NO ACTION**

*Remains on the table.*

### Amend to Read:

Once complaints have been presented in writing to the appropriate Minister of Justice or Magistrate, the Minister of Justice shall have no more than 30 days to evaluate them and determine if they are legitimate charges and warrant trial, unless proper cause is submitted in writing to the Crown and Imperial Chancery that more time is necessary. If they are so determined, the following procedures shall be followed.

1. The Minister of Justice shall notify the named defendants in writing. This shall be done in any of the following methods
  - Hand delivered
  - Via fax
  - Via email
  - Via mail
  - Via phone conversation (In order to setup a meeting to hand deliver)

Notification of a vassal's Liege-Lord shall qualify as notification of the individual.

2. **Mediation must be attempted within 20 days of the date that the complaint was found to have merit. Either party may refuse mediation. Mediation may be conducted through electronic media (e-mail correspondence with known legal e-mail addresses), so long as all parties are involved and the Ministry of Justice maintains a written record. If mediation fails, or is refused by either party, the complaint shall become a set of charges.**
3. Once notified the defendant shall be informed that the date of the trial shall not be less than thirty days of this notification unless the defendant requests Immediate Justice. Immediate Justice shall be defined as within 30 days. If the trial is to be held concurrent to a sanctioned event, the trial shall not be conducted during any scheduled activities at an event, but shall occur during breaks, before, or after the event itself.
4. The Magistrate/Minister of Justice will then request the defendant to choose a date for their trial, **which must occur within one (1) year from the date the set of charges is filed.** This date must be acceptable to Magistrate/Minister of Justice, Crown and plaintiff as well as the defendant. **If the defendant has not set a date within 6 months from the date the set of charges is filed, the Magistrate/Minister of Justice has 30 days to set a trial date to occur within the remaining 6 months.**
5. The Magistrate/Minister of Justice shall select the time and place of the trial, provided Immediate Justice was not called for, in which case it will take place during the next Scheduled event. The Date, Time, and Place of this trial shall be published in the Adrian Herald as well as announced at the next Crown Event, unless Immediate Justice is demanded.
6. **If the defendant fails to appear at the prescribed time, date, and location of the trial, they may be tried in absentia, and the Magistrate/Minister of Justice will allow any of the trial attendees to speak on behalf of the defendant.**
7. The Defendant shall be afforded every opportunity to prepare a defense. This will include but not be limited to reviewing evidence and questioning witnesses. The plaintiff shall also be afforded this same opportunity to prepare their case. This "Period of Discovery" shall continue until forty-eight (48) hours prior to trial at which point all witness lists and evidence lists shall be frozen and reviewed by the Magistrate. This may be appealed **by** to the Magistrate during the trial, and the opposing ~~council~~ Counsel shall have an opportunity to argue against such an appeal, after which the Magistrate shall decide if the added testimony/evidence shall be heard.
8. All open Judicial Proceedings shall be videotaped, audio taped (or equivalent), and copies of the tape provided to the Imperial Chancery.

- 9. Lastly, it shall be understood throughout Adrian Courts that the primary responsibility of the Court is to determine the Truth of the Matter. ~~That this~~ This Search for the Truth shall be the over-riding determinate in the process, and not procedure. Objections due to procedure should be discouraged if they may be used to hide or diffuse the truth.
- 10. All court decisions must be published as an appendix to the next Imperial Estates Agenda.

**Additional Option #1**

The above proposal is to be adopted retroactively.

**OB3. Amend Imperial Estates Writ 2, 12 Codex Adjudicata to Create an Independent Judiciary.....NO ACTION**

*Remains on the table.*

**Option 1**

For all Adrian Courts, Civil and Justice, Magistrates and Justices shall be selected randomly.

For Magistrates, annually, at each level and in all subdivisions, the Crown shall nominate candidates who are knowledgeable in Adrian Law; the Estates shall consider the nominees and may approve appointment by a majority to serve for two years. The process shall continue until three Magistrates are approved. A vacancy shall be filled by the same process to fill the term. Magistrates may be removed by a 2/3rds vote of the Estates, judicial sentence for conviction of Adrian or mundane crime, or revocation of membership. Magistrates shall be suspended during a limited judicial ban or suspension of membership. The process is repeated each year and may result in up to six Magistrates serving at any time.

For a Civil Court, the names of the former: Crowns, Chancellors, and MoJs, of the level or subdivision, shall be written on cards, shuffled and drawn by the magistrate. As each is drawn, he shall be called upon to serve, when three agree to serve impartially, they are empanelled. If three are not able or available to serve, the names of the landed Nobles of the rank of Baron or higher and the highest level of Knights available shall be added to the pool.

For a Court of Justice, the names of the landed Nobles of the level (rulers of Marches for an Imperial Court) or subdivision (of the rank of Baron or higher), shall be written on cards, shuffled and drawn by the magistrate. As each is drawn, he shall be called upon to serve, when three agree to serve impartially, they are empanelled. If three are not able or available to serve, the names of the landed Nobles of the next lower rank and all Knights shall be added to the pool.

For a Court of Chivalry, the names of all the Knights of the level (K3s for an Imperial Court) or subdivision shall be written on cards, shuffled and drawn by the magistrate. As each is drawn, he shall be called upon to serve, when three agree to serve impartially, they are empanelled. If three are not able or available to serve, the names of the Knights of the nearest chartered subdivisions shall be added to the pool.

**Option 2**

Replace the current court structure with an investigating magistrate system. A panel of three magistrates is convened for each case to investigate, mediate, or adjudicate and sentence. Appeals would be made to the appropriate Crown or Estates.

Selection of Magistrates, annually, at each level and in all subdivisions, the Crown shall nominate candidates who are knowledgeable in Adrian Law; the Estates shall consider the nominees and may approve appointment by a majority to serve for two years. The process shall continue until three Magistrates are approved. A vacancy shall be filled by the same process to fill the term. Magistrates may be removed by a 2/3rds vote of the Estates, judicial sentence for conviction of Adrian or mundane crime, or revocation of membership. Magistrates shall be suspended during a limited judicial ban or suspension of membership. The process is repeated each year and may result in up to six Magistrates serving at any time.

**OB4. Amend Article III.A. Number of Directors..... SEE NOTES**

*Motion to divide the question (Original proposal from Options) approved by voice vote. Original proposal approved (80 in favor, 33 opposed). Motion to reconsider failed. Motion to table the options to New Business for discussion approved by voice vote. Body recommended that the options be rewritten.*

**Amend to read:**

The number of Directors shall be ~~seven (7)~~ nine (9). ~~The Emperor and the Empress shall always be President and Vice President and serve a one-year term (may be extended in compliance with successive terms as Emperor and Empress).~~ The Imperial Estates General shall elect the President and Vice-President to serve one-year terms. Each may be re-elected to one successive term. The Imperial Steward shall serve as Treasurer and may serve successive terms (as this is an appointed position by the Imperial Crown).

The Imperial Estates General will elect the remaining ~~four (4)~~ six (6) directors of the Board of Directors from among the paid membership of the Adrian Empire by a simple majority vote; those elected shall serve two-year terms. ~~The directors-at-large shall be comprised of two (2) members from each region (1, 2, and 3) as defined in Imperial Estates Writ 21a. Two (2) Three (3)~~ of these directors shall be elected each year, thus staggering the election.

Directors elected by the Imperial Estates General that become President, Vice President, or Imperial Steward during the second year of their term vacate their seat; the remaining year of their term shall be filled by a one-year appointment, elected by the Imperial Estates General. Candidates may be self-nominated.

The retiring President and the Imperial Chancellor shall have non-voting, advisory memberships on the Board of Directors. They will not be considered as Directors.

**Option 1**

The Board of Directors that is seated in November shall appoint the Treasurer to serve a one-year term. The Treasurer may serve successive terms.

**Option 2**

The Imperial Estates General shall elect the Treasurer to serve a one-year term. The Treasurer may be elected to one successive term.

**Option 3**

Consider if Option 1 or Option 2 is approved: The Treasurer shall serve as Imperial Steward.

*Note: If not, the positions would be separated.*

*Chancery Note: If approved it will be enacted in November 2008. Region 1 currently has no members-at-large, Region 2 has 2 members-at-large, and Region 3 also has 2 members-at-large.*

**OB5. Adopt Resolution to have a plan in place to hold combat scenarios at night in case of Extreme Heat at IWW ..... WITHDRAWN**

*Withdrawn by voice vote.*

Authorize additional monies for Imperial War West to provide lights to fight at night when it is much cooler, which will allow us to continue using the same site.

*Author: HG Sir Tailan Bran McNeil*

*Sponsor: HG Dame Anne Bryce of Kincaig*

**OB6. Amend Article III. Board of Directors to elect Treasurer, limit terms of Board of Directors members..... REFERRED**

*Tabled to New Business for discussion by voice vote. Body recommended that the item be rewritten.*

All members of the BOD will be elected. The Chancellor, Steward, former President, and any other members found acceptable by the Board will serve in an advisory capacity. They may offer advice, expertise, and research and report on current issues. They may not hold a vote.

The Steward will serve as the Secretary for the BOD and will be responsible for creating Agendas, taking minutes, and posting them to the BOD group and other appropriate reporting forums.

BOD members will serve terms as follows:

- President/Vice President-as defined under Office of the Imperial Crown
- Treasurer elected to a two-year term-responsible for all mundane financial obligations of the organization including, but not limited to; filing taxes, authorizing checks, maintaining expense reports, and maintaining bank account information (including set-up of new accounts). *Note: The Steward of the Empire will be responsible for collecting and maintaining memberships, maintaining contact lists and paperwork, and will be a signatory on the bank account while working with the treasurer.*
- Members-at-Large-elected to a rotating 2-year term as currently defined.
- The treasurer and Members-at-large will be limited to two (2) consecutive terms.

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*Co-Sponsor: HRM Katriana MacBrus (Queen, Albion)*

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**Option 3**

Consider if Option 1 or Option 2 is approved: The Treasurer shall serve as Imperial Steward.

*Note: If not, the positions would be separated.*

**OB7. Limit the Imperial Crown to a single year (No consecutive years)..... FAILED**

*Motion to divide the question (Original proposal, friendly amendment removing "Pax Regium") failed by voice vote. Failed (42 in favor, 53 opposed)*

Remove all references to a consecutive year and pax regium in reference to the Imperial Crowns. Change to the Imperial Crown cannot succeed themselves, and allow Kingdoms to adopt local writs in regarding the reigns of King and Queen limiting them to a single reign without conflicting with Imperial Law.

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**OB8. Retirement Titles: Ducal and Archducal Crowns .....FAILED**

*Counterproposal failed (46 in favor, 62 opposed). Original Proposal failed by voice vote.*

Allow retiring titles with Imperial Voting privileges to be given those who have served as the Crown of an Archduchy or Duchy.

**Amend to Read:****Article VI.D. CHARTERED SUBDIVISION GOVERNING BODY; SUMMONING MEETINGS**

The governing body of a chartered subdivision is the Estates General. This body shall be composed of:

**Estates Royal** (King/Queen, Prince/Princess, Archduke/Archduchess, Duke/Duchess, Viceroy/Vicerine\*)

**Estates Major** (Lord/Lady Protector, Count/Countess Royal, **Viscount/Viscountess**, Marquis/Marquessa, Founder, **Baron/Baroness Royal**, and Third-Level Knight)

**Estates Minor** (Count/Countess, Barony Baron/Baroness, Second-Level Knight, Household Lord/Lady)

**Article VIII.B. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR CROWNS/RULING NOBLES**

1. The Imperial Crown must have:

Attained the second level of Knightly Rank

~~Held a Royal Crown with a successful completion of reign (or completed the pax regium if a first time Crown and the Estates General vote that the reign has been successful) or served as a Duke for six (6) months or longer with a successful completion of reign.~~

~~Has served as the head of a chartered sub-division (Kingdom, Archduchy and/or Duchy); and has been granted a retirement title (such as Count/Countess Royal, Viscount/Viscountess and/or Baron/Baroness Royal) for a successful completion of reign. This Reign must have lasted at least for six (6) months.~~

**Article IX.D.13**

Viscount/Viscountess

Title granted to a retired ruler of an Archduchy for a successful term of office. ~~(Non-voting)~~ Part of the Estates Major. (Voting)

**Article IX.D.14**

**Baron/Baroness Royal**

Title granted to a retired ruler of a Duchy for a successful term of office. Part of the Estates Major. (Voting)

**Article IX.D.15**

Baron/Baroness of the Court/Empire

~~a.~~ Court title awarded by the Imperial, Royal and/or Ducal Crown, as per Article VI.F.3 and VIII.D. (Non-voting)

~~b. Title granted to a retired ruler of a Duchy for a successful term of office. (Non-voting)~~

*Author's Note: A Count/Countess Royal who is a retired Crown of a Kingdom is granted a vote on the Imperial Estates, and this is great training for when they desire to run for the Imperial Seat. It affords them an opportunity to be a decision making body in their own right in the Imperial Estates; as well as keeps them active on the Imperial Estates between the end of their term and when they do decide to run for the Imperial Seat. But, this same privilege and training is denied to retired Dukes/Duchesses and Archdukes/Archduchess, who are likewise contenders for the Imperial Seat. This is most likely due to an oversight when the Duchies were re-designed from being what the Shires are now. This proposal merely seeks to rectify this oversight and afford those retired Dukes/Duchesses and retired Archdukes/Archduchesses the same privilege of remaining active on the Imperial Estates after their tenure of office has ended.*

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*Sponsors: HG Sir Johan von Hohenstaufen (Earl of Terre Neuve)*



## Counterproposal

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### Article IX.D.14

Baron/Baroness Royal: Title granted to a retired ruler of a Duchy for a successful term of office. **Part of the Estates Minor. (Voting)**

***Commentary:** With the talk about trying to limit the amount of personal votes on the Imperial level, a Count/Countess Royal, who is a retired Crown of a Kingdom, is granted a vote on the Imperial Estates this same privilege and training is denied to retired Dukes/Duchesses and Archdukes/Archduchies. This is most likely due to an oversight when the Duchies were re-designed from being what the Shires are now.*

*This Counterproposal merely seeks to rectify this oversight and afford those retired Dukes/Duchesses and retired Archdukes/Archduchesses the similar privilege by allowing them to remain active on their Local Estates after their tenure of office has ended to help shape and lead their Subdivision on it's way to Kingdom Status.*

***Author:** HRM Sir Cameron Kilshannig (King of Umbria, Knight Premier)*

***Sponsor:** HG Sir Tailan Bran McNeil (Earl Royal)*

## OB9. Ladies-in-waiting, Squires, Men-at-arms and Pages.....**FAILED**

*Failed (47 in favor, 49 opposed). Chancery note to be added clarifying section.*

### Amend to read:

#### 19. Squires

Those who exchange pledges of fealty with knights for special training. (Non-voting)

#### 20. Men-at-arms

Those who exchange pledges of fealty with nobles, knights, or non-knights for special training. (Nonvoting)

#### 21. Ladies-in-waiting, Gentlemen-of-the-chamber

Those who exchange pledges of fealty with nobles, knights for special training. (Non-voting)

#### 22. Pages

Those who exchange pledges of fealty with nobles, knights, or non-knights for special training.

Usually a young person. (Non-voting)

***Author's Note:** This is probably a simple oversight, but if these are each various levels of fealty given, since a Knight has often been in the game longer than a noble (which one can become a noble by bringing 4 friends into the game and forming a house within a matter of months after joining), shouldn't the order of precedence favor the Squire?*

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***Sponsors:** HG Sir Johan von Hohenstaufen (Earl of Terre Neuve)*

**OB10. New Physicker Manual ..... TABLED**

*Tabled until New Business for discussion by voice vote. Remains on the table for lack of action to remove.*

Replace the current version of the Physicker Manual.

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*Sponsors: HIM Sir Terrin Greyphis (Imperial Crown), HG Sir Tailan Bran McNeil (Earl Royal)*

**OB11. Recognition of those who render Lifesaving Aid at an Event ..... FAILED**

*Failed by voice vote.*

The following three orders are meant to recognize those that render lifesaving aid (whether successful or not) to their fellow Adrians, but also a separate order to recognize those whose efforts were successful in the rendering of that aid.

Determination of "lifesaving aid" should be made in consultation of the current Imperial Minister of Physicks for definition of "lifesaving aid."

**The Order of St. Cosmas**

*Grants Precedence equal to a Lord or Lady of the Court*

*May stylize themselves as "Lord <Name>" or "Lady <Name>"*

*Nomination by: Ducal/Royal Minister of Physicks (or their Deputy)*

*Grantable by: Ducal/Royal Crowns*

*Note: The nomination body and granting body are separated since it is through the Physickers office that each qualifying event is recognized. In addition the terminology of "lifesaving aid" is a very pliable definition, and those that have been trained in First Aid/CPR are the ones who are able to help make a determination that if a certain action was "lifesaving" or not. This award is able to be granted whether or not the "lifesaving aid" was successful in outcome, as it is meant to recognize those that have above and beyond to render aid to those in need*

The Order of St. Cosmas is intended to recognize those men and women of Adria that have gone above and beyond the call of duty to render "lifesaving aid" at a Locally/Regionally sanctioned Adrian Empire Event.

It is difficult to render "lifesaving aid" to a stranger, and it is infinitely more difficult to render that same care to someone who you know. This order is able to be granted by the Local Crown after nomination by their local Minister of Physicks (or duly appointed deputy). Members are eligible for inclusion into the Order regardless of the outcome of the care which they have provided.

Upon ratification of the Order, any member who has rendered "lifesaving aid" at a Local/Regional Event during their tenure in the Adrian Empire is eligible to be nominated.

**The Imperial Order of St. Damian**

*Grants Precedence equal to a Lord or Lady of the Empire*

*May stylize themselves as "Lord <Name>" or "Lady <Name>"*

*Nomination by: Imperial Minister of Physicks (or their Deputy)*

*Grantable by: Imperial Crowns*

*Note: The nomination body and granting body are separated since it is through the Physickers office that each qualifying event is recognized. In addition the terminology of "lifesaving aid" is a very pliable definition, and those that have been trained in First Aid/CPR are the ones who are able to help make a determination that if a certain action was "lifesaving" or not. This award is able to be granted whether or not the "lifesaving aid" was successful in outcome, as it is meant to recognize those that have above and beyond to render aid to those in need*

The Imperial Order of St. Damian is intended to recognize those men and women of Adria that have gone above and beyond the call of duty to render "lifesaving aid" at an Imperially sanctioned Adrian Empire Event.

It is difficult to render "lifesaving aid" to a stranger, and it is infinitely more difficult to render that same care to someone who you know. This order is able to be granted by the Imperial Crown after nomination by the Imperial Minister of Physicks (or duly appointed deputy). Members are eligible for inclusion into the Order regardless of the outcome of the care which they have provided.

Upon ratification of the Order, any member who has rendered "lifesaving aid" at an Imperial Event during their tenure in the Adrian Empire is eligible to be nominated.

## The Imperial Order of St. Michael the Archangel

*Grants Precedence equal to a Baron or Baroness of the Empire*

*May stylize themselves as "Baron <Name>" or "Baroness <Name>"*

*Nomination by: Imperial Minister of Physicks (or their Deputy)*

*Grantable by: Imperial Crowns*

*Note: The nomination body and granting body are separated since it is through the Physickers office that each qualifying event is recognized. In addition the terminology of "lifesaving aid" is a very pliable definition, and those that have been trained in First Aid/CPR are the ones who are able to help make a determination that if a certain action was "lifesaving" or not. This award is able to be granted whether or not the "lifesaving aid" was successful in outcome, as it is meant to recognize those that have above and beyond to render aid to those in need*

The Imperial Order of St. Michael the Archangel is intended to recognize those men and women of Adria that have gone above and beyond the call of duty to render "lifesaving aid" at an officially sanctioned Adrian Empire Event (whether Imperial, Regional or Local).

It is difficult to render "lifesaving aid" to a stranger, and it is infinitely more difficult to render that same care to someone who you know. This order is able to be granted by the Imperial Crown after nomination by the Imperial Minister of Physicks (or duly appointed deputy). Members are eligible for inclusion into the Order for successfully providing "Lifesaving Aid" at any Event. [i.e. they provided CPR to a fallen member and that member survived the Cardiac Event, even if they perished for other reasons]

Upon ratification of the Order, any member who has successfully rendered "lifesaving aid" at an Event during their tenure in the Adrian Empire is eligible to be nominated.

**Author's Note:** *Something that Sir Darion Kiriakis of Cashel had asked me recently was "Is there an award or Order which recognizes those that render lifesaving aid, such as CPR, at an event? And if not why?" And to my knowledge there is no such order that recognizes those that have gone above and beyond to save a person's life. Rendering CPR is often difficult when you do not know the person, and it's made much more difficult when you actually do know them.*

*The following three orders are meant to recognize those that render lifesaving aid (whether successful or not) to their fellow Adrians, but also a separate order to recognize those whose efforts were successful in the rendering of that aid.*

*Determination of "lifesaving aid" should be made in consultation of the current Imperial Minister of Physicks for definition of "lifesaving aid."*

**Author:** HRG Sir Kaeyron A. Maethanos (Knight Civil, Knight Bachelor, Duke of Cashel, Deputy Imperial Minister of Physicks)

**Co-Sponsor:** Sir William Baine (Count Royal, Knight Premier, Knight Champion)

**OB12. Proposal to create a Rapier Knighthood Path ..... FAILED**

*Motion to suspend the rules or order failed (42 in favor, 64 opposed). CP1 Option 1 failed by voice vote. CP1 Option 2 failed by voice vote. Remainder of option disapproved (75 in favor, 28 opposed).*

**Current Law (proposed changes in red):**

## Combatant Roll

Heavy Renaissance will now count as Light Renaissance in Knightly progression (reference Imperial Estates Writ #13).

- a. Yeoman
  - i. Be authorized to enter the Sergeant's List as outlined in the Combat Manual and Marshal's Guidelines
  - ii. A member in good standing.
- b. Guardsman
  - i. Participation in three (3) Sergeants' Lists at Crown events.
- c. Sergeant
  - i. Participation in five (5) additional Sergeants' Lists at Crown events.
  - ii. One (1) win in a Sergeants' List at a Crown event.
  - iii. Participation in two (2) demonstrations.
  - iv. Be authorized to enter the Knight's List as outlined in the Combat Manual and Marshal's Guidelines
- d. Knight Bachelor
  - i. Participation in ten (10) Knights' Lists at Crown events.
  - ii. One (1) win in the Knights' Lists at a Crown event.
  - iii. Participation in one (1) war
  - iv. Participation in three (3) additional demonstrations.
- e. Knight Banneret (2nd level)
  - i. Participation in eighteen (18) additional **Armored** lists at Crown events.
  - ii. Five (5) additional wins in the **Armored** Lists at Crown events.
  - iii. Participation in five (5) additional wars in **Armored** combat
  - iv. Participation in five (5) additional demonstrations.
- f. Knight Champion (3rd level)
  - i. Participation in thirty-six (36) additional **Armored** Lists at Crown events.
  - ii. Ten (10) additional wins in the **Armored** Lists at Crown events.
  - iii. Participation in ten (10) additional wars in **Armored** combat
  - iv. Participation in fifteen (15) additional demonstrations.

**Add:**

- g. Knight Scholar (2nd level)
  - i. Participation in eighteen (18) additional Knight's Rapier lists at Crown events.
  - ii. Five (5) additional wins on the Knight's Rapier list at Crown Events
  - iii. Participation in five (5) additional wars in Knight's Rapier
  - iv. Participation in five (5) additional demonstrations
- h. Knight Companion (3rd level)
  - i. Participation in thirty-six (36) additional Knight's Rapier lists at Crown events.

- ii. Ten (10) additional wins on the Knight's Rapier list at Crown Events
- iii. Participation in Ten (10) additional wars in Knight's Rapier
- iv. Participation in fifteen (15) additional demonstrations

**Note:** All combatants who hold current Knighthoods will retain their highest level of Knighthood and may choose which path they wish to take. Combatants may pursue both the armored and rapier tracks simultaneously. All wins and participations held by non-Knight combatants, and those above the highest level of Knighthood, may be applied accordingly. There is already a system in place to deal with separation of these points on the Imperial database. You may also access them by simply looking up Combat points and filling out a Steps-to-Knighthood. It would not require additional rolls entries above what is already being entered into the database.

**Commentary:** Much like the sports world recognizes the difference between weapons and styles: rifle shooting, pistol shooting, fencing, archery, etc.; we should recognize the difference between Armored and Rapier Combat, in style, function, gear, and historical context. By separating these paths, we pay homage to each of these distinctly different art forms and allow the people who practice them to excel in their specific form of art by dedicating themselves wholly and completely to being the best they can in their chosen style. This also lends to the full experience by all members seeking to participate in combat, regardless of their affinity toward a specific art form.

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**Co-sponsors:** HRG Kaeyron Maethanos (Duke, Cashel), HG Warren Anthony (Count Royal, Albion)

## Counterproposal 1: Remove Armored Win Requirement for Knight Bannerette and Knight Champion.

**Option 1:** Remove Armored Win requirement for Knight Bannerette and Knight Champion.

**Option 2:** Remove Armored Win requirement for Knight Bannerette only.

**Commentary:** While I believe that Knight Bannerette and Knight Champion should require participation in Armored lists I do believe a win on either list should be equal in the law.

**Author:** Sir Tailan Bran McNeil (Earl Royal)

**Sponsor:** HRM Sir Callon Bryn Corey, King of Terre Neuve

## Counterproposal 2

### Option 1

Separation of K2 and K3 within the Combat List with "Order of the Masters" Created to honor those who complete the criteria for both "Rapier" and "Steel" Combat Knighthood.

#### Proposed Law:

Combatant Roll

Heavy Renaissance will now count as Light Renaissance in Knightly progression (reference Imperial Estates Writ #13).

1. Yeoman
  - i. Be authorized to enter the Sergeant's List as outlined in the Combat Manual and Marshal's Guidelines
  - ii. A member in good standing.
2. Guardsman
  - i. Participation in three (3) Sergeants' Lists at Crown events.
3. Sergeant
  - i. Participation in five (5) additional Sergeants' Lists at Crown events.
  - ii. One (1) win in a Sergeants' List at a Crown event.
  - iii. Participation in two (2) demonstrations.

- iv. Be authorized to enter the Knight's List as outlined in the Combat Manual and Marshal's Guidelines
- 4. Knight Bachelor
  - i. Participation in ten (10) Knights' Lists at Crown events.
  - ii. One (1) win in the Knights' Lists at a Crown event.
  - iii. Participation in one (1) war
  - iv. Participation in three (3) additional demonstrations.
- 5. Knight Banneret (Second Level: Option A)
  - i. Participation in eighteen (18) additional Knights' Lists (8 must be in the armored Knights' Lists), at Crown events.
  - ii. Five (5) additional wins in the Knights' Lists (3 must be in the armored Knights' Lists), at Crown events.
  - iii. Participation in five (5) additional wars
  - iv. Participation in five (5) additional demonstrations.
- 6. Knight Provost (Second Level: Option B)
  - i. Participation in eighteen (18) additional Knights' Lists at Crown events.
  - ii. Five (5) additional wins in the Knights' Lists at Crown events.
  - iii. Research and write a paper on 8 different fighting styles and/or rapier masters.
  - iv. Demonstrate at Crown events 3 different fighting styles in the Knight's List.
  - v. Participation in five (5) additional wars
  - vi. Participation in five (5) additional demonstrations.
- 7. Knight Champion (Third Level: Option A)
  - i. Participation in thirty-six (36) additional Knights' Lists (16 must be in the armored Knights' Lists, at Crown events.
  - ii. Ten (10) additional wins in the Knights' Lists (6 must be in the armored Knights' Lists, at Crown events.
  - iii. Participation in ten (10) additional wars
  - iv. Participation in fifteen (15) additional demonstrations.
- 8. Knight Scholar (Third Level: Option B)
  - i. Participation in thirty-six (36) additional Knights' Lists at Crown events.
  - ii. Ten (10) additional wins in the Knights' Lists at Crown events.
  - iii. Research and write a paper on 16 different fighting styles and/or rapier masters.
  - iv. Demonstrate at Crown events 6 different fighting styles in the Knight's List.
  - v. Participation in ten (10) additional wars
  - vi. Participation in fifteen (15) additional demonstrations.

Additionally the creation a New Combat Order:

### **Order of St. George**

This order is founded to recognize those members who have gone above and beyond and have met the requirements for both Options A & B for their Second and Third peerages of the Combat Roll. Grants Precedence in relation to the level achieved.

- 1. Companion: Achieved the ranks of both Knight Banneret and Knight Provost. Grants precedence equivalent to Lord or Lady.
- 2. Master: Achieved the rank of Knight Banneret and Knight Scholar (or Knight Champion and Knight Provost.) Grants precedence equivalent to Baron or Baroness.



3. Grandmaster: Achieved the rank of Knight Champion and Knight Scholar. Grants precedence equivalent to (Non-Founding) Viscount or Viscountess.

## Option 2

Separation of K2 and K3 within the Combat List

### Proposed Law:

Combatant Roll

Heavy Renaissance will now count as Light Renaissance in Knightly progression (reference Imperial Estates Writ #13).

1. Yeoman
  - i. Be authorized to enter the Sergeant's List as outlined in the Combat Manual and Marshal's Guidelines
  - ii. A member in good standing.
2. Guardsman
  - i. Participation in three (3) Sergeants' Lists at Crown events.
3. Sergeant
  - i. Participation in five (5) additional Sergeants' Lists at Crown events.
  - ii. One (1) win in a Sergeants' List at a Crown event.
  - iii. Participation in two (2) demonstrations.
  - iv. Be authorized to enter the Knight's List as outlined in the Combat Manual and Marshal's Guidelines
4. Knight Bachelor
  - i. Participation in ten (10) Knights' Lists at Crown events.
  - ii. One (1) win in the Knights' Lists at a Crown event.
  - iii. Participation in one (1) war
  - iv. Participation in three (3) additional demonstrations.
5. Knight Banneret (Second Level: Option A)
  - i. Participation in eighteen (18) additional Knights' Lists (8 must be in the armored Knights' Lists), at Crown events.
  - ii. Five (5) additional wins in the Knights' Lists (3 must be in the armored Knights' Lists), at Crown events.
  - iii. Participation in five (5) additional wars
  - iv. Participation in five (5) additional demonstrations.
6. **Knight Provost (Second Level: Option B)**
  - i. **Participation in eighteen (18) additional Knights' Lists at Crown events.**
  - ii. **Five (5) additional wins in the Knights' Lists at Crown events.**
  - iii. **Research and write a paper on 8 different fighting styles and/or rapier masters.**
  - iv. **Demonstrate at Crown events 3 different fighting styles in the Knight's List.**
  - v. **Participation in five (5) additional wars**
  - vi. **Participation in five (5) additional demonstrations.**
7. Knight Champion (Third Level: Option A)
  - i. Participation in thirty-six (36) additional Knights' Lists (16 must be in the armored Knights' Lists), at Crown events.



- ii. Ten (10) additional wins in the Knights' Lists (6 must be in the armored Knights' Lists, at Crown events.
  - iii. Participation in ten (10) additional wars
  - iv. Participation in fifteen (15) additional demonstrations.
8. **Knight Scholar (Third Level: Option B)**
- i. Participation in thirty-six (36) additional Knights' Lists at Crown events.
  - ii. Ten (10) additional wins in the Knights' Lists at Crown events.
  - iii. Research and write a paper on 16 different fighting styles and/or rapier masters.
  - iv. Demonstrate at Crown events 6 different fighting styles in the Knight's List.
  - v. Participation in ten (10) additional wars
  - vi. Participation in fifteen (15) additional demonstrations.

### Option 3

Separation of K2 and K3 within the Combat List with additional peerages for those who meet for both "Rapier" and "Steel" Combat Knighthood.

#### Proposed Law:

##### Combatant Roll

Heavy Renaissance will now count as Light Renaissance in Knightly progression (reference Imperial Estates Writ #13).

- 1. Yeoman
  - i. Be authorized to enter the Sergeant's List as outlined in the Combat Manual and Marshal's Guidelines
  - ii. A member in good standing.
- 2. Guardsman
  - i. Participation in three (3) Sergeants' Lists at Crown events.
- 3. Sergeant
  - i. Participation in five (5) additional Sergeants' Lists at Crown events.
  - ii. One (1) win in a Sergeants' List at a Crown event.
  - iii. Participation in two (2) demonstrations.
  - iv. Be authorized to enter the Knight's List as outlined in the Combat Manual and Marshal's Guidelines
- 4. Knight Bachelor
  - i. Participation in ten (10) Knights' Lists at Crown events.
  - ii. One (1) win in the Knights' Lists at a Crown event.
  - iii. Participation in one (1) war
  - iv. Participation in three (3) additional demonstrations.
- 5. Knight Banneret (Second Level: Option A)
  - i. Participation in eighteen (18) additional Knights' Lists (8 must be in the armored Knights' Lists), at Crown events.
  - ii. Five (5) additional wins in the Knights' Lists (3 must be in the armored Knights' Lists), at Crown events.
  - iii. Participation in five (5) additional wars
  - iv. Participation in five (5) additional demonstrations.
- 6. **Knight Provost (Second Level: Option B)**

- i. Participation in eighteen (18) additional Knights' Lists at Crown events.
  - ii. Five (5) additional wins in the Knights' Lists at Crown events.
  - iii. Research and write a paper on 8 different fighting styles and/or rapier masters.
  - iv. Demonstrate at Crown events 3 different fighting styles in the Knight's List.
  - v. Participation in five (5) additional wars
  - vi. Participation in five (5) additional demonstrations.
7. Knight Lieutenant (Second Level: Option C)
- i. Participation in eighteen (18) additional Knights' Lists (8 must be in the armored Knights' Lists), at Crown events.
  - ii. Five (5) additional wins in the Knights' Lists (3 must be in the armored Knights' Lists), at Crown events.
  - iii. Research and write a paper on 8 different fighting styles and/or rapier masters.
  - iv. Demonstrate at Crown events 3 different fighting styles in the Knight's List.
  - v. Participation in five (5) additional wars
  - vi. Participation in five (5) additional demonstrations.
8. Knight Champion (Third Level: Option A)
- i. Participation in thirty-six (36) additional Knights' Lists (16 must be in the armored Knights' Lists, at Crown events.
  - ii. Ten (10) additional wins in the Knights' Lists (6 must be in the armored Knights' Lists, at Crown events.
  - iii. Participation in ten (10) additional wars
  - iv. Participation in fifteen (15) additional demonstrations.
9. Knight Scholar (Third Level: Option B)
- i. Participation in thirty-six (36) additional Knights' Lists at Crown events.
  - ii. Ten (10) additional wins in the Knights' Lists at Crown events.
  - iii. Research and write a paper on 16 different fighting styles and/or rapier masters.
  - iv. Demonstrate at Crown events 6 different fighting styles in the Knight's List.
  - v. Participation in ten (10) additional wars
  - vi. Participation in fifteen (15) additional demonstrations.
10. Knight General (Third Level: Option C)
- i. Participation in thirty-six (36) additional Knights' Lists (16 must be in the armored Knights' Lists, at Crown events.
  - ii. Ten (10) additional wins in the Knights' Lists (6 must be in the armored Knights' Lists, at Crown events.
  - iii. Research and write a paper on 16 different fighting styles and/or rapier masters.
  - iv. Demonstrate at Crown events 6 different fighting styles in the Knight's List.
  - v. Participation in ten (10) additional wars
  - vi. Participation in fifteen (15) additional demonstrations.

**Commentary:** *What of the person, who does not seek to fight steel and is happy just fighting their Rapier? Do we let them plateau at their first level of Knighthood? Many times there have been proposals to create a "Renaissance" path that would be separate from the typical Combat roll, as well as if I recall a counterproposal was to have everything up to the First Level remain the same ... but to offer optional paths through the K2 and K3 levels. Now the hesitation which I have noticed often revolve around the fact that many of the current Knight Champions feel that it would cheapen what they endured to attain the rank of Knight Champion. What I would suggest would be "What could we substitute for the Armored*

requirements and wins?" that would not cheapen but would actually enhance that particular peerage of Knighthood.

There have been discussions about Demonstrating period Combat Styles to the populace .... Rapier fighters often were noble born and educated (aka literate as opposed to the typical medieval knight who was considered illiterate and taught through experience). What if we to substitute for the Armored Participation you would have them write a research paper on a combat style, or ancient swordsman who specialized in the rapier ... and for the win to actually demonstrate the style of combat in the combat arena? ... This would require the person seeking to take the alternate path to actually do research outside of combat practice and outside of the events usual course. This would also have the side effect to spur some of the combatants to enter the Arts & Sciences list (since they have done the research already), thereby breathing new life into two different lists. ADDITIONALLY any Knight Champions who are currently out there would have a new path to take ... that of the scholar and to earn additional prestige in the combat roll by being able to attain two more Knighthoods (perhaps create a special classification <or order> for those that have done both the "ancient" path of the steel combatant as well as those who have done the additional research for the "progressive" renaissance path). This additional path would not cheapen the Combat Knighthood but advance it. The knight who only has taken the Steel path could be the typical "Knight in Shining Armor" that amazes the crowd with their grandiose displays of combat prowess. While that knights brother/sister (and peer in combat) who has taken the alternate method can appeal to those who are fans of Dumas' "The Three Musketeers" with the flash of their rapier and the wit of their presentation and commentary. While the third who has taken both paths after their first level of peerage is not only the shimmering combatant of the Arthurian era, but can also sit and regal their onlookers with tales of famous historical master swordsmen and ancient fighting styles to not only captivate but entrance those who watch their displays.

All three would have a place amongst the upper levels of the Chivalry in combat ... each having taken a different path to get there; very similar in nature to those of the Arts & Sciences roll. You can have 3 different Knight Doctors who have studied 3 very different areas of the Arts. Is a Knight Doctor in Brewing different than one in Leatherworking or one in Calligraphy? What about the Knight Wardens with one who has shot short bow as opposed to the one who has specialized in the long bow? Or the Knight Premier who received his Knighthood by serving the Chancellery compared to the other who has received it as a Physicker or the other who has been a House Lord and then a King and finally emperor? I can see the probability that this "glass" ceiling of sorts in the combat roll has proven done more to drive people away from it than it has done to challenge them. If someone does not want to fight in the steel list for some reason or another, then they are barred from advancing past the rank of Knight Bachelor. I would ask that you put yourself in their position and see it from their prospective. It can be frustrating. I have almost personally completed my steel armor, and will be fighting steel eventually; but that does not mean that the steel path is for everyone. With the creation of a second path through the combat knighthoods for K2's and K3's you give these alternate paths separate distinct names to reflect that it was done through a different path. That way a "Knight Champion" is still only those who have attained their steel participations and wins, but a "Knight Scholar" per say is one who has done the research and demonstration of various fighting styles.

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**OB13. Modification the New Rolls Manual ..... TABLED**

*Tabled (75 in favor).*

**Amend to read:**

**I. THE OFFICE OF ROLLS AND LISTS****C. STANDARD FLOW OF INFORMATION**

- v. Once a month, within 30 days of the last event in that calendar month, the local Office of Rolls and Lists sends the original paperwork for the previous month to the Imperial Office of Rolls and Lists. The local Office may keep copies and is encouraged to do so. See *V.A.2. Physical Reporting (Sending in the Paperwork)* on page 16.
- vi. The Imperial Office of Rolls and Lists reviews the paperwork, handles questions that arise from the paperwork, compares the paperwork to the information in the Imperial Database, and ultimately verifies the entry of each event in the Imperial Database within 90 days.
- vii. The Imperial Office of Rolls and Lists is also responsible for paperwork resulting from Imperial Events and for entry of the event into the Imperial Database within 60 days.

*Author's Note: Requiring submission by the 10th of the month places an unfair disadvantage to subdivisions which meet at the end of the month. It is not always possible for our volunteer ministers to dedicate that specific a time period to Adrian activities. The current Imperial Rolls Minister maintains that "common sense should apply" and that 30 days is reasonable. If 30 days is reasonable our law should read 30 days. It is not reasonable to pass into law that which we know will be broken.*

**II. THE MINISTERS****A. IMPERIAL MINISTER OF ROLLS AND LISTS**

- 5. On a monthly basis:
  - viii. Oversee the collection and filing of physical Rolls and Lists records that support and document participation and accomplishments
  - ix. Oversee the updating and **verification** of the on-line Rolls and Lists records
  - x. Report to the Imperial Crown regarding the Office

*Author's Note: The Crown is the Granting authority of points, not the Imperial Minister. Point entries may only be altered by permission of the granting crown or an Adrian Court. Imperial Rolls minister is only verifying that the points are recorded correctly.*

**III. EARNING POINTS****C. HOW ARE POINTS GRANTED**

All points are granted by the authority of the Crown. Points in local subdivisions are granted by the Crown(s) of that subdivision, subject to review and approval by the Imperial Crown(s) within one year from the date of submission. All points awarded by local Crowns and not objected to within that time will be considered approved. Points awarded by local Crowns before March 2007 will be considered grandfathered and may not be removed except for clerical errors or evidence of fraud or malfeasance by the awarding Crown. These corrections must ALWAYS have supporting evidence. Points for subdivision Crowns and Imperial Ministers as well as points earned at Imperial Events are granted by the Imperial Crowns.

*Author's Note: Both Imperial Rolls Minister and Imperial Crowns should have a chance to review all points submitted by the subdivisions to make certain that we are all playing on as fair and level of a field of rules and their interpretations as possible. If problems are found the member should be advised of the*

removal of points and the awarding Crowns and their ministers informed of the reasons and corrections to me made in their future awards.

However, removing points beyond a year deprives the member not only of that point but from the year plus of game time in which they could have made up that point. A member has every reason to expect that the points awarded to them by their local Crowns are theirs and as it says in III, 3, iv of this manual “are never removed unless a clerical correction is being made or unless an Adrian Court issues that order”.

#### 1. Basic Participation Points and Tourney Wins

Clearly observable or verifiable achievements such as participating in a tournament and winning a tournament (in Arts, Archery, and Combat) are normally delegated to the duties of the Office of Rolls and Lists. The Minister of Rolls (or delegate) will note the participation on the appropriate form. It is common practice for the Crown to later (either late in the event or after the event) physically sign each rolls form to indicate approval of those points granted.

All members in good standing may participate in any and all tournaments and activities which they attend. In the case of new members joining at an event, they may participate in all tournaments and activities, even if those events are make-ups for months preceding their membership providing all dues and taxes are paid and any required tests and qualifications are completed.

*Author’s Note: It creates an extremely negative first impression when a new member is denied participation in an activity simply because it is a “make-up” for a month which precedes their membership date. We claim to strive toward chivalrous ideals and yet often times a new member’s first or second participation includes what seems to be an unfair exclusion to a part of the game.*

#### 3. DIs and DPs

Upon your request, your local Crown may grant you up to one (1) DI for every three (3) months of service as their minister and the Imperial Crown may grant up to one (1) DI for every two (2) months of service as an Imperial Minister. If a DI is granted for this service, it is in addition to monthly ministry points and is based on the concept that an overworked minister will not have time to also earn DIs using other methods. **Adria points are never removed unless a clerical correction is being made or unless an Adrian court issues that order.**

However, these points corrections may not strip a knight of their rank, the Knight will be permitted to make up the necessary points before continuing on the STK further.

### F. TOURNAMENTS AND WARS

#### 1. Tournaments

If there are not enough people to fill a list (archery or combat), it is called a short list. There are ~~two~~ three ways in which a short list may be handled:

- xi. The participant may “bump up” to the higher list (if they have been authorized for that list) and the short list is cancelled. This new list is called a “combined list” but is still treated as being the higher list (hunter’s list or knight’s list). If the participant bumps up, their points are recorded on the higher list. If the participant does not bump up, they receive an EP on the lower list.
- xii. The list may be cancelled. If this happens, everyone who signed up for the short list receive EPs. The crown may require participation (doing the shoot or fighting the short tourney) in order to receive the EP.
- xiii. One participant from the higher list may be bumped down to fill an open space in the lower list. This participant may not earn a participation or a win for doing so.

**Author's Note:** *This proposed change in policy benefits no one and does much harm. We need to stay with the traditional policy.*

*If a knight's list fighter is allowed to "bump down" it benefits him in no way other than the enjoyment of an extra fight. If one of 3 sergeants on a short list, can beat each other AND a combatant from the knights list they have achieved a win which at least equals if not exceeds a regular sergeants list win.*

*If we pass this new ruling without change we are handicapping are newest members. They have little or no chance of winning a tournament, or even surviving long enough on the field to gain any real fight experience against more experienced and possibly 2nd and 3rd L Knights. This is not good for encouraging and retaining new members.*

*Moreover, in small subdivisions they might go several months, or have to wait until new members can be recruited before having enough lower level combatants to hold a full list. This is not good for promoting the growth of a small subdivision.*

Points earned on a higher list (Knight or Huntsman) may be used in place of requirements on the corresponding lower lists (Journeyman, Sergeant, or Bowman). The Rolls Minister or other person recording the event should record the facts of what actually happened but is encouraged to make a note that the lists were combined. The use of a higher list to cover the requirement on a lower list will be done when the points report is created or when the points audit is done.

#### IV. SOURCES OF INFORMATION

##### 1. Event Participation Form

This is an overall sign-in form in which **all** attendees are recorded. Use this form for any sanctioned event: tournament, war, demo, feast, etc. Each person at the event must sign this sheet and may not alter the waiver. If the attendee is legally a minor (usually if he or she is under eighteen (18) years of age), a parent or legal guardian must be present at the event and must sign on his or her behalf or have approved waiver signed and notarized on file with the Local Steward.

##### 2. Combat Sign-in Form

Used by the combatants to sign in to acknowledge the combat waiver and so that the list keeper can create a combat tree, the Minister of Rolls can later see what combat took place, and to record the list winners and marshals. A note should be made to indicate anyone who dropped out prior to participating. Each combatant must sign this sheet and may not alter the waiver. If the attendee is legally a minor, a parent or legal guardian must be present and must sign on his or her behalf or have approved waiver signed and notarized on file with the Local Steward.

##### F. MEMBER-PROVIDED INFORMATION

These sources of information are perfectly valid, but should be used as a last resort. They are intended to help fill in holes that may exist in Rolls records. If Rolls records exist for the events stated, then the Rolls records take precedence over these sources of information.

For example, Arts and Sciences Score Sheets may be presented by the member. Every time an arts entry is judged, the comments and scores are recorded. At the end of the judging process, these score sheets (also known as comment cards) are provided to the artisan. These may be used as proof of participation in an arts tournament.

In rare cases where the paperwork for the event is missing completely, 2 knights may verify a member's participation in a Civil Court. This verification must then be backed up in writing and sent to the Imperial Office of Rolls and Lists. A request maybe made by a member to the local chancellery for a civil court. At



which time the member must provide two knights in attendance at the event in question to give witness as to the participation in question. Should the two knights verify participation the point or points shall be granted. Notification of the finding must be sent to the Imperial Chancellery and the Imperial Rolls office.

## V. REPORTS

### A. REPORTS TO THE IMPERIAL OFFICE OF ROLLS AND LISTS

#### 2. Physical Reporting (Sending in the Paperwork)

The local Minister of Rolls shall provide a written report of all participation and accomplishments of the members who have participated in their subdivision. This report must be provided to the Imperial Office of Rolls and Lists no later than **the 10th of the month 30 days after the final event in that calendar month (including Canton and special events)** for the previous month's activity.

*Author's Note: Necessary to agree with I above and for the same reasons: Requiring submission by the 10th of the month places an unfair disadvantage to subdivisions which meet at the end of the month. It is not always possible for our volunteer ministers to dedicate that specific a time period to Adrian activities. The current Imperial Minister of the Rolls maintains that "common sense should apply" and that 30 days is reasonable. It is not reasonable to pass into law that which we know will be broken.*

The physical monthly report to the Imperial Office of Rolls and Lists must include all of the rolls forms used at all of the events that month including event sign-ins, sign-ins for each discipline, combat and archery trees, and honors reports. Each form must be dated (including year) and complete. Summaries and re-typed versions may be provided for additional clarity (e.g. the local minister may have an easier time interpreting poor penmanship by a member), but if used, these must be in addition to the original forms. It is helpful to include a printout of the event report provided by the Imperial Database after you have completed data entry. If your subdivision is unable to do data entry, use the Rolls Event Summary Report form.

Local subdivisions are encouraged to keep copies of all paperwork sent to their Imperial counterpart for their records and to help recover when information is lost or misplaced. Any records kept by the local subdivision in addition to the originals sent to the Imperial Office of Rolls and Lists are expenses incurred by said subdivision, and become subdivision chattel goods.

Scanned originals of forms sent via email, may be considered originals if they are clear, complete and include all notations in margins and back if any. Imperial Office of Rolls and Lists may request the original forms if the scanned copy is deemed unclear or incomplete. If scanned copies are used, the original records kept in the subdivision's Office of Rolls and Lists are considered Imperial property. **Scans must be at least 300 dpi, in PDF format.**

*Author's Note: 2008 technology should be legal to utilize in order to save paper, ink, time and postage.*

## VI. AUDITS

A member may not advance in knightly rank without the Office of Rolls and Lists confirming their qualifications (regarding participation points, etc.). The entire process of confirmation is often called a points audit. Points audits for first and second level knighthoods **may are to be** performed by the subdivision's Rolls Office, Audits to verify any third level knighthoods must be performed by the Imperial Minister of Rolls and Lists within 90 days of the request.

The member ~~tracks~~ **is responsible for tracking** their own points, recording their participation and milestones. When the member wishes to advance in rank and believes that they have accumulated



enough points to do so, they shall request an audit of their points. This is a review of the points to determine if they have, indeed, met the minimum requirements for the advancement. The Minister of Rolls must confirm that the points provided by the member matches the records in the Office of Rolls. Once the Minister of Rolls concurs with the accuracy of the information; they provide formal confirmation to the member.

D. Responsibilities of the Imperial Minister of Rolls for 3rd Level Audits

- xiv. Imperial Audits must be completed within 90 days of the request.
- xv. If 1st and 2nd level knighthoods have already been granted, they cannot be revoked unless stripped by a Court; neither should the credit involved in the award unless accompanied by charges of malfeasance.
- xvi. 3rd level audits will only verify points from the 3rd level STK submission
- xvii. The Imperial Minister of Rolls and Lists will provide the member and their local Minister of Rolls and Lists with verified copies of the completed audit.

*Author's Note: Reasonable time limit should be set for Imperial Audits. Currently there are audits in process for over 16 months with out either approval or denial so that it can be appealed through the Imperial Courts or Estates.*

E. CORRECTIONS

A completed audit (confirmed and signed off by the Minister of Rolls) does not mean that corrections to errors cannot be made. If information comes to light that points were (or were not) awarded in error, the Minister of Rolls can authorize a change to the records.

The member has the same rights to appeal as during the original audit. Points issued before March 2007 are considered "grandfathered". See III 3 See Conflicts in the preceding section.

*Note: Changes to the rules are never retroactive. A Rolls Minister may not "go backwards" and change points awarded under different rules or different interpretations of the rules. See Appendix A. Policy Changes: Changing Awarded Points on page 21.*

## APPENDIX A. POLICY CHANGES

From time to time, the way points are awarded and recorded has changed. This manual contains today's rules about points. This appendix contains previous policies and their effective dates of changes, etc.

A. CHANGING AWARDED POINTS

Points issued before March 2007 are considered "grandfathered" (see III 3).

O. LIMITATION ON GRANTING OF DI'S FOR SERVICE AS A MINISTER AND GUIDELINE FOR DOING SO

- f. Crowns are encouraged to set criteria for acceptable service. DIs granted for Crown and ministerial service are based on the concept that an overworked minister will not have time to also earn demo initiations using other methods. Crowns are advised to grant these points to their ministers that have served above and beyond the call of duty, whose basic duty is so challenging as to deserve this reward, or who have held multiple positions at once so as to achieve this level of service in their overall effort. The manner and practice of granting these service credits is subject to the review of the Imperial Crown. The decision of the Crown is final except for review by the Imperial Crown. SEE III C

### *Authors Commentary: On Behalf of the Committee to Revise the Roles Manual*

*Good Sir:*

*Each of us in reviewing the proposed NEW ROLLS MANUAL, which was implemented as an Imperial Writ, were concerned with the direction the changes were taking our Empire. Having various discussions of the Rolls Manual at differing times we have spontaneously come together to pool our concerns and submit a joint submission of alternative portions of the Rolls Manual. We request that the Imperial Estates be allowed to vote on each item separately, and the resulting Rolls Manual then be presented for ratification.*

*Most of the changes presented address a common issue: Section III Earning Points, Paragraph 3, “Adria points are never removed unless a clerical correction is being made or unless an Adrian court issues that order.”*

*This has been our history and law and is included in the new Rolls Manual submitted Nov.2007. Yet, several additions were included in the new version that appears to override this keystone. It is the Imperial Minister’s job to verify that points awarded by the subdivision Crown are recorded properly, and not to approve or disapprove them.*

*This level of scrutiny is bogging down the already overwhelming task the Imperial Minister of Roll has of completing and maintaining the Imperial Rolls Data Base. In turn, work on the Data Base has significantly delayed the approval of qualified 3rd Level Knight Candidates, beyond reason.*

*We know of NO GAME played in a Casino, a ball field or on a board at the family table where points can be removed after numerous rounds of play have already been completed, without an outright charge and proof of cheating. Our game should be no different. Once a reasonable period of time has passed, points should be locked in place, unless removed through court action.*

*Finally, we offer the following for your thought:*

*To become an Eagle Scout is a real life big deal. Adding Eagle Scout to your résumé will get you preferred entry into colleges, is de-facto required for nomination to our Nation’s Military Academies, and gives one extra step in grade and pay in the armed services.*

*Yet when any one of the thousands of Scout Troops nationwide and its leaders advance a scout to Eagle Scout, Boy Scout International does not require that every piece of documentation be sent for review. They do not send anyone to look at the scout’s handbook to see that every box for every badge is properly dated and initialed. They trust their leaders to follow the rules, determine the candidate worthy, and fairly due their duty.*

*Becoming a Knight of Adria, at any level is of no benefit what so ever in the mundane world. We are an organization of Chivalry and Honor. Can we not trust our local Crowns to award points fairly and with in the rules?*

*We ask that all of our submitted revisions to the Rolls Manual (Writ) be jointly Sponsored and C-Sponsored by all members of the Committee. We entrust the Imperial Chancellor to resolve the final format in which the submitted changes are presented to the Imperial Estates.*

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***Chancellor’s Note:*** *The New version of the Rolls Manual may address many of the above issues but since the authors of OB13 will not have time to review the Rolls Manual (Which will be published after this addendum) we leave their item of business here and allow them to withdraw it (or parts) at the meeting itself if they wish to.*

***Note from Chancery:*** *The Rolls Manual is currently a Continuing Imperial Crown Writ. Approving the Manual as Imperial Estates Writ returns ownership and control of the document back to the Imperial Estates. Defeating this motion leaves the Manual in the current state and allows the Imperial Crown to make changes at any time. More details forth coming once author’s evaluate the proposed rolls manual.*

***Note from the Imperial Crown:*** *With these clarifications in place including updates from feedback received at the March Imperial Estates meeting, it is no longer necessary to leave the manual as Imperial Crown Writ.*

**OB14. Amend Imperial Estates Writ 21 Rotation of Imperial Estates Meetings to only apply to the November Imperial Estates Meeting .....  
 ..... APP. AS AMENDED**

*Friendly amendment to add "at least" accepted by the author. Approved (83 in favor, 32 opposed)*

**Amend to read:**

The location of **the November** Imperial Estates meetings and **Coronation** shall rotate around the Adrian Empire.

b. Rotation

~~Each year shall have its own separate rotation schedule. Year 1 shall be regions 1, 2, then 3. Year 2 shall be regions 2, 3, then 1. Year 3 shall be regions 3, 1, then 2. (This allows each region an opportunity to host meetings and coronations.)~~

Chartered Subdivisions from Regions 1, 2, and 3 may submit bids for the March and July Imperial Estates Meetings. The November Imperial Estates Meeting and Coronation shall rotate between the three Regions, so that Region 1 hosts the November Imperial Estates Meeting and Coronation in Year 1, Region 2 in Year 2, and Region 3 in Year 3.

Any Chapter is encouraged to put in one bid a year.

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## VIII. NEW BUSINESS

**NB1. Amend Chancellor's Manual III.A.5. Government Reports .....  
 ..... DISCUSSED**

*Requires 2/3rds to Consider; Requires a Majority to approve.*

This is the section in which the various Ministries, the Imperial Crown, and the Churches make their reports. Within these reports, proposals may be made, including manuals (which may be attached as appendices). ~~These may be acted upon immediately as if they were old business. These items will be treated as new business.~~ (It is often wise to present manuals in sections rather than having them live or die as a whole.) The agenda should reflect how a given proposal is being made.

All reports ~~should~~ **must** be made in writing so that proxies may benefit from them. Reports ~~should~~ **must** be submitted to the Chancery by the same deadline as all other agenda submissions.

Non-budgeted expenditure items shall be presented for approval during the Steward's report. In the section for the Steward's report, the Agenda shall clearly direct the Estates to official government sources where any late non-budgeted expenditures (those which were made after the submission deadline) would be published so that the Estates will be able to vote on their approval even though they do not appear in the Agenda itself.

Government reports are to be published no later than 30 days prior to the meeting. Reports may be updated on an emergency basis, updates must be submitted and published to the agenda no later than one week prior to the meeting date.

*Author: Dame Cerridwyn of York (Countess Royal)*

*Sponsor: Sir Hawthorn, Crown of York*

**NB2. Amend Missile Weapons Construction Manual..... NOT DISCUSSED**

*Leave as New Business for November.*

Alter the Construction Manual to authorize the use of Baldur's Blunts in Construction of war arrows.

*Author: Dame Cerridwyn of York (Countess Royal)*

*Sponsor: Sir Hawthorn, Crown of York*

**NB3. Remove ‘Membership in Not Good Standing’ from HH Dame Jericho Gutte D’Or and HG Dame Josephine Oaksblood until completion of Trial..... SEE NOTES**

*“Member Not in Good Standing” has been removed by BoD, and a Judicial Ban put in place by the Imperial Crown. May not be in control of money or property, cannot represent or contract, voting privileges suspended, may earn points but not advance in the Chivalry.*

*Comments: The trial process for Princess Jericho and Dame Josephine began July of 2007. They were found to be 'Members not in good standing' in November 2007; without a completed trial. It is our wish that the 'member not in good standing' status be lifted for both until their day in court is complete. Perhaps a limited judicial ban would be more appropriate which would limit them from handling monies until such a time that their trial can be completed with a verdict being handed down from the Knights panel. With the final portion of the trial yet to be determined it would be unfortunate to prevent such accomplished knights from contributing their services to the Empire.*

*Author: HRM King Hawthorne*

*Sponsor: Dame Fionnghualla Inghean Ruaidhri Countess Royal*

**NB4. Publication of Minutes of the Board of Directors..... DISCUSSED**

*Amendment suggested to strike all mundane names from minutes publications.*

The minutes for all Board of Directors meetings will be published to all Crowns, the Adrian Empire Website, and Yahoo Groups within 30 days of the meeting. The names of any minors will be redacted for their protection.

*Author: Dame Cerridwyn Fiend of York*

*Sponsor: Dorn das Schwarz Brause, Knight Civil*

**NB5. Plain Language Bylaws i.e.: Lex Adria..... DISCUSSED**

The document will follow separately.

**NB6. Publication of Estate’s Meeting Agendas ..... DISCUSSED**

*Lex Adria already specifies allowable official publication. This proposal, if approved, doesn’t elevate to law – it still remains guideline.*

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Minimum distribution of the agenda is accomplished by transmission to all Crowns of all chartered subdivisions, **publication to the Adrian Empire Website and to the Adrian Empire Yahoo Groups by any means acceptable to each recipient (including electronic transmission)**. Agendas should be accompanied by a written admonition to each Crown to further distribute the agenda to all Imperial Estate Holders in that Crown's chartered subdivision. The admonition should include an indication that the members of the Imperial Estates General are set forth in Article VI.A. and include the Imperial Estate, the Estates Royal, the Estates Major, and the two senior Estates Minor. It is advised that the Imperial Chancery also keep a list of all the Imperial Estates General for reference.

While the Bylaws do not require it, the Chancellor ~~should consider posting~~ **will post** the Agenda on the web and electronically distributing it to as many Imperial Estates as possible. The Chancery should further consider direct mailing of Agendas when it deems it appropriate.

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**NB7. Define Separation duties between President & Vice President & the Imperial Crowns**

*Requires 2/3rds to consider; 2/3rds to approve.*

Any issue not addressed below remains within the authority of the Crown as authorized by the Estates, or custom and practice.

**Corporate Authority to be exercised by the President or the Board**

To act as the legal representative of the Adrian Empire, Incorporated.

To authorize chapter presidents/vice-presidents (Crowns) to act as legal representatives of the President.

All legal contracts including insurance, banking, professional services, etc.

All legal filings including corporate and tax.

Policy regarding financial procedures, donations and acknowledgement of them.

Review rules and procedures of the Adrian Empire and its chapters to: satisfy mundane legal requirements and prevent conflicts, fulfill contract obligations, and prevent unreasonable liability.

Protect corporate property and rights to use intellectual property provided to Adria.

To address mundane misconduct including membership suspension, revocation, denial, and to determine whether membership is not in good standing, as per the Bylaws and Law of the Empire, and the use of the panel. This includes the authority of the President or any chapter president to suspend attendance until the panel can be convened.

**Add to Bylaws:**

Cite wherever authority of the Law of the Empire affects the BoD or must otherwise be addressed in the Bylaws (member discipline, election of the Members of the BoD, limits, etc.).

**Add to Law of the Empire:**

The Crown shall confer with the President and Treasurer in preparing the budget to insure that all legal obligations will be met.

**IX. DISCUSSION**

**X. NEXT MEETING OF THE IMPERIAL ESTATES ..... NOV. 1-2, 2008**

Kingdom of Albion hosts.

**XI. ADJOURNMENT ..... 3:26 P.M.**

**END OF MINUTES**