

Their Imperial Majesties versus Sir Alaric Thorne

Defendant: Sir Alaric Thorne of Pembroke

Plaintiff: Empress Lenore Greyphis & Emperor L'Bete deAcmd

Magistrate: Sir Hawthorn de Tallyrand-Perigord of York

Advocate for the Prosecution: Emperor L'Bete deAcmd of Constantinople

Advocate for the Defense: Dame Istalina of Pembroke

Charges filed: December 8th 2008

Merit found: December 11th 2008

Case resolved: May 15th, 2009

Charges: Treason & Violation of Estates Writ 17 & 27. Violation of the Manual of Rolls.

Verdict: Defendant admitted guilt to all charges.

Sentence: 9 Month full Judicial Ban, beginning June 1st, a letter of apology written to and approved by Emperor L'Bete deAcmd and Empress Lenore Greyphis. It is to be noted that the defendant must maintain his membership throughout the complete of his Judicial Ban.

Original Charge List:

Violation of Imperial Estates Writ 17(AKA Manual of Combat), 27, Crown Writ 'D5' Imperial Estates Minutes November 2008, and the Manual for the office of Rolls and Lists.

Treason against the Imperial Crown, purposely ignoring Imperial Crowns legitimate interest in safety concerns over Play test weapons (reason Writ enacted). Knowingly placing the Adrian Empire in jeopardy by using non approved items as well as letting nonmembers and nonauthorized persons use of such items. It is the legitimate interest of the Imperial Crown to protect the Adrian Empire.

Violation of Imperial Estates Writ 27, ("All Renaissance Faires involving more than one chartered subdivision of the Empire, regardless of where they are located, will be considered to be Imperial events and shall require Imperial sanction. Negotiations regarding them will be handled by the Imperial Crown or Their appointed autocrats.")

Updated Charge List:

Violation of Imperial Estates Writ 17(AKA Manual of Combat), 27, and the Manual for the Office of Rolls and Lists.

Treason against the Imperial Crown in knowingly placing the Adrian Empire in jeopardy letting nonmembers and non-authorized persons use of unauthorized weapons.

Violation of Imperial Estates Writ 27, ("All Renaissance Faires involving more than one chartered subdivision of the Empire, regardless of where they are located, will be considered to

be Imperial events and shall require Imperial sanction. Negotiations regarding them will be handled by the Imperial Crown or Their appointed autocrats.")

Synopsis:

This case results from events at the 2008 Camelot Days Faire in Hollywood Florida, on November 15th and 16th. The Faire was a joint event between the Kingdom of Castilles and the Duchy of Pembroke, with the Kingdom of Castilles holding their monthly event on the 15th, and the Duchy of Pembroke holding their monthly event on the 16th.

Connected to the joint encampment was a ballista booth. At the booth, patrons could pay a dollar to shoot a ballista bolt at a target. The patron was assisted by a member of Adria and the target the patrons were shooting at were members of Adria.

Issues arose from three facts;

- 1) No permission was requested by the Crowns of Castilles or Pembroke to host a joint faire, violating Estates Writ 27
- 2) Ballistas (as with all other play test weapons) were no longer approved per a Crown Writ that was announced at the November Imperial Estates meeting two weeks before this faire.
- 3) When letting patrons pay to use the ballistas, the patrons were not required to sign any sort of waiver/sign in sheet as is required by the rolls manuals. This fact could have potentially opened the Adrian Empire up to liability issues had an injury occurred due to the use of the ballistas.

In regards to issue two; it was found that there was reasonable doubt as to whether the defendant Sir Alaric Thorne was aware of the Crown Writ in regards to play testing weapons. As such part of the original charges were repealed (as noted in the Updated Charge List).

Mediation was offered to all the Crowns and Autocrats involved, as was accepted by all defendants (noted on the Judicial Report from the March 2009 IEM), save for Sir Alaric Thorne.

Actions by the defendant further exacerbated the issue, leading to additional charges filed against him. These charges, and the mediation agreed to by Sir Alaric, will be noted in the July 2009 Justicar's report.

April 2009, another final mediation was offered by the Imperial Crown, but was declined by the defendant.

March 15th, the day before the trial was to be held, after advisement from fellow Knights, the defendant pled guilty to all charges, and accepted the punishment set by the Imperial Crowns; a 9 months Judicial Ban and a letter of apology to be written for and approved by the Imperial Crowns.