



*Letter of
Registration & Return*

- April, May & June 2009 -

Unto all who read these letters writ, Greetings.

April and May has been a very busy month for me. During this quarter, I've had 50 Registered Arms, 0 Transferred Arms, 16 Returned Arms, 0 Released Arms, and 1 Held Over for Further Research. In addition, I have made 2 Ruling which will be included into the next version of the Heraldry Manual.

As a reminder, Local and Regional heraldic officers are only allowed to hold submissions for (a maximum of) 30 days from time of receipt. The ISoA can hold submissions for (a maximum of) 90 days.

More & more I'm seeing dates of receipt from Local heralds being sent to Regional in excess of three months; one submission being presented to Regional after two years. This is unacceptable!

Next, it is the obligation of EVERY Minister of Arms and EVERY Crown (acting [by default] as their Subdivision's Minister of Arms), to submit a Monthly Report. I expect the report by the end of each month. Please send the report to me, at BaronBish@gmail.com.

*****FINAL WARNING: Every Minister of Arms WHO DO NO REPORT (as described above) on a consistent basis will have their Imperial College of Arms ranking reduced. Kings/Queens of Arms will be reduced in rank to Herald of Arms, Herald of Arms will be reduced in rank to Pursuivant of Arms, and Pursuivant of Arms will be reduced in rank to Clerk of Arms. [A full report was detailed in my 'ISoA Letter to the Imperial Estates (March 2009)', which was also published in the March 2009 LoRR.] Deputies of the Minister of Arms will subsequently be reduced in rank.**

Monthly reports should be a summary of actions taken during the previous month. An example of a 'summary' should mimic the style of my report (below). If you have nothing to report, a simple report of "Nothing to report" is acceptable. Not sending reports when you have nothing to report is *not* acceptable.

I hope to hear from you all soon.

I pray that you all fare well.

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*Sovrano d'Armi Imperialé
Fleur-de-lys King of Arms*

Flaming Herald Extraordinary

~ Registered ~

Adria

Imperial Order of the Golden Spoon

BADGE (Adria)

[Fieldless] a spoon Or.

Albion

Allistar CuChlainn Halliday

DEVICE

Sable, two wolves statant respectant Argent, on a chevron inverted Or surmounted by five thistles Proper.

Allistar CuChlainn Halliday

BADGE

Or, a fleur-de-lis Vert.

Allistar CuChlainn Halliday

BADGE

[Fieldless] a fleur-de-lis Vert.

Alhambra

Fortriu, Canton of

DEVICE (Alhambra)

Or, three leaves Gules.

*NOTE: It is College of Arms policy to correctly blazon the emblazon. The submitter of this Device drew 'maple leaves.' Maple trees (and its leaves) are not period, circa 1700A.D., (which were then transported to Europe and Asia). In conversation with the submitter, I was informed, that although 'maple leaves' were drawn, 'generic' leaves were intended.

Militis Concordis

DEVICE - Estate (County)

Gules, a pale dovetailed Argent.

Cambridge

Boarshead

DEVICE - Estate (House)

Gules, a boar's head couped close Or tusked Argent, a tressure Or.

Church of Adria

Church of Adria

BADGE

Sable, a fleur-de-lis Argent.

Church of Adria

BADGE

Purpure, a fleur-de-lis Argent.

Church of Adria

BADGE

Azure, a fleur-de-lis Argent.

Cambridge, See of

DEVICE

Or, semi-de-lis Argent, two keys crossed in saltire Azure.

Cambridge, See of: Pastoral Presence Banner

DEVICE

Or, semi-de-lis Argent, two keys crossed in saltire Azure, in chief a fleur-de-lis Purpure.

Somerset, See of

DEVICE

Azure, a pallium Ermine between three fleur-de-lis Argent.

Cyprus

Order of the Spade – (Argent)

BADGE (Cyprus)

[Fieldless] a spade Argent.

Cyprus: Order of the Spade – (Sable)

BADGE (Cyprus)

[Fieldless] a spade Sable.

Angus Kilshannig

DEVICE

Purpure, a chaussé Argent.

Gloucester

Ceallaiigh inghean ui Ceallachain

DEVICE

Purpure, three annulets interlaced and a chief enarched Argent.

Ceallaiigh inghean ui Ceallachain

BADGE

Purpure, three annulets interlaced Argent.

Pembroke

Istalina de Angoumois

BADGE

Gules, on a lozenge Argent a fleur-de-lis Gules.

Julianna

DEVICE

Per bend sinister Argent and Gules, a sea-lion counterchanged, in chief three fleur-de-lis Gules.

Nikolos Talbot

DEVICE

Per pale per chevron Sable and Gules, five annulets interlaced in annulo Or within a serpent biting it's tail in annulo Argent.

Razgriz

DEVICE

Argent, on a pellet an eagle displayed double-headed Or, a bordure Sable

Razgriz

DEVICE

Argent, on a pellet an eagle displayed double-headed Or, a bordure Vert.

Somerset

Archery, Minister of

BADGE (Somerset)

Per chevron Argent and Gules, in base a bow armed and drawn Or.

Archery Champion

BADGE (Somerset)

Azure, a bow armed and drawn Or, a bordure Argent.

Arms, Minister of

BADGE (Somerset)

Per chevron Argent and Vert, in base a cross flory Or.

Arts and Sciences, Minister of

BADGE (Somerset)

Per chevron Argent and Purpure, in base a lamp Or.

Arts and Sciences Champion

BADGE (Somerset)

Azure, a lamp Or, a bordure Argent.

Blue Spoon Award

BADGE (Somerset)

[Fieldless] a spoon inverted Azure.

Chancellor

BADGE (Somerset)

Per chevron Gules and Argent, in base a set of scales Sable.

Chronicler

BADGE (Somerset)

Per chevron Vert and Argent, in base a quill pen fesswise Sable.

Combat Champion

BADGE (Somerset)

Azure, a sword and an axe crossed in saltire Or, a bordure Argent.

Court Herald

BADGE (Somerset)

*Per chevron Argent and Vert, in base a trumpet fesswise Or displaying a banner Argent.***Hospitaler**

BADGE (Somerset)

*Per chevron Purpure and Argent, in base a chest Sable.***Rolls, Minister of**

BADGE (Somerset)

*Per chevron Azure and Argent, in base a scroll Sable.***Steward**

BADGE (Somerset)

*Per chevron Argent and Azure, in base three bezants 1 and 2.***Arms, Minister of**

BADGE (Somerset)

*Per chevron Argent and Sable, in base two hand axes crossed in saltire Or.***Agathe Cromer**

BADGE

*[Fieldless] a unicorn's head coupé Argent.***Arthur o'Tyne**

BADGE

*Gules, a skull de mortis Or.***Drew Manoah Imran**

BADGE

*[Fieldless] a phoenix issuant from flames Sable.***Giovanni Spirona**

BADGE

*[Fieldless] a Toulouse cross Azure surmounted by a sheaf of three arrows Argent.***Maniya Ronas**

BADGE

[Fieldless] a hand Purpure.

*NOTE: With the charge of a 'hand', the default hand is the dexter hand; the default posture is apaumé and coupé. This Badge depicts all three aspects.

Sebastian Javier de la Cruz

BADGE

[Fieldless] a Toulouse cross Gules surmounted by two staffs in saltire each topped by a fleur-de-lis Argent.

Sorcha Kyrkeby

BADGE

[Fieldless] an ermine spot Sable.

Wilhelmus Blazce

BADGE

[Fieldless] a bear rampant Or.

Ysabel de Lisieux

BADGE

[Fieldless] a crequier Azure.

Ysabel de Lisieux

BADGE

[Fieldless] a crequier Or.

Terre Neuve

Colbhach Faolan OhAinnan

DEVICE

Quarterly Gules and Or, on a bend Sable three crosses formy Argent.

Gemma Evanelista Borgia

DEVICE

Purple, between a stag salient and an arrow bendwise inverted Argent a bend Sable fimbriated Argent.

Hamish

DEVICE

Sable, a bear rampant contourné Argent armed, langued and embrued Gules, a bordure compony Gules and Argent.

~ Reconsidered on Appeal ~

• NONE •

~ *Reblazoned* ~

• NONE •

~ *Transferred* ~

• NONE •

~ *Returned* ~

Albion

Allistar CuChlainn Halliday

DEVICE

(Adjusted Blazon): Or, a semi of thistles slipped and leaved Proper, on an inescutcheon Azure a wolf statant Argent.

*NOTE: This is clearly a Marshaled device and as such is in violation of the Heraldry Manual (2008), §XI.C.1: [C]: Inescutcheons of pretense are considered to be a form of marshalling and as such are restricted. [1]: For this restriction to apply, the inescutcheon must be in the shape of an escutcheon.

Alhambra

Menagerie, The

DEVICE – Estate (House)

(Adjusted Blazon): Per chevron inverted Vert and Sable a Griffin segreant and three eggs Or.

*NOTES:

(1) Returned by Griffin Queen of Arms (Deputy ISoA – West); REASON: Eggs are not a period charge.

(2) Violates Heraldry Manual (2008) §XI.D; [see: “Rules & Rulings — I” (at the end of this LoRR).]

Chesapeake

Aryanna Vadim

DEVICE

Argent, a chevron Vert.

*NOTE: Returned by Phoenix & Dragon King of Arms (Deputy ISoA – East);
REASON: Conflicts with ‘Guinevrre Monroe de San Filippo - (Brandenburg)’

Aryanna Vadim

DEVICE

Vert, a saltire Argent.

*NOTE: Returned by Phoenix & Dragon King of Arms (Deputy ISoA – East);
REASON: Conflicts with ‘Alhambra Minister of Archery’ and ‘Alhambra Archers of Carleon.’

Sade Vadim

DEVICE

Argent, a chevron and a chevron inverted Vert.

(Possible Blazon): Argent, a mascle fesswise throughout Vert.

*NOTE: Returned by Phoenix & Dragon King of Arms (Deputy ISoA – East);
REASON: Improper display of chevrons.

Gloucester

Brammer Glen

DEVICE – Estate (Barony)

Vert, a chief dancetty, in base two bars wavy Argent

*NOTE: Returned by Griffin Queen of Arms (Deputy ISoA – West); REASON: 1
PoD (Point of Difference) from Ekateringorod.

Pembroke

Calais

DEVICE – Estate (County)

Sable, on a fess coisted Argent between in pale two fleur-de-lis Or a fleur-de-lis Sable.

*NOTE: Returned by Phoenix & Dragon King of Arms (Deputy ISoA – East);
REASON: Violation of the Heraldry Manual (2008), §VIII.B.1: [VIII] “Restricted Titles and Charges”, [B] “The Fleur-de-lis”, [1] “Gold (Or)”.

Helen de la Cruz

DEVICE

Gules, a cross bottony Or, in chief Sable three stags tripart Argent.

*NOTE: Returned by Phoenix & Dragon King of Arms (Deputy ISoA – East);

REASON: Submitted on an outdated submission form. The current form can be found in the “Library => Forms” section of the AdrianEmpire.org website [<http://www.adrianempire.org/library-forms.php>].

Mycenae

DEVICE – Estate (House)

Gules, an eagle displayed double-headed Or within a serpent biting it's tail in annulo Argent.

*NOTES:

(1) Violation of Ruling made in the ‘2008-08_09_10_11 LoRR’: “A dragon (or other beasts), (other than a serpent or snake or the like) in the position ‘in annulo’ cannot be registered in Adria.

(2) This ‘serpent’ depicted in the emblazon of the Device submitted does not appropriately show a ‘serpent’ but a ‘dragon-headed snake’, which is not the same as a ‘serpent’. My heraldic research shows emblazons of a ‘snake’ and a ‘serpent’ to be virtually interchangeable.

(3) It is my ruling that the emblazon provided shows (a form of) a ‘dragon’. If this Device was resubmitted with the appropriate head of a ‘snake’ or a ‘serpent’, then the submission will be reconsidered without prejudice.

Ozzy

DEVICE

(Local Blazon) Argent, a ladybug Proper, a bordure Gules.

*NOTES:

(1) Returned by Phoenix & Dragon King of Arms (Deputy ISoA – East);
REASON: A ‘ladybug’ is not a period charge.

(2) My suggestion is to re-submit as a ‘beetle’ tergiant (an overhead view of the beast [as it crawls along]) or a ‘scarab.’

Wilhemina von Neubeirk

DEVICE

Vert, a bend Sable between a fox sejant and a fox sejant contourne Argent

*NOTE: Returned by Phoenix & Dragon King of Arms (Deputy ISoA – East);

REASON: Violation of the Heraldry Manual (2008), §IV.A: “Colour on Colour.”

Wolf

DEVICE

Sable, a base Purpure, a wolf sejant head erect and in chief two mullets of 8 Or.

*NOTE: Returned by Phoenix & Dragon King of Arms (Deputy ISoA – East);

REASON: Violation of the Heraldry Manual (2008), §IV.A: “Colour on Colour.”

Wolf

BADGE

Sable, a wolf’s head caboshed Or, a bordure Purpure.

*NOTE: Returned by Phoenix & Dragon King of Arms (Deputy ISoA – East);

REASON: Violation of the Heraldry Manual (2008), §IV.A: “Colour on Colour.”

Zachariah of the Red Band

DEVICE

Azure, on a fess Gules three mullets of 6 Argent.

*NOTE: Returned by Phoenix & Dragon King of Arms (Deputy ISoA – East);

REASON: Submitted on multiple versions of submission forms. The current form can be found in the “Library => Forms” section of the AdrianEmpire.org website [<http://www.adriaempire.org/library-forms.php>].

Somerset

Haldora Egilsdotter

DEVICE

Sable, on a fess coisted Argent between in pale two fleur-de-lis Or a fleur-de-lis Sable.

*NOTE: Returned by Phoenix & Dragon King of Arms (Deputy ISoA – East);

REASON: Violation of the Heraldry Manual (2008), §IV.C.2: [C] “Fieldless Armoury,” [2] “Fieldless armory must form itself a unified whole; all elements in the design must be conjoined.”

Terre Neuve

Valric

DEVICE

(Adjusted Blazon) Pily of 9 abased Argent and Sable, in chief a dog’s collar spiked Azure.

*NOTE: A ‘dog’s collar’ (spiked or otherwise) is not a period charge. Additionally, a plain ‘collar’ is not used as a separate (individual) charge, except when mentioned as ‘collared’, ‘gorged’ or ‘gorged and chained’.

~ *Reconsidered on Appeal* ~

• NONE •

~ *Released* ~

• NONE •

~ *Held-Over* ~

Cyprus

Order of the Spade – (Or)

BADGE (Cyprus)

[Fieldless] a spade Or.

*NOTE: While compiling this report (at the Northeast Imperial Banner War 2009), Her Imperial Majesty (who was in attendance) informed me of the existence of the Badge of the ‘Imperial Order of the Golden Spoon,’ which this Badge would be in conflict with. I searched the College of Arms Registry of Arms database and did not see the Badge of the Imperial Order of the Golden Spoon listed.

I am holding this submission over, to research if the Badge of this Order is in conflict with the original intended (but not registered in a LoRR, but listed in the Imperial Ordinary [2007]) Badge.

~ *Rules & Rulings* ~

I.
TOPIC: “Restrictions on Marshalling [Supplemental]: “Per Chevron” and “Per Chevron Inverted”

Currently, this section reads:

*“Heraldry Manual (2008) — §XI.D: RESTRICTIONS ON MARSHALLING
Research has shown that Marshalling appeared in more than just the familiar forms*

of Per Pale and Quarterly. This includes the hitherto-unrestricted Per Fess and Per Saltire divisions. These divisions have been abused in Adrian armory to allow designers to combine disparate elements on one shield against the spirit of the Marshalling proscription. In keeping with our overall push to encourage Period design, the following is now disallowed:

Any design wherein the field is divided Per Pale, Per Fess, Per Bend, Per Bend Sinister, Quarterly, Per Saltire, Per Pall, and Per Pall Inverted wherein the charges on either side of the line of division are of different types.”

There were two field divisions that were accidentally excluded: “Per Chevron” and “Per Chevron Inverted” which I here now include to this section of the Heraldry Manual (2008):

“Any design wherein the field is divided Per Pale, Per Fess, Per Bend, Per Bend Sinister, Quarterly, Per Saltire, Per Pall, Per Pall Inverted, Per Chevron, and Per Chevron Inverted wherein the charges on either side of the line of division are of different types.”

II.

TOPIC: “Single Tincture as Arms”

It has been ruled by past ISoA’s that the registering a single tincture (i.e., metal, colour, fur) as the complete Device or Badge, without any sort of field division or charge is unacceptable. A ‘single tincture’ as a complete blazon would create too many problems against simple Arms registration(s).

I concur with the previous ruling; ‘Single Tincture’ Arms are not registrable.

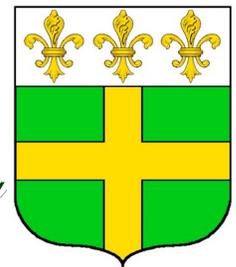
Thank you for your time and attention.

I pray that you fare well.



✠ *Baroné Francesco Gaetano Gréco d'Edessa*

*Sovrano d'Armi Imperialé
Fleur-de-lys King of Arms*



Rifinito.