

# Adrian Empire Imperial Estates Meeting November 7-8, 2015 Minutes

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## INTRODUCTION

Unto the Imperial Estates of the Adrian Empire, Greetings.

The first and short version of the Minutes was published with the Imperial Newsletter on December 4<sup>th</sup>. Herein is a longer version that expands upon and supersedes (but doesn't contradict) the previous information.

Happy Holidays to all and as always, feel free to share feedback or ask questions. We look forward to serving your needs in the upcoming year.

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## **MINUTES**

### Call to Order, 9:53 AM

The call to Order took place at 9:53 AM, Saturday, November 7<sup>th</sup>.

Quorum was established with 30 votes present and 94 votes by proxy for a total of 124.

## Reports

The Imperial Crowns, the Board of Directors, and various Imperial Ministers presented their reports. See Appendix A for those submitted in writing.

A request was made to the Crowns to investigate the following question, "What should/would happen if someone requests a copy of a recording of the meeting?"

## Roll Call, 124 represented votes

Multiple versions of the agendas were posted and it was agreed to use the final version posted on the website. One objection, Passed by voice.

## Approval of Minutes, Passed

The minutes of the July 2015 Imperial Estates Meetings were approved without objection.

#### **Crown Business**

A motion was made and passed to address CRB1C before CRB1A. As CRB1C 1 and 2 both passed, the chapters of Albion-Rayonne and Glynmore are protected from reduction due to low membership count for one year beginning November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at 10:45AM Eastern time. This includes when CRB1A was addressed.

CRB1. Charter Amendments

- A. Chapter status reductions and charter revocations
- Cheasepeake and York were reduced from a Duchy to a Shire.
- The Shires of Altland and Bisqaia's charters were revoked.
- The Imperial Canton of Bohemia was closed.

No other reductions or revocations were made.

Details are as follows.

Reduce Stirling, 28 / many - failed

Reduce Umbria...

Although Umbria reached membership numbers, it is not fulfilling other requirements. HIM Wright addressed HRM Cameron's post and read the gatelist which included banished members. A representative from Umbria supported HRM Cameron's post. HIM Wright and HIH Ashlinn have pictures of banished members. HIH Ashlinn argued for Umbria that the fair sat them together. HIM Wright brought up that doesn't excuse the member from knowing their restriction nor does it allow them to get around the rules. The crowns and subdivision have to enforce them... what about if I come not in garb to a public park... Permits matter and if you were having a kid's birthday party and someone just sat down at your party, you call the police to remove them. The same applies to us. Point of information (HIH Ashlinn) – HIM Wright made clarifications in July. Adrian event is one

where Adria participated. Just not signing in does not excuse you from holding an Adrian event and being required to comply with Adrian law. Knowingly not filing the paperwork is a fraud. It doesn't mean it didn't happen.

Vote to reduce Umbria, 57 / 59 – failed

Reduce Varheim, 1 / many – failed

Reduce Chesapeake, passed by voice

Cashel has reached numbers.

Lancaster has reached numbers.

Reduce Wolfendorf, 46 / 77 – failed

Reduce York, 87 / 36 - passed

Revoke the charters of Altland and Bisqaia, passed by voice

Revoke the charter of Malta, 53 / 68 – failed

Monaco, voted 56 / 52, key point raised, re-voted 36 / 73 – failed

A motion was made and discussed to override Imperial Crown prerogative in order to keep the Imperial Canton of Bohemia open for another year (requires 2/3rds), 31/75 – failed

Imperial Canton of Bohemia closed at Imperial Crown discretion.

B. Chapter elevations

Konigsberg and Cyprus (Burgundy) were elevated from a Shire to a Duchy.

Alhambra was elevated from a Duchy to an Archduchy.

- C. Other charter changes
- 1. The charter of Albion-Rayonne was amended to show released lands:

Release Aha Macav Parkway to the California boarder and east to the Colorado River. (Mundanely known as Avi). Release of the public and commercial use facilities in the Laughlin area to the Empire for the use of all Chapters.

2. The charter of Glynmore was amended to show released lands:

Release Aha Macav Parkway to the California boarder and east to the Colorado River. (Mundanely known as Avi).

- 3. The chapter of Cyprus was renamed to Burgundy.
- D. Approve the Charter of new Chapters

The Imperial Estates chose to take no action, leaving the authority of the new Chapters with the Imperial Crown. 56/33.

E. Notice of the Creation of an Imperial Canton

The Imperial Canton of La Perla in Puerto Rico was created. The estates asked questions, but took no action.

#### CRB2. Amend Membership Form/Waiver, Passed

A question was asked by Sir Tailan of Terre Neuve regarding whether existing lifetime members would be required to sign a new waiver if this passed. The Chancellor and Crown answered that there is no existing law that requires this to occur nor is it the policy of the Imperial Crowns to ask for this.

The membership form and waivers changed was accepted with no amendments, passed by voice:

In exchange for the value and benefits received, including my membership and participation in activities conducted by or on behalf of ADRIA, I have read, understand and willingly sign this release and waiver. I acknowledge that my participating in any activity conducted by, in connection with, or on behalf of ADRIA (the "Programs") is voluntary. I understand that there are risks and dangers inherent in participating in the Programs including but not limited to, injury due to sword fights and/or martial arts, property damage, death, or mental or emotional distress. I represent that I am physically capable of participation in ADRIA activities. I understand that ADRIA does NOT provide any insurance coverage for my person or my property. I acknowledge that I am responsible for my safety, my own health care needs, and for the protection of my property. I represent that I will observe all ADRIA rules or directions of ADRIA officials regarding equipment participation or personal safety and voluntarily accept all risks associated therewith.

In consideration for my being permitted to participate in the Programs, I freely and voluntarily release, waive, discharge, ADRIA and its officers, directors, agents and assigns (the "Released Parties") from any and all claims, liability, injuries, losses, damages, or costs of any kind or nature (known or unknown) that arise from, are caused by, or are related in any way to the Programs. In addition, I agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Released Parties from any loss, liability, damage, or cost which they may incur as a direct or indirect result of my participation in the Programs, including damage or destruction of ADRIA's equipment and property. Should any disputes arise from my participation in any Program, I agree to work through the internal dispute resolution procedures of ADRIA. If these procedures do not lead to the resolution of the dispute.

the resolution of the dispute, I agree to submit it to a board for binding arbitration and to abide by the decisions reached by such a board. The arbitration may take place wherever the parties mutually agree, but will be in Phoenix, Arizona if they do not agree otherwise, and in any case the laws of the state of Arizona will apply.

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, HEREBY AFFIRM THAT I HAVE READ, UNDERSTAND, AND WILL ABIDE BY EACH OF THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY. I AM OF LEGAL AGE, OR HAVE OBTAINED THE SIGNATURE OF MY PARENT(S) OR LEGAL GUARDIAN(S), WHO BY HIS OR HER SIGNATURE AGREE TO BE LEGALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE OBLIGATIONS DESCRIBED HEREIN.

CRB3. Elevate ICW 2015-1: Chattel Goods Policy, Passed as Estates Writ

Motion to discuss, 22 / many – failed

Approve as Law (requires 2/3rds), 75 / 44 - failed

Approve as Estates Writ (requires majority), 83 / x – passed

The following Chattel Goods Policy was passed as an Imperial Estates Writ:

#### A. Commitment

The Adrian Empire Inc. is committed to providing clear guidelines on how Chattel Goods will be handled within our organization. We believe that clear communication is the key to our long term success. Compliance with any and all governmental agencies, regulations, and industry best practices will be strictly enforced.

#### B. Definition

Chattel goods include items such as:

- 1. Crowns,
- 2. Banners,
- 3. Tents,
- 4. Armor and weapons
- 5. Archery equipment
- 6. Other items not consumed that were either purchased or donated to the Adrian Empire.
- C. Goals and Objectives
  - 1. All stewards will be trained in their responsibilities regarding Chattel Goods.
  - 2. All Crowns will be held accountable for providing the Adrian guidelines to their steward and enforcing the procedures as outlined.
  - 3. Cooperation and compliance with this policy is a requirement of the Steward office.
  - 4. Monitoring of the Chattel Goods program will be done on at least an annual basis.
- D. Responsibilities
  - 1. Subdivision Stewards
    - a. Must provide a list of all Chattel Goods held in their subdivision to the Imperial Steward on an annual basis, showing initial value, depreciation and market value.
    - b. Record any damage or destruction of Chattel Goods that occurs.
    - c. To provide chattel list to be signed by changeover of Local Crowns.
    - d. Must conduct an annual review of all Chattel Goods including where it is being held, and what the current condition is.
  - 2. Subdivision Crowns

Must conduct an annual review of all Chattel Goods including where it is being held, and what the current condition is.

- 3. Imperial Steward
  - a. Monitor Chattel Goods lists to ensure that items are being handled in accordance with the Adrian Empire Inc.'s rules.
  - b. Monitor the donation of items given to another subdivision or the destruction of said goods as appropriate.
- 4. Imperial Crown
  - a. Review and approve Chattel Goods that are requested to be sold for "fair market value" as determined using the IRS acceptable practices.
  - b. Review and resolve any infractions of the Chattel Goods policy.
- 5. Board of Directors
  - a. Review and provide advice to the Imperial Crowns on any infraction cases surrounding the Chattel Goods policy.
- b. Participate in annual reviews of the Chattel Goods policy.
- E. Management of Chattel
  - 1. A Fixed Chattel Goods Log is maintained by the Local/Imperial Steward including date of purchase, asset description, purchase/donation information, cost value, fair market value, donor/funding source, identification number, life of asset.
  - 2. The Log will be reviewed by the Imperial Steward.

- 3. Annually, a physical inspection and inventory will be taken of all fixed chattel goods and reconciled to the general ledger balances.
- 4. The Imperial Steward shall be informed in writing of any change in status or condition of any property or equipment.
- 5. Depreciation is recorded annually. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the related assets. Any impaired assets discovered during the inventory will be written down accordingly.
- 6. Records must be kept of any damage or destruction of chattel goods that occurs in the ordinary course of use.
- F. Disposal of Chattel

The following are the acceptable practices for disposal of chattel.

- 1. Sale at market value
  - a. Sale of chattel must be done at highest market value.
  - b. Determination is done by either;
    - i. Cost of item or resale value for constructed goods (whichever is higher)
    - ii. Average of three comparable bids
  - iii. Salvage value (the cost of base materials)
  - iv. Resale value
- 2. Donation to Non Profits
  - a. Chattel may be donated to other non-profit organizations.
  - b. Receipts of donations must be obtained from the receiving organization listing fair market value of items donated and the receiving organizations contact information.
  - c. Original receipts will be sent to the Imperial Steward when reporting. Copies are to be kept at the chapter level.
- 3. Destruction
  - a. To ruin the structure, organic existence, or condition and use of.
  - b. Record of approval and destruction will be sent to the Imperial Steward when reporting
  - c. To get rid of especially as useless or unwanted . (Must not go to membership)
  - d. Record of approval and disposal will be sent to the Imperial Steward when reporting
- 4. Discard
  - a. To get rid of especially as useless or unwanted . (Must not go to membership)
  - b. Record of approval and disposal will be sent to the Imperial Steward when reporting

It is important to remember that used property only has the value that is given to it by people willing to purchase the item. Therefore, if the property is deemed to have value there are ways that the Empire can protect itself when selling. Following are some suggestions:

- 1. e-bay or other auction sites;
- 2. Garage sales open to the public and other reenactment groups, cannot have bargaining reduce price below FMV (Fair Market Value) or other historical offers.
- 3. Never accept less than the salvage value of the item (especially if the property contains copper, aluminum or other strategic metal.)
- 4. In extraordinary circumstances, such as damage caused by weather, act of god, destruction by non-member, chattel shall be disposed of in accordance with these policies. Instance shall be recorded and reported.

- 5. Sellers can not choose adverse selling market that results in diminished purchasing prospects.
- G. Chattel Rules Governing Membership
  - 1. Chattel may never end up in the possession of membership unless purchased for fair market value.
  - 2. Record of sale will be sent to the Imperial Steward when reporting
- H. Conflict of Interest
  - 1. Voting members must abstain from votes regarding sale of items concerning the Empire and themselves, family members or members of their household where financial interest apply.
  - 2. Financial Interest is defined as any situation where money, property or employment can perceivably be affected.
  - 3. A family member is defined by blood or marriage.
  - 4. Members of Household will be defined as anyone who maintains the same household for over a year.

#### CRB4. Elevate ICW 2015-2: Conflict of Interest, Passed as Law

Approve as Law (requires 2/3rds), 100 / x - passed

The following Conflict of Interest Policy was passed as Law:

Article 1 – Purpose

The purpose of the conflict of interest writ is to protect the Adrian Empire, Inc. (the "Organization") interest when it is contemplating entering into a transaction or arrangement that might benefit the private interest of an officer or director of the Organization (or other person listed below) or might result in a possible excess benefit transaction. This conflict of interest writ is indented to supplement but not replace any applicable state and federal laws governing conflict of interest applicable to nonprofit and charitable organizations.

#### Article 2 – Definitions

1. Interested Person

Any director, officer, or member with governing board delegated powers, who has a direct or indirect financial interest, as defined below, is an interested person.

2. Financial Interest

A person has a financial interest if the person has, directly or indirectly, through business, investment, or family:

- a. An ownership or investment interest in any entity with which the Organization has a transaction or arrangement,
- b. A compensation arrangement with the Organization or with any entity or individual with which the Organization has a transaction or arrangement, or
- c. A potential ownership or investment interest in, or compensation arrangement with, any entity or individual with which the Organization is negotiating a transaction or arrangement.

Compensation includes direct and indirect remuneration as well as gifts or favors that are not insubstantial.

Article 3 – Procedures

1. Duty to Disclose

In connection with any actual or possible conflict of interest, an interested person must disclose the existence of the financial interest and be given the opportunity to disclose all material facts to the directors and members of committees with governing board delegated powers considering the proposed transaction or arrangement.

2. Determining Whether a Conflict of Interest

After disclosure of the financial interest and all material facts, and after any discussion with the interested person, he/she shall leave the governing board or committee meeting while the determination of a conflict of interest is discussed and voted upon. The remaining board or committee members shall decide if a conflict of interest exists.

- 3. Procedures for Addressing the Conflict of Interest
  - a. An interested person may make a presentation at the governing board or committee meeting, but after the presentation, he/she shall leave the meeting during the discussion of, and the vote on, the transaction or arrangement involving the possible conflict of interest.
  - b. The chairperson of the governing board or committee shall, if appropriate, appoint a disinterested person or committee to investigate alternatives to the proposed transaction or arrangement.
  - c. After exercising due diligence, the governing board or committee shall determine whether the Organization can obtain with reasonable efforts a more advantageous transaction or arrangement from a person or entity that would not give rise to a conflict of interest.
  - d. If a more advantageous or arrangement is not reasonably possible under circumstances not producing a conflict of interest, the governing board of committee shall determine by a majority vote of the disinterested directors whether the transaction or arrangement is in the Organization's best interest, for its own benefit, and whether it is fair and reasonable. In conformity with the above determination it shall make its decision as to whether to enter into the transaction or arrangement.
- 4. Violations of the conflict of Interest Writ
  - a. If the governing board or committee has reasonable cause to believe a member has failed to disclose actual or possible conflicts of interest, it shall inform the member of the basis for such belief and afford the member an opportunity to explain the alleged failure to disclose.
  - b. If, after hearing the member's response and after making further investigation as warranted by the circumstances, the governing board or committee determines the member has failed to disclose an actual or possible conflict of interest, it shall take appropriate disciplinary and corrective action.

Article 4 – Records of Proceedings

The minutes of the governing board and all committees with board delegated powers shall contain the names of the persons who were present for discussions and votes related to the transaction or arrangement, the content of the discussion, including any alternatives to the proposed transaction or arrangement, and a record of any votes taken in connection with the proceedings.

#### Article 5 - Compensation

1. A voting member of the governing board who receives compensation, directly or indirectly, from the Organization for services is preclude from voting on matters pertaining to that member's compensation.

- 2. A voting member of any committee whose jurisdiction includes compensation matters and who receives compensation, directly or indirectly from the Organization for services is precluded from voting on matters pertaining to that member's compensation.
- 3. No voting member of the governing board or any committee whose jurisdiction includes compensation matters and who receives compensation, directly or indirectly, from the Organization, either individually or collectively, is prohibited from providing information to any committee regarding compensation.

#### CRB5. Elevate ICW 2015-3: Whistleblower Policy, Passed as Law

Motion to discuss, failed from lack of a second.

Motion to amend to change to Board of Directors instead of Imperial Crown, not accepted as friendly, failed voice

Approve as Law (requires 2/3rds), 100 / x – passed

The following Whistleblower Policy was passed as Law:

#### A. **PURPOSE**:

The purpose of this Whistle-Blower Policy (the "Policy") is to:

- 1. encourage, and provide a mechanism for, directors, officers, members, and volunteers ("Covered Persons") of the Adrian Empire, Inc. (the "Organization") to report violations of the law, rule regulation, adopted policies of the Organization, accounting or financial fraud, or other misfeasance, whether know or suspected in good faith ("Violations"),
- 2. encourage cooperation in inquiries and investigations on reported Violations or Retaliation (as defined below), and
- 3. protect Covered Persons from Retaliation for good faith reporting of Violations or Retaliation.

#### **B. REPORTING PROCEDURE**:

Covered Persons have a responsibility to report (in good faith) Violations to the Imperial Crown. Covered Persons may also report Retaliation to the Imperial Crown. In the event Covered Persons do not want to report to the Imperial Crown, such Covered Persons may report to the President or Vice-President of the Board of Directors ("Board"). Reports of Violations or Retaliation may be submitted to any of the above-mentioned persons anonymously (thought it may be harder to conduct investigation of anonymous reports). All such reports received by the Imperial Crown or the President/Vice-President shall be reported to the Board of Directors. In the event such a report concerns the Imperial Crown, President, or Vice-President the officer shall recuse himself or herself and the Board shall designate an appropriate Organization officer to conduct the investigation ("Designated Officer").

- C. INVESTIGATION: A report of a Violation or Retaliation shall be investigated promptly by the Imperial Crown or Designated Officer. The Imperial Crown or Designated Officer may utilize outside parties (including counsel) to assist in the investigation. All such reports will be treated as confidentially as possible, given that there may need to be some disclosure to conduct the investigation. The Imperial Crown or Designated Officer shall provide a written report of investigation findings to the Board and the Board shall determine the appropriate response. Board members implicated in the report of a Violation or Retaliation shall not participate in such determination. The appropriate response determined by the Board shall be promptly carried out.
- D. **RETALIATION**: No Covered Person shall suffer harassment, intimidation, adverse treatment or consequences of any other form of retaliation ("Retaliation") for

- 1. making a good faith report of a Violation or Retaliation or
- 2. participating in an investigation (as set forth the previous paragraph), inquiry or investigation by any court, law enforcement or other governmental or administrative body.

The Adrian Empire, Inc. may discipline (up to and including Revocation) a Covered Person for any such Retaliation. A Covered Person making a report of Violation or Retaliation in bad faith may be subject to disciplinary action.

**Board of Directors Business** 

None.

Chancery Business

CH1. Changes to Bylaws and Writs, No action

(Notice only, no approval required)

A. Amend the Codex Adjudicata, IEW 2, IV.A.1

The Court shall be afforded a [quite] quiet place ...

A petition was made to seat the new votes created by elevating the two chapters, Burgundy and Konigsberg – passed voice

#### CH2. Court Reports, Rulings Approved

- A. Judicial Courts
- 1. Rulings of the Courts
  - a. Dame Marion Leal
  - b. Sir Gilli Of Bisqaia
  - c. Fredrick Falconer, Sir Derfel and Dame Wynn (Chattel Goods Cases)
  - d. Sir Thomas Cottone (Counter charges for Chattel Goods Cases)
  - e. Dorn das Schwartzbrau and Dame Felicia
  - f. Sir Hawthorne, Cocah, HIH Lenora, HIH Etaine, HIH Thomas, and Rosa Fiend

The Imperial Estates chose to approve the rulings of all of the above courts thus requiring any future modifications of the sentences to come before the Imperial Estates, 97 / 3 / includes 16 abstentions from Terre Neuve – passed

See Appendix B.

CH3. Election of BoD Members

Research did not show the published opening in Region 2, but with Their Imperial Majesties' resignations from the board, that there were now openings for Region 1 and Region 3. Since Michelle Kout's (HRM Babette of Terre Neuve) nomination had been published, it was voted and passed by voie to give her the open Region 1 seat. Region 3 was not filled by the Estates.

CH4. Election of the BoD President

Bryan Keneally (Sir Tailan Bran McNeil) was elected as BoD President - passed voice

CH5. Approval of the 2014-2015 Actuals, **Tabled** 

Tabled by voice vote

#### CH6. Approval of the 2015-2016 Budget, Passed as Modified

Passed by voice vote.

See Appendix C.

**Old Business** 

OB1. Amend Lex Adria to redefine "Charter", Tabled

Corrections are needed in the listing of the item. Tabled by voice vote

OB2. Amend Lex Adria to Change Land Grants for New Chapters, Tabled

Tabled by voice vote

OB3. Amend IEW-2, Codex Adjudicata, to Provide the Plaintiff with Timely Justice, Failed

Motion to table – failed by voice

OB3 failed by voice

OB4. Change IEW-2, Codex Adjudicata, Right of Appeal, Passed

Passed by voice vote

Modify IEW-2 paragraph IV.H. as follows:

H. Right of Appeal

A member who has been found guilty in a judicial court may appeal that finding to the Imperial Crown, in writing, within 30 days. Within 30 days of the written request for appeal, the Imperial Crown shall review the charges and evidence. Either 30-day deadline may be extended for cause. A banished member shall be allowed to attend those events necessary to prepare for his appeal, but shall not be permitted to participate in the activities of the event. The final Court of Appeal shall be the Imperial Estates, whose decision shall be binding. The judgment of the local court shall remain in effect until the Imperial Crown has rendered a decision. The decision of the Imperial Estates is final. The Complainant shall have no right to appeal an adverse ruling. The decision of the Imperial Crown is final.

Note: This is a clarification of current practice.

OB5. Amend Lex Adria Article VI.I to include a minimum age, Passed

Passed by voice vote

1. A member shall be limited to a maximum of one vote granted by any and all non-landed titles or ranks.

- 2. In addition, a member shall be limited to one vote granted by landed representation.
- 3. There shall be no limit to the number of votes that are granted by proxy.

4. For purposes of this section, second and third level knighthood shall be considered non-landed voting ranks.

5. A member must be at least 18 years of age to hold or cast a vote or a proxy.

OB6. Amend Bylaws Article III.E, Failed

Failed by voice vote

#### New Business

All New Business was discussed. Item NB2 was acted upon.

NB2. Amend the Period to end in 1625, Passed

A motion to act on this item passed 85 / 33. The item passed by voice vote.

Note: This does NOT change any of our other rules such as gun powder use or armor requirements.

#### Discussion

All Discussion Items were discussed.

#### Adjournment

The next meeting date was announced as the 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend in March, March 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015 in Las Vegas at the Fortune Hotel.

Meeting Adjourned.

# **APPENDIX A. MINISTER REPORTS**

Imperial Crowns

- Minister volunteering is helpful and the ministers are trying their hardest, but reporting and completion of duties are insufficient. From an internal audit standpoint, the empire received a fail.
- The imperial minister is generally spending their time gathering data and unable to verify. This problem is compounded by inability of local support. This has led to a fall-off in accountability in steward and rolls offices. This practice really needs to change for our organization to grow.
- In the Steward's office, it has delayed out internal audit and we have discovered that the internal/external audit process had stopped. We have restarted the process, but for reasons stated above, it's being delayed.
- In the rolls office, we have ordered that crown ministry points and DIs were to be awarded at the end of our reign when we could verify that crowns not only held events but followed the rules of the empire. We also ordered that crowns could not substitute other ministry activities to replace their required duties with some optional service. Those Crowns that did additional services that warranted additional points were to have those points included at the end of the reign with all their other points. If a crown needed special attention to be knighted before the end of the reign, we accommodated, on notice. Apparently, the rolls minister included combat, arts, and archery in this policy and that was not supposed to happen. We are hereby ordering all these points to be added immediately.
- In the chancery, there is a disconnect between crown and ministers. The minsters work mechanically to put out agendas with minimal review in an effort to meet timelines. However, quality and completeness suffers.

#### December 20, 2015

## Imperial Archivist

Greetings to you all

First, I would like to thanks you for the chance to serve and hopefully continue to serve as your Archives Minister.

This past year has seen this office hit a few road blocks,

Scanner servicing, now back up and running

Constant requests for information not answered, solution? We will work with what we have.... Weather... go figure

As of this day 11-03-2015 we have 1/2 of the records scanned and verified. What does this mean? The Imperial records up to 2014 are in order and scanned.

The inactive chapters are all but 1 chapter away from being finished up

Of the Active Chapters, as of the middle of this month, we should have all scans done with the exception of current events. I have been working with my Deputy Dama Antonia Lopez to finish up what we can. We do have a questionable stuff box still that we are working through with the help of HIH Dame Etaine.

All financial archives are still with the Imp Steward with a promise that they are done scanning and should be back here very soon.

The BoD box has been scanned and resealed. I do not look at this..

My concerns for going forward are the following:

Is it the wish of the Imp Body to go paperless? I do understand that most events are sent in via scans now. I have been using a personal portable hard drive that has approx. 300G of space (Adria is sharing space with my research information.) My concern is this, When the Imp Rolls sends me things, I do not have the printer capable of handling all of the printing needed. I can however handle the paperless option while creating backup discs for TIM and Imp Rolls. This is just one option. In the past the Imp Rolls had sent me boxes with everything in it and then I sort, scan and file.

Will the Archives office have the option to receive requests for information or even a place to store into on the Forum or the Adrian Empire.org site? Maybe even links like the Heralds have? This is just a thought.

Please let me know how I am to proceed in the future. Until I hear differently, I will keep working with the system that we have in place.

I do check my email 2x every day... Please feel free to ask any questions you may have.

In service to the Dream of Adria ben seyr Alistrina Imp Archives

#### Imperial Rolls

Your Imperial Majesties, Members of the Imperial Estates and Members of the Empire, Greetings from Dame Katelyn, Imperial Minister of Rolls and Lists.

I have often said, doing third level audits is one of my greatest pleasures in this office. It never fails to amaze me the amount of time and effort put forth by these members. This meeting, I am happy to tell you, two of the pending audits from my previous report were completed and approved. Four more audits have been requested. Three of them have been completed and approved with the fourth one pending imperial review and approval.

Please join with me in congratulating these members – listed in order of submission -Sir Geoffrey Maynard, mka Jeff Whiting, Knight Champion Sir Kenshin Hanabe, mka Preston Gibson, Knight Premier Sir Angules Blackbird, mka Allen Crow, Knight Champion Dame Cassiopppia de Acmd, mka Cheryl DeRivi, Knight Doctor Sir Desmond Wallace, mka Brandon Grider, Knight Premier

I was also able to assist with several First and Second level audits across the Empire. I have two outstanding conversion audits.

It was somewhat disconcerting to find that many of the same mistakes were made in different chapters. Taking from questions that had been asked and things I have seen repeatedly, I have recently begun doing a Reminder of the Week on the Adria Rolls Yahoo Group. The information seems to be well received. Some of it is already well known across the board, but I have heard directly from several ministers thanking me for providing the information. My goal was to take a little of the mystery out of the Rolls Manual.

One of the goals I had hoped to achieve was to clean up the old open events in the database. I find that to be a herculean task, but with the help of ministers across the Empire, we have made a considerable dent in the numbers. Just something to keep the Imperial Minister of Rolls occupied in their spare time in the future.

Sadly, I find that several of our chapters do not report in the manner that they are expected to. When I stepped into this office, I posted that I would consider communications and submission of events as the required monthly report. I asked for a regular flow of paperwork. If there was nothing to submit, I requested an email advising me of this.

Kudos to the following chapters for their Excellent regular submissions and communications – Albion Rayonne, Alhambra, Brandenburg, Cashel, Connacht, Constantinople, Konigsberg, Roanoke, Var Heim and Wolfendorf. I add Stirling as well, but then - that is my home chapter where I am the Rolls Minister.

The remainder of the chapters will be alphabetical - Aurochs Fjord had a little bump in the road, but have settled down and working their way right into the Excellent category. Cyprus had a hard time starting up with the new Crown, but they have gotten themselves caught up thru July. Drachetor hasn't been in touch for a couple months. Esperance also had a little bump, but they as well are heading back into the excellent category. Gloucester and Glynmore experienced some issues but recently sent in a large batch of events. Lancaster is current, but needs a nudge every now and then. Murrisk has not sent anything in since July. Pembroke just got a new Viceroy a couple months ago. He is still learning the

ropes, but handed me several months worth of events recently. Ravens Fjord sends multiple months at a time, but is current. Somerset was very quiet for several months, but has filled my mailbox over the past couple weeks. Terre Neuve got themselves caught up early in the year, were regular for several months, but ran into a few bumps. They have also filled my mailbox in the recent past in an effort to catch up. Umbria sent the year in 4 bundles, but have been silent since July. York needs the occasional nudge, seems to be on a two month cycle, but is current.

Malta has had no events, but has reported several demos on a quarterly basis.

Also sadly, I have not received any reports or data from the following chapters – Bisqaia, Brunico, Chesapeake or Thinairia.

Wherever your chapter may be in this listing, I totally understand the vagaries of life. Therefore, I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to each of the Rolls Ministers across the Empire. I understand you are doing the best you can. And I know - you didn't pick me – some of you wish I would go away, but it has been a lot fun getting to know you. I wouldn't have missed this party for the world.

To close this report, I would like to also thank Their Imperial Majesties Wright and Elizabeth for placing their trust in me this past year. I know that I filled THEIR mailboxes on multiple occasions with questions, requests and some good ole fashioned bitchin.

And to the Empire - It has been my pleasure and honor to serve you. Thank you.

In Service Dame Katelyn Imperial Minister of Rolls and Lists

# **APPENDIX B. JUDICIAL COURT REPORTS**

Unto the Imperial Crown, herein please find the results of trial held August 23, 2015:

Trial was held by order of the magistrate. Due to non response of the defendant, the date had been set by the magistrate. The proceedings were video-recorded from approximately 3:00 pm a.m. local time until approximately 4:00 p.m. The video recording was done with equipment belonging to Lord Wright Bentwood and performed by Trinity. All recordings were made under the supervision of the magistrate. The video recording was done with equipment belonging to Lord Wright Bentwood and performed by Trinity. All recordings were made under the supervision of the magistrate. The video recordings were stored on devices of Lord Wright Bentwood. The record is to be compiled and stored in a place designated by the Imperial Crown.

Prince Le Bete de Acamd had presided as pre-trial magistrate, and at trial Sir Finnian MacLeod presided. His Imperial Majesty, Lord Wright Bentwood, oversaw all proceeding on behalf of the Imperial Crown and since was going to take the role of prosecutor empowered the Magistrate the power to overrule him.

The defendants were known as follows:

Dame Marion of Esperance

She was charged as follows pursuant to the Codex Adjudicata IV. E.:

- 1. Conduct Unbecoming a Knight;
- 2. Disharmony;

Specifically, it was alleged that:

The defendant has been interacting with the populace and posting on our electronic boards with untrue statements in a manner to create to disrupt the harmony and enjoinment in activates of the Adrian Empire;

That the purpose of this behavior had been to disrupt the enjoyment of membership and ruin the reputation of The Imperial Crown to the point where they blame the Imperial Crown and/or damage the Imperial Crowns reputation;

At the time of the reading of the foregoing charges, Dame Marion was not in attendance, nor was she represented. It was announced that Dame Marion had let her membership lapse from the Empire, however she sent in several written statements and had a robust email conversation with the pre trial magistrate. The Magistrate sought volunteers to represent the interests of Dame Marion, and no one volunteered.

His Imperial Majesty granted a Courts of Chivalry and sought volunteers at this time.

For the panel Earl Bour, HRM Sir Phobos and Sir Triston. All was found acceptable without objection.

For the office of Bailiff, Squire Robert James (with his Knights approval) volunteered as being available and not a material witness. There was no objection, and he was found acceptable.

Lord Wright summarized His position in the recitation of the charges.

The Codex (IV.A.1.) calls for witnesses to be heard by the court, with the complainant testifying second to last, and defendant(s) testifying last.

The prosecution called His Imperial Highness Sir Thomas Weimer as a witness and presented physical print outs of the emails to the panel. Testimonials from Sir William Baine and Her Imperial Highness Dame Mary Elizabeth were presented.

For the defense written statements from His Grace Sir Ce'Wolf and Her Grace Dame Larissa, Finally, Statements from Dame Marion were read into the Court.

The evidentiary portion was thus concluded. Disposition of the case was submitted to the judges.

The magistrate then cleared the court for deliberation, which continued for about 20 minutes, and which was not recorded.

The judges deliberated as to the guilt or innocence of defendant. The results were as follows:

Dame Marion: By split decision, Not Guilt of Disharmony. With regard to the charge of Conduct Unbecoming a Knight - guilty, Unanimous decision. Recommended sentence: Two judges recommend Permanent Loss of all ranks and titles. One judge recommends that rank and title can be restored after a public apology is approved.

Crown Sentence:

Dame Marion shall be immediately be stripped of all ranks, titles and knighthoods. Further, she is shall be sent to a cloister for rest and rehabilitation. While there she is subject to limited judicial ban from holding any ministry position. She shall reside there for a period of one year past the submission and acceptance of a apology that clearly shows regret and a commitment not to reoffend. This apology shall be made public by the Imperial Crowns in a manner they feel appropriate. Upon release from the Cloister, Marion may re-earn points towards knighthoods. Being that Marion has let her membership lapse, this punishment shall be held in abeyance until, if ever, she rejoins the Empire.

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Unto the Imperial Crown, herein please find the results of trial held August 23, 2015:

Trial was held by order of the Magistrate. Due to non response of the defendant the date had been set by the Magistrate. The proceedings were video-recorded from approximately 2:00 pm a.m. local time until approximately 3:00 p.m. The video recording was done with equipment belonging to Lord Wright Bentwood and performed by Trinity. All recordings were made under the supervision of the Magistrate. The video

recordings were stored on devices of Lord Wright Bentwood. The record is to be compiled and stored in a place designated by the Imperial Crown.

Prince L' Bete'e deAcmd had presided as pre-trial Magistrate and at trial Sir Finnian MacLeod presided. His Imperial Majesty, Lord Wright Bentwood, oversaw all proceeding on behalf of the Imperial Crown and since was going to take the role of prosecutor empowered the Magistrate the power to overrule him.

The defendants were known as follows:

Sir Gilli Of Bisqaia

He was charged as follows pursuant to the Codex Adjudicata IV. E.:

1. Disharmony;

2. Treason;

Specifically, it was alleged that:

The defendant has been interacting with the populace and posting on our electronic boards in a manner to create disruption and damage the harmony and enjoyment in activities of the Adrian Empire;

That the purpose of this behavior had been to disrupt the enjoyment of membership to the point where they quit the Empire and thus weaken or destroy its ongoing existence;

At the time of the reading of the foregoing charges, Sir Gilli was not in attendance, nor was he represented. It was announced that Sir Gilli had let his membership lapse from the Empire, and that he had previously announced that he would abstain from participation in the proceedings. The Magistrate sought volunteers to represent the interests of Sir Gilli and no one volunteered.

His Imperial Majesty granted a Courts of Chivalry.

For the panel Earl Bour, HRM Sir Phobos and Sir Triston. All were found acceptable without objection.

For the office of Bailiff, Squire Robert James (with his Knights approval) volunteered as being available and not a material witness. There was no objection, and he was found acceptable.

Lord Wright, summarized His position in the recitation of the charges.

The Codex (IV.A.1.) calls for witnesses to be heard by the court, with the complainant testifying second to last, and defendant(s) testifying last.

The prosecution called Dame Katelyn as a witness and presented physical print outs of the email posts to the panel.

The evidentiary portion was thus concluded. Disposition of the case was submitted to the judges.

The magistrate then cleared the court for deliberation, which continued for about 20 minutes and which was not recorded.

The judges deliberated as to the guilt or innocence of defendant. The results were as follows:

Sir Gilli was found guilty of Treason. Sir Gilli was also found guilty of Disharmony. The recommended sentence was loss of all ranks and titles. Also, Banishment from the Empire to be completed not shorter than one year and lifted after a written apology is pre-approved by the Imperial Crown to be published throughout the Empire. Unanimous decision.

#### Crown Sentence:

Sir Gilli is immediately stripped of all ranks, titles, knighthoods and awards permanently. Gilli is also subject to banishment from the Empire for one year past the receipt and acceptance of written apology that clearly shows regret and a commitment not to re-offend. Upon return Gilli is banished to the public house and may maintain no property of his own. This is to mean a permanent limited judicial ban preventing him from holding a Crown position, providing a location to hold events or participate in any other facet in which he can abuse his authority to hold his personal opinion over subjects of the Empire. Being that Gilli has let his membership lapse, this sentence shall be held in abeyance until, if ever, he rejoins. At that point it shall start to take effect. It should be noted that although Gilli loss of knighthoods can not be waived, he may re-earn them through normal methods.

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Unto the Imperial Crown, herein please find the results of trial held September 19, 2015:

Trial was held by order of the magistrate. The date had been set by the magistrate. The proceedings were recorded from approximately 10:18 pm a.m. local time until approximately 5:00 pm. The recording was done with equipment belonging to Lord Wright Bentwood and performed by Dame Sorche Kirby All recordings were made under the supervision of the magistrate. The video recordings were stored on devices of Lord Wright Bentwood. The magistrate also did voice recordings. The record is to be compiled and stored in a place designated by the Imperial Crown.

Sir Wilhelmus Blizce presided as magistrate, Her Imperial Majesty Elizabeth Blizce, oversaw all proceeding on behalf of the Imperial Crown. His Imperial Majesty Wright Bentwood presented the evidence in the role of prosecutor. His Imperial Majesty set aside his role as Imperial Crown and acknowledged her Imperial Highness was acting Imperial Crown for the court proceedings and empowered the Magistrate the power to overrule him. Sir Thomas Sauvage served for the defense for Rosa Fiend per her request.

The defendants were known as follows:

Her Highness Etaine LLywelyn

His Highness Thomas Weimar

Rosa Fiend

Sir Hawthorne De Tallyrand Perigord

Cocah

All were charged as follows pursuant to the Codex Adjudicata IV. E .:

1. Conduct Unbecoming a Knight;

2. Nonfeasance – Her Highness Lenora Greyphis, His Highness Thomas Weimar, Her Highness Eltaine LLywelyn

Misfeasance – Rosa Fiend

Malfeasance – Cocah, Sir Hawthorne De Tallyrand Perigord

Specifically, it was alleged that:

The defendants did not properly keep track of a Certificate of Deposit that was not transferred during the bank transfer. This occurred during reign of Cocah and Hawthorne and continued into the reign of Thomas and Elaine. During both reigns there steward and their majesties were notified of the Certificate of Deposit but did not retrieve it from the old bank. Rosa and Lenora were stewards. If the Certificate of Deposit had not been retrieved by his Imperial Majesty Wright Bentwood during the reign of him and Her Imperial Majesty Mary Elizabeth the Adrian Empire would have lost over 10,000 dollars.

At the time of the reading of the foregoing charges, none of the defendants were in attendance. Dame Rosa was represented by Sir Thomas Sauvage. The Magistrate and Her Imperial Majesty sought volunteers to represent the interests of the others and Sir Thomas also stepped up to represent her Highness Lenora. Greyphis There was no members who volunteered to represent Her Highness Etaine LLywelyn, His Highness Thomas Weimar, Sir Hawthorn or Cocah.

Her Imperial Majesty Elizabeth Blizce granted a Courts of Chivalry and sought volunteers to preside as knights of judgment at this time.

The volunteers for the panel were Sir Gabriel Sauvage, Sir Piers Sauvage, Sir Hans Schroeder Sauvage and both the prosecution and the defense agreed all were found acceptable and without objection. The panel agreed to the oath of chivalry to perform their service to the best of their ability, without malice or prejudgment, and follow the writs and laws of the Adrian Empire

For the office of Bailiff, Asgar volunteered as being available and not a material witness. There was no objection, and he was found acceptable.

Lord Wright Bentwood gave opening statements.

Sir Thomas gave opening statements for Rosa and Highness Lenora Greyphis

Statements from his Highness Thomas, her Highness Etaine, Sir Hawthorne, Cocha were read to the court by the balif Asgar.

The Codex (IV.A.1.) calls for witnesses to be heard by the court, with the complainant testifying second to last, and defendant(s) testifying last

The prosecution presented emails, statements, and estate minutes. His majesty then took the stand as the complainant and gave his testimony. The defense was allowed to question the evidence and cross examine his majesty.

For the defense written statements, emails and other documents were presented. Also Sir Hawthorne and Cocah were telephoned and Sir Hawthorne gave testimony and a closing statement via speakerphone. Hawthorne asked Dame Cocah if she had more to add and she declined. The prosecution was allowed to question the evidence.

The prosecution presented his closing statements.

The defense presented his closing statements.

The evidentiary portion was thus concluded. Disposition of the case was submitted to the judges.

The magistrate then cleared the court for deliberation, which continued for about 1 hour, and which was not recorded.

The judges deliberated as to the guilt or innocence of defendants. The results were as follows:

Her Imperial Highness Dame Lenora Greyphis.

1. On the charge of Conduct Unbecoming a Knight we find Dame Lenora Greyphis Not Guilty.

2. On the charge of Misfeasance we find Dame Lenora Greyphis Not Guilty.

Unanimous Vote.

Rosa Fiend.

1. On the Charge of Conduct Unbecoming a Knight we find Rosa Fiend Not Guilty.

2. On the charge of Misfeasance we find Rosa Fiend Not Guilty.

a. We found Rosa Fiend Not guilty because we feel that she did her job as the Imperial Stewart according to the Stewarts Manual.

Unanimous Vote.

Her Imperial Highness Dame Etaine LLywelyn.

- 1. On the charge of Conduct Unbecoming a Knight we find Dame Etaine LLywelyn Not Guilty.
- 2. We find Dame Etaine LLywelyn Guilty of Nonfeasance.

Recommended Sentencing.

1. To make a public apology for being neglectful as the Imperial Crown for not following up on the missing \$10,000 Certificate of Deposit. Apology must be posted on all of the Adrian Boards and on Facebook.

Unanimous Vote.

His Imperial Highness Sir Thomas Weimar.

1. On the charge of Conduct Unbecoming a Knight we find Sir Thomas Weimar Not Guilty.

2. We find Sir Thomas Weimar Guilty of Nonfeasance.

#### Recommended Sentencing

1. To make a public apology for being neglectful as the Imperial Crown for not following up on the missing \$10,000 Certificate of Deposit. Apology must be posted on all of the Adrian Boards and on Facebook.

Unanimous Vote.

Sir Hawthorne.

- 1. On the charge of Conduct Unbecoming a Knight we find Sir Hawthorne De Tallyrand Perigord Guilty.
- 2. We find Sir Hawthorne Guilty of Malfeasance.

Split Vote. Sir Gabriel Sauvage guilty of malfeasance

Sir Piers Sauvage guilty of Malfeasance

Sir Hans Schroeder Sauvage guilty of Misfeasance

#### **Recommeded Sentencing**

1. Sir Gabriel Sauvage and Sir Piers Sauvage recommendation.

A. Judicial ban from all Imperial and Local offices for one year and a day.

B. To make a public apology for being neglectful as the Imperial Crown for not following up on the missing \$10,000 Certificate of Deposit. Apology must be posted on all of the Adrian Boards and on Facebook.

2. Sir Hans Schroeder Sauvage recommendation.

A. Judicial ban from all Imperial offices for one year and a day and having to hold an office at the local level for at least 3 months after the ban. Also to seek education from 3 different individuals that has held the imperial office before being allowed to take an Imperial office.

B. To make a public apology for being neglectful as the Imperial Crown for not following up on the missing \$10,000 Certificate of Deposit. Apology must be posted on all of the Adrian Boards and on Facebook.

Cocah.

1. On the charge of Conduct Unbecoming a Knight we find Cocah Guilty.

2. We find Cocah Guilty of Malfeasance.

Split Vote. Sir Gabriel Sauvage guilty of malfeasance

Sir Piers Sauvage guilty of Malfeasance

Sir Hans Schroeder Sauvage guilty of Misfeasance

Recommended Sentencing

- 3. Sir Gabriel Sauvage and Sir Piers Sauvage recommendation.
- A. Judicial ban from all Imperial and Local offices for one year and a day.

B. To make a public apology for being neglectful as the Imperial Crown for not following up on the missing \$10,000 Certificate of Deposit. Apology must be posted on all of the Adrian Boards and on Facebook.

4. Sir Hans Schoeder Sauvage recommendation.

A. Judicial ban from all Imperial offices for one year and a day and having to hold an office at the local level for at least 3 months after the ban. Also to seek education from 3 different individuals that has held the imperial office before being allowed to take an Imperial office.

B. To make a public apology for being neglectful as the Imperial Crown for not following up on the missing \$10,000 Certificate of Deposit. Apology must be posted on all of the Adrian Boards and on Facebook.

Crown Decisions:

In regard to Her Imperial Highness Dame Lenora Greyphis. - Not Guilty all counts

In regard to Rosa Fiend – Not Guilty all counts

In regard to Her Imperial Highness Dame Etaine LLywelyn –1. Conduct unbecoming a knight – not guilty. 2. Guilty Nonfeasance – The Crown sentences apology acceptable to the Crowns for public presentation for not following up on the missing \$10,000 Certificate of Deposit beyond simply asking the other defendants if they took care of it.

In regard to His Imperial Highness Sir Thomas Weimar –1. Conduct unbecoming a knight – not guilty. 2. Guilty Nonfeasance – The Crown sentences apology acceptable to the Crowns for public presentation for not following up on the missing \$10,000 Certificate of Deposit beyond simply depending on his co ruler to handle it.

In regard to Sir Hawthorne - 1. Conduct unbecoming a knight – guilty. 2. Guilty Malfeasance. The Crown sentences loss of belt and title and limited Judicial Ban preventing the holding of ministry office until provided with an acceptable apology but not to be shorter than a year and a day. Said apology must include a clear understanding that the Crown has the final say and responsibility of the Empires finances and must clearly present the correct standing of the Empires Finances to the Imperial Estates as well as regret for not doing such themselves. Further the document must contain a commitment not to reoffend

In regard to Cocah - - 1. Conduct unbecoming a knight – guilty. 2. Guilty Malfeasance. The Crown sentences Cocah to loss of belt and title and limited Judicial Ban preventing the holding of ministry office until provided with an acceptable apology but not to be shorter than a year and a day. Said apology must include a clear understanding that the Crown has the final say and responsibility of the Empires finances and must clearly present the correct standing of the Empires Finances to the Imperial Estates as well as regret for not doing such themselves. Further the document must contain a commitment not to reoffend.Being Cocah has a conviction from another case it should be made clear that this sentence is to run consecutively.

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Chattel Goods Case

Trial Proceedings at the University of Nevada Las Vegas 9/12/15

Prior Imperial Crown, Sir Thomas v. Sir Derfel, Falconer, and Dame Wynn and Sir Falconer v. Sir Thomas Weimar as Crown at the time of charge.

Matter was scheduled for 9 a.m. Formal convening was postponed to allow for others to attend and for arrangements to be made for accommodation of defendants, if possible. At about 11 a.m., the proceeding was convened by Imperial Crowns.

December 20, 2015

HIM Wright stated the purpose of the proceedings and appointed Sir Nikolai as interim Magistrate in place of the prior Magistrate. He then doffed his crown due to His status as a material witness but retained His chain. Dame Elizabeth remained presiding with all accouterments of Imperial Majesty.

Sir Thomas prosecuted as a knight who had borne the Imperial Crown at the time of the original complaint.

As defendants were not present, and none had stepped forward in their defense, Sir Nikolai conducted a lottery of knights present to appoint a knight to represent their interests. Sir Robert LaCroix was appointed for the defense to be assisted by Sir William Baine as Chancellor (as well as the Magistrate, as provided in the Codex).

As Sir Robert had set up the videography, he relinquished those duties to Sire Diana Corleone for the duration of these proceedings as well as the subsequent proceedings (although Sir Robert retained custody of the official record, which was later duplicated by Sir Robert and delivered to Sir Nikolai on DVD by about 11 a.m. the following morning).

HIM Wright revealed that the Crown's Administration had been contacted by Dame Wynn, and that she had requested not to participate, and that she not be contacted; that she no longer had an interest in participating in Adria.

Sir Robert did not contact Dame Wynn, but he did contact Sir Derfel. Sir Robert subsequently contacted Falconer using contact information provided by Dame Ashlynn (telephonically) through Sir Nikolai. Dame Ashlynn asked to be contacted when the time came to address Falconer's counter-charges against Sir Thomas Weimar as she had indicated that she would be his counsel in that matter at the proceedings of March 28 and 29, 2015.

Dame Ashlynn protested not receiving notice that trial had been scheduled for Falconers case against Sir Thomas, but did not formally object. When contacted, Falconer declined to participate, nor did he raise objections to the proceedings, but he did provide statements of substantive evidence in opposition to the Crown's case, which were heard by all present (and presumed considered by the Crown and those knights ultimately appointed to the Court of Chivalry).

Sir Derfel offered objections, which were heard through Sir Robert and by speakerphone. Sir Thomas objected to all of Sir Derfel's objections as untimely, and the Magistrate reserved on Sir Thomas' counter-objections. Sir Derfel's objections were as follows:

1. No notice: (withdrawn on showing of emailed notice of August 16, 2015 with charges and date/time/location of trial); With regard to the rest of Sir Derfel's objections, Sir Derfel(through Sir Robert, who was in telephonic contact with him) offered to withdraw them on condition that the matter be continued to a time and place of mutual convenience in the Florida area. Sir Thomas offered to accept the offer on condition that Sir Derfel pay the Empires and the participants travel expenses to Las Vegas for the proceedings. Sir Derfel inquired as to the amount of the expenses. Sir Thomas responded that they had been in excess of \$1000. Sir Derfel declined Sir Thomas' condition and withdrew his offer.

As to the balance of the objections listed below, HIM Wright asked for an off-record chamber's conference involving the Chancellor, the Magistrate, Sir Robert and Sir Thomas. The rest of the assemblage were encouraged to get lunch. After a number of hours of reviewing information pertinent to the objections as well as communication between Sir Robert and Sir Derfel, the proceedings reviewed on the record, with the chambers conference summarized.

2. Mediation declined: Overruled due to law that mediation, while subject to mandatory time constraints, was not mandatory in implementation, and could legally be refused by any party.

Any issue of a request for "arbitration" (mundane arbitration pursuant to our membership forms/waivers) presented to the Board of Directors which seemed to be the "mediation" to which Sir Derfel had been referring, and on which the Board had taken no action)was irrelevant to the Adrian proceedings.

3. Not allowed defense: Denied on showing of emailed notices regarding the reopening of the case, as well as time for discovery and preparation.

4. The manner in which the case had been started up again had been improper: It was shown that the case had been properly put on hold by the Imperial Estates within the original trial-setting period (which had commenced with the complaint of 2012) after mediation had already been refused and after defendants had declined to agree to a trial date/location such that the duty then had fallen to the Magistrate. It had been shown that the Imperial Estates had taken the case out of "hold" in November of 2013 to be conducted by the Crown once advised by mundane insurance-provided liability counsel that it was appropriate to do so due to the lawsuit filed by Falconer against the Empire). It had been shown that such had been again announced at the informal meeting of Imperial Estates on February 8, 2014. The announcement that the mundane lawsuit had been settled was shown to be May 8, 2015, and it was considered established that the mundane attorney's advice permitting the case to proceed would have come at or near that date. The Objection was overruled.

5. That more than 6 months had passed for the trial-setting period: An examination of the timeline showed that excepting the period of time that the matter was on hold, the matter had been set for trial well within the 6-month period required. The objection was overruled.

6. That immediate justice had been requested in 2012, and had not been granted: No such request could be found, and such assertion seemed belied by the inability to reach agreement with Sir Derfel for a trial date and time prior to the hold. The objections seemed inconsistent with Sir Derfel's request that the matter be continued postponed). The objection was overruled.

With regard to all the foregoing objections, all were resolved pursuant to the law on essentially undisputed material facts (except the issue of immediate justice, which was disputed).

With regard to Sir Thomas' counter-objections based on the timeliness of Sir Derfel's objections, the Magistrate did not address those objections, as they had become moot due to all of Sir Derfel's objections being overruled on substantive grounds. The Magistrate indicated that Sir Thomas' timeliness objections might have been immediately dispositive (with a lot of time saved), if the current interim Magistrate had been sufficiently familiar with the pre-trial proceedings to rule on them immediately; however, since the current interim Magistrate had been almost completely unfamiliar with those pre-trial proceedings, such pre-trial proceedings needed to be reviewed in order to facilitate a ruling on Sir Thomas' counter-objections. As the pre-trial proceedings had to be reviewed anyway, the Magistrate was able to receive sufficient information to address Sir Derfel's objections on the merits, which as indicated above, rendered Sir Thomas' counter-objections moot.

While the result was a significant consumption of time, perhaps the appearance of an objective review of the pre-trial proceedings was beneficial.

Sir Derfel then moved to recuse Sir Thomas from prosecuting due to his being a material witness.

The motion was denied as it is legally proper per the Codex (in fact, often expected) for the prosecutor to also be the material witness.

With all pre-trial objections to that point ruled upon, and it being determined that trial would proceed, Sir Nikolai gave all parties the opportunity to object to him continuing as Magistrate.

No objections were made by any parties, and Sir Nikolai symbolically donned his red Ministry capelet.

Sir Thomas then moved to dismiss charges against Dame Wynn. The motion was to dismiss the charge of misfeasance unconditionally and with prejudice (implicitly granted without opposition). The motion was further to dismiss the charge of conduct unbecoming a knight in exchange for Dame Wynn's prior cooperation with the prosecution's investigation on condition that the defense agree that Sir Thomas could present by verbal declaration information received from Dame Wynn in lieu of Dame Wynn's testimony. As the motion clearly created a conflict of interest between Dame Wynn and the other defendants, Sir Robert was dismissed as Dame Wynn's counsel. Sir Gregor volunteered to represent Dame Wynn's interests (although he did not contact her, per her announced request).

Sir Thomas objected as he was concerned that appointing Sir Gregor as counsel for Dame Wynn would reduce the pool of knights available to serve on a Court of Chivalry. Sir Thomas' objection was overruled.

Sir Robert, on behalf of Falconer and Sir Derfel (with Sir Derfel's concurrence) agreed to accept Sir Thomas' condition with regard to dismissing the second charge against Dame Wynn, as did Sir Gregor(who might have insisted on trial on behalf of Dame Wynn to "clear her name" or for other reasons, although such would be contrary to Dame Wynn's earlier reported statement that she had no interest in the proceedings).

There being no objection, all charges were dropped against Dame Wynn.

As she was no longer a defendant, Sir Gregor was relieved of his duties as counsel for Dame Wynn.

It was revealed by HIM Wright that the original charges had been lost due to actions of Sir Dorn, but the charges against the remaining defendants were read from the finding of merit without objection. The charges were malfeasance (selling chattel goods of the Empire to themselves and others at a fraction of their actual fair market value), and conduct unbecoming a knight (for attempting to justify and/or cover up the malfeasance and for refusing to fully rectify same).

Falconer (through Robert) requested a Royal Court (from Dame Elizabeth, who presided).

Sir Derfel requested a Court of Chivalry.

Selections were made for knights of the Court of Chivalry as set forth below. Voire dire was conducted by the Magistrate. Neither prosecution nor defense had further questions. Neither made objections. The Magistrate determined that none was a material witness, and none exhibited bias.

The Court of Chivalry:

Sir Gwyllum for defense Sir Gregor for prosecution, and Sir Desmond as arbiter (chosen by the previous two knights)

Dame Alistrina (HRG bensayr Alistrina Amragosso) named as bailiff.

She administered oath of fidelity and good faith to the Court and compiled the list of witnesses.

Sir Thomas started presentation. He presented Exhibits P-1 through P-6.

Lord Wright called as a witness. Bailiff administered the oath fidelity and honesty. Sir Thomas presented Exhibits P-7 and P-8 (P-9 was supporting documentation as to values of chattel goods, which was left at prosecution desk for perusal). Also presented was a picture called up by Sir Thomas using Her Imperial Majesty's tablet.

Sir Thomas then presented his verbal declaration (offer of proof) as to information received from Dame Wynn.

Sir Thomas then rested.

Sir Derfel testified via speakerphone after being administered the oath by the Bailiff.

At some point in the presentation, Sir Derfel raised the objection that the proceedings might be barred by the mundane settlement reached between the Adrian Empire, Inc. and Falconer. The objection was overruled as being factually unsupported.

Lord Wright testified in rebuttal. Sir Derfel testified in sur-rebuttal.

All testimony at trial was subject to cross-examination.

Exhibits: P-1: "Admission" by Sir Derfel regarding notice of event (garage sale); P-2: Sir Derfel's "confession" board-post regarding Adrian events; P-3: Summary of "big-ticket" items; P-4: Letter from Attorney Ellis Carter; P-5: Memorandum from Attorney Ellis Carter; P-6: Original Imperial Crown report regarding problems and amnesty offer; P-7 and P-8: Pictures of the "castle;" P-9: Supporting documentation as to values of chattel goods, which was left at the prosecution desk for perusal; also, a picture of Sir Derfel with the "castle" was shown on Her Imperial Majesty's tablet.

Sir Derfel made his telephonic closing statement by speakerphone. Sir Thomas made his closing statement. Sir Robert made a further closing statement with the Chancellor adding further comment in defense.

The knights of the Court of Chivalry then left to deliberate. Her Imperial Majesty remained to hear the matter of Falconer's countercharges against Sir Thomas.

Dame Ashlynn was called. Dame Ashlynn asked to be permitted to negotiate privately over the phone with Sir Thomas (granted). The parties reached a conditional resolution.

Conditional resolution: Sir Thomas will post an on-board "mea culpa" about the way he handled things administratively and about not letting personal feelings get in the way. Dame Ashlynn will decide if the announcement will be acceptable on behalf of Falconer. Sir Thomas stated that he would attempt to draft the proposed statement within the week. Her Imperial Majesty ruled that the provisional resolution needs to be finalized within 30 days, or the matter would be reset for trial.

Her Imperial Majesty took the issue of the Crown's charges against Falconer under submission, indicating that her ruling would issue in no more than 30 days.

The recommendations of the Court of Chivalry were handed in writing to the Magistrate, who gave them to her Imperial Majesty, who decided to review them, with a final decision to issue subsequently.

The recommendations were as follows:

Conduct Unbecoming a Knight: 3 to 0 guilty Recommended sentence: Censure and apology; period of service to the Empire to make up for conduct unbecoming a knight; loss of "all belts" [this seems to imply "all accouterments of knighthood"] until such time as Sir Derfel have earned 12 (new) event participations in the service of the Empire (in ministry, [but implicitly, not through the holding of "any position;" see below]); loss of all [knightly] ranks and titles until the 12 event participations be earned.

Malfeasance of Office: 3 to 0 guilty Recommended additional sentence: Judicial ban (cannot serve in any position) until the 12 ministry/service event participations be earned; loss of highest title believed to be "Count Royal") permanently. [It was not explicitly indicated whether this would disqualify Sir Derfel as a candidate for the Imperial Throne, nor was it indicated whether "permanently" would mean that Sir Derfel could not re-earn the title through service as Royal Crown. To the Magistrate, the answer to both questions would seem to be an implied affirmative.] Later verification from the panel confirmed their intent was to disqualify Sir Derfel as a candidate for the Imperial Throne, but he could re-earn his title and thus re-earn the ability to run for the throne at some point in the future.

Crown Sentence.

In regard to Dame Wynn, case dismissed unconditionally and with prejudice In regard to His Imperial Highness Sir Thomas, case tabled for completion of conditional resolution with 30 day time requirement. If resolution is not completed then case will be rescheduled for trial.

In regard to Falconer, for: 1. Malfeasance (selling chattel goods of the Empire to themselves and others at a fraction of their actual fair market value) – guilty. 2. For conduct unbecoming a knight for attempting to justify and/or cover up the malfeasance and for refusing to fully rectify same – Guilty. The Falconer is already sentenced to Death from other infractions and thus this case actions be added to those for the purpose of historical archiving. Further, the Crown will put to the Imperial Estates if the Falconer is subject to Restitution. If they find such, he will be subject to making the Empire Whole for the items he took/sold below value and financial costs to the Empire.

In regard to Sir Derfel, for: 1. Malfeasance (selling chattel goods of the Empire to themselves and others at a fraction of their actual fair market value) – guilty. 2. For conduct unbecoming a knight for attempting to justify and/or cover up the malfeasance and for refusing to fully rectify same – Guilty. Sentence shall be as follows, Censure and apology; Temporary Loss of Knighthood, Rank, Title and Privileges, Limited Judicial Ban for holding positions, Service to the Empire, Possible Restitution and permanent stripping of County Royal title. Knighthood, Rank, Title and Privileges will be reinstated and Judicial Ban will be lifted upon Crown approved

apology designed for public presentation and completion on 12 Crown acceptable non position holding service participations. Further the Crown will put it to the Imperial Estates if Derfel is to make the Empire Whole for the items he took/sold below value.

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Trial Proceedings at University of Nevada Las Vegas 9/12/15

Sir Klaus v Sir Dorn & Dame Felicia

It was announced by HIM Wright that Sir Dorn had requested on behalf of himself and his wife Dame Felicia not to participate and that they not be contacted; that they no longer had an interest in participating in Adria, and that they would respond with mundane legal action if they were contacted.

Sir Thomas Weimar volunteered to represent Sir Dorn's and Dame Felicia's interests and requested a Royal Court on his behalf. Her Imperial Majesty presided. Sir Klaus prosecuted and was present by Skype. The charges were treason and disharmony.

He presented documents for Her Imperial Majesty's review electronically.

Sir Thomas and Sir Klaus reviewed the documents submitted by Sir Klaus and agreed as to the facts of the case. Although there was no dispute as to the facts, His Imperial Majesty was present and gave a brief informal clarifying offer of proof, which was ikewise undisputed (no formal testimony, and no oaths administered as there were no factual disputes). The matter was taken under submission by the Empress. Sir Thomas argued that perhaps the facts supported a charge of conduct unbecoming a knight, but not the other charges made. Sir Thomas also argued that some of the conduct complained of might lie outside Adria's jurisdiction due to Sir Dorn's lapse of membership at the time of some of that conduct. The Ruling of the Chancellor (Sir William Baine) and that of the Minister of Rolls (Dame Etaine), both of whom were present, was that membership expires after the 30-day grace period even if the membership be not renewed.

Her Imperial Majesty announced that She would give a ruling within 30 days.

Crown Ruling:

In regard to Sir Dorn, for: 1. the count of treason - guilty and for: 2. the count of disharmony - guilty. Being the evidence was so overwhelming, voluminous and this being a second trial where Dorn has been found guilty the crown hereby sentences Dorn to Death by multination and flame. For spreading untruths and verbally harming the Empire Dorn's tongue will be cut out and then he will be tied to post and be burned at the stake. As for his mundane membership he is banished from the Empire for a Year and a Day.

In regard to Dame Felicia, for: 1. the count of treason - guilty and for: 2. the count of disharmony - guilty. Being the evidence was so overwhelming and voluminous the Crown hereby sentences Dame Felica to loss of all ranks, titles and awards. Further she is subject to censure and apology. Finally, she is banished from the Empire for a year and a day. Her rank as knight may be reinstated one year and a day after presentation of a crown acceptable apology designed for public release.

# APPENDIX C. 2015-2016 BUDGET

	Proposed			
	Budget			
Canada Imperial Crown War	\$100.00			
NE Imperial Crown War	\$750.00			
NW Imperial Crown War	\$750.00			
SE Imperial Crown War	\$750.00			
SW Imperial Crown War				
Canada Banner War	\$100.00			
East Coast Banner War	\$0.00			
NE Banner War	\$750.00			
SE Banner War	\$750.00			
NW Banner War	\$750.00			
SW Banner War	\$750.00			
Imperial Coronation	\$1,000.00			
Imperial Coronation	\$1,000.00	\$100 Empire		
Fund Raising	\$2,800.00	challenge		
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Memberships	\$21,925.00	4500 150p	\$10,000.00	\$7 <i>,</i> 425.00
Life Time Memberships				
Special				
Total Proposed Income	\$31,175.00			
	\$31,175.00			
Annual Operating Expenses				
Costs	2010			
Costs	2016			
Canada Imperial Crown War	100			
NE Imperial Crown War	750			
NW Imperial Crown War	750			
SE Imperial Crown War	750			
SW Imperial Crown War	750			
Canada Banner War	100			
East Coast Combined Banner War	0			
NE Banner War	750			
SE Banner War	750			
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NW Banner War	750	
SW Banner War	750	
Imperial Coronation		
Fund Raising		
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Sub Total Costs	6,200.00	
Operating Expenses		
Imperial Travel	8000	
Corporate Travel	1000	
Estates Meetings	3000	
Administration	3000	
Expenses for Change Over	300	
Contingency Fund - unforeseen + legal	1000	
Legal	1200	
P.O. Box	160	
Storage Unit (Store Quest)	\$1,900.00	
Website	250	
Quickbooks	350	
Start Up / Small Chapters	300	
State Registrations (Corporate Fillings)	200	
Accounting CPA - IRS/Arizona	1000	
Insurance Directors & Officers	800	
Canadian Insurance	1400	
Insurance Liability	10200	
Document Imaging Project	100	
Sub Total Expenses	34160	
Total Costs and Operating Expenses	40,360.00	
Cash Basis Net Income Minus Costs and		
Expenses	-\$9,185.00	
Imperial Audit (Accrual Every year)	2500	
Accrual Basis Net Income	- \$11,685.00	
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