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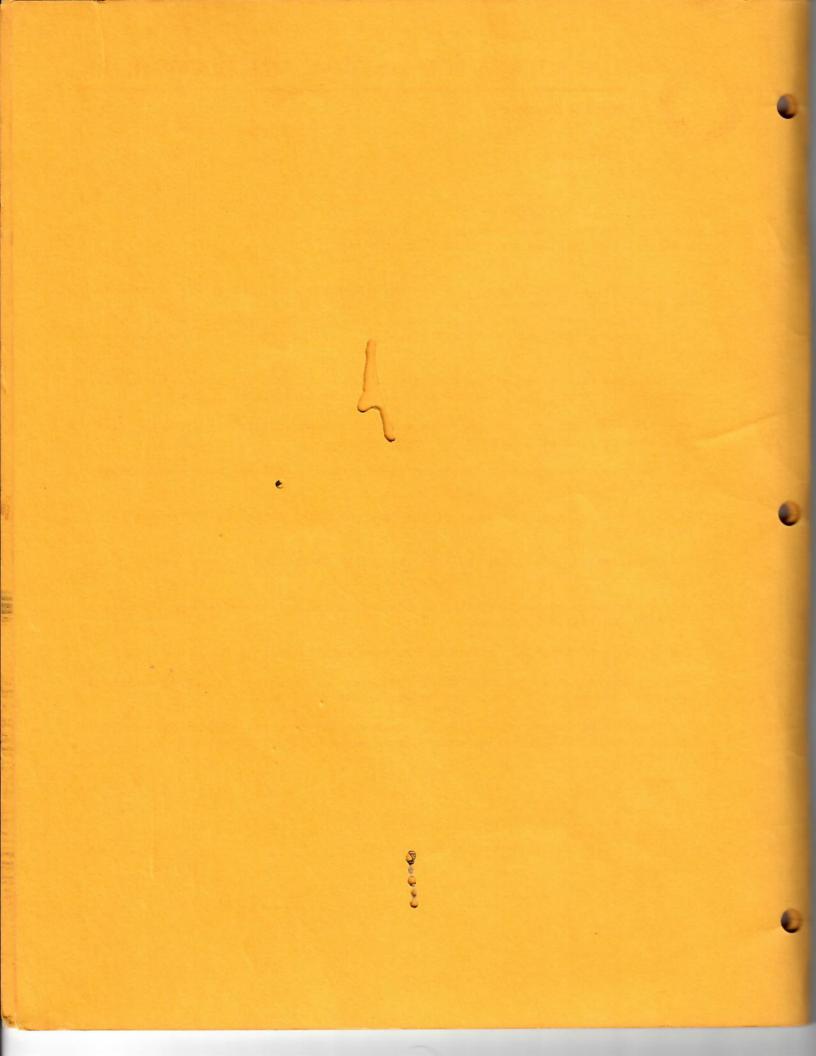
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Board of Directors

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The Board of Directors sends greetings to the members of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated:

This is the Second Edition of the Revised Corpora and By-Laws of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated, and the Governing and Policy Decisions of the Board of Directors. It contains all changes to and supercedes completely the Revised Corpora and By-Laws published in August XIV, 1979. The significant changes and additions are:

The section on types of membership has en moved from Corpora I.A to By-Laws (Article II) due to legal requirements for orporate By-Laws;

The Corpora Sections on Sanction and Medieval Dress/Behavior (II.E and II.F) have been reinstated;

The Society Chirurgeon General and Kingdom Medics' Offices have been formally established;

Royal Peerages and the Order of the Rose may receive Patents at the option of the Kingdom;

The restrictions on what offices reigning Crowns and Coronets may hold are relaxed:

The prohibition against reigning Crowns and Coronets from succeeding themselves has been written into Corpora;

The category of Lifetime Membership has been established;

Policy decisions 21-28, including policies on Co-Extant Branches, Magic and Religion, and Rapier Fencing, are added to this edition.

The Board of Directors would like to thank all officers and members who reviewed the Revised Corpora, discovered omissions, and suggested changes to the Board for this revision.

The Board of Directors
The Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated

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I. MEMBERSHIP

The Categories of Membership, and their rights, duties and privileges, are defined in the By-Laws of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated.

II. MEETINGS OF THE MEMBERSHIP

- A. Official meetings of the Society are tournaments, revels, re-creations, or other events of an individual branch or group of branches, the date, time and place of which have been published in advance in the appropriate newsletter(s). Guild and study meetings, educational activities, and so forth, may constitute official meetings if the requirements for publication and attendance are met.
- B. An official event must have one or more duly warran d officers present and responsible for the conduct of the event, as suitable to the nature of the e
- C. Official business of the Society, such as Cr and Coronet Lists, Coronations and Investitures, awarding of Offices, Orders and Titles, and Poclamation of Kingdom or Principality Law, may occur only at official events of the Society, except for the regular appointment or replacement of officers below the Kingdom or Principality level.
- D. Any event which has not been announced according to the provisions specified above shall be considered an unofficial event and any results of that event which require official status shall not be recognised.
- E. Anyone may attend events of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated, provided he or she is willing to wear pre-17th century dress of any period or culture, sign any waivers which may be required for such attendance, conform to the provisions of the By-Laws, Corpora, and Rules of the Lists of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated, and behave as a lady or gentleman. No one shall be admitted to Society events who is not in pre-17th century dress, or who has not made some attempt at pre-17th century dress, the acceptability of such attempt to be judged ultimately by the Crown.
- F. The ruling noble(s), if any, and the responsible officers at official Society events shall ensure compliance with the provisions of the By-Laws, Corpora, and Rules of the Lists of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated. If transgressions take place which the ruling noble(s) or officers in charge can not or will not correct, the Kingdom Seneschal or Seneschal in charge, or (in cases of the Rules of the Lists) the Earl Marshal or Marshal in charge, is empowered to declare the event over, removing official sanction as an official event of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated. Any such occurance must be reported immediately and in writing, with full particulars, to the appropriate Corporate Officer and the Board of Directors.

III. THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- A. The Board of Directors of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated, is established and defined in the By-Laws of the Corporation.
- B. The Board of Directors is responsible for the mundane, 20th century affairs of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated.
- C. The Board of Directors expressly reserves unto itself the sole right, duty and responsibility to establish the content of the By-Laws and Corpora of the Society; to make such contents known to the membership through publication; and to enforce the provisions thereof.
- D. The Board of Directors reserves unto itself the right, duty and responsibility to make such Governing and Policy Decisions as it deems necessary for the continuance of the affairs of the Society but which do not in the Board's opinion require amendment of the By-Laws or Corpora; to make such decisions known to the membership through publication; and to enforce the provisions thereof.
- E. The Board of Directors is the Society, defined as the By-Laws, Corpora, Mnd Governing and Policy Decisions of the Board of Directors. All members of the Society state the Board of Directors, so long as due posses has been followed or attempted.
- F. Decisions of the Board of Director are effective immediately, but shall not be considered binding upon any member or group of members butil made available to the membership via direct mailing, publication in the appropriate official publications, or other methods the Board shall establish to ensure the notification of the membership.
- G. The Board of Directors shall have the right to delegate its authority and responsibility formally, through the establishment of Corporate Offices.
- H. The Board of Directors shall ensure that each Kingdom shall have assigned to it a specific Board member to act as a representative of that Kingdom to the Board, for matters concerning that Kingdom.
- I. The Board of Directors shall have the right to solicit the opinions of the membership upon decisions of the Board, including changes to Corporate Law. Such solicitation shall be required only where so provided in the By-Laws of the Society.
- J. The Board of Directors explicitly reserves unto itself the discipline of members for actions taken while serving as King or Queen.
- K. The Board of Directors explicitly reserves unto itself the authority to degrade a member from the peerage; to revoke an Award, Grant or Patent of Arms once granted to a member; and to revoke membership in the Society.
- L. The Board of Directors explicitly reserves unto itself the right to set and revise all geographical boundaries between branches of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated.

IV. CORPORATE OFFICERS AND OFFICES

- A. CORPORATE OFFICERS. The Corporate Officers of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated, are the Steward, the Laurel Sovereign of Arms, the Marshal of the Society, the Master or Mistress of Arts, the Master or Mistress of Sciences, the Chronicler of the Society, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, and the Society Chirurgeon General. The officers associated with the Board of Directors in its role of interfacing with the mundane world as provided by the By-Laws (President, Secretary, etc.) are not considered "Corporate Officers" for the purposes of the Corpora.
- 1. The Corporate Officers are the heads of the Society-wide organization and thus the superiors of the Kingdom Great Officers and Great Offices of State.
- 2. General Duties and Responsibilities. The Corporate Officers shall receive regular reports from their Kingdom counterparts; coordinate appointments to the Great Offices of State of the Kingdoms subordinate to their respective offices, in operation with the Crowns of the Kingdoms; and carry out the duties and responsibilities of the Correct offices which they head. To this end they are authorized to appoint and warrant deputi within their offices as necessary for the conduct of their offices.

3. General Requirements.

- a. All Corporate Officers and their warranted deputies shall be sustaining, contributing, or patron members of the Society at the time of their appointment, and shall maintain such membership for the duration of their appointment.
- b. The holder of a Corporate Office shall hold no other Corporate Office or Great Office of State.
- c. All Corporate Officers are required to report to the Board of Directors on a regular basis (either directly or through the Steward) as to the advancement and activities of the Kingdoms in the areas of their concern, and should communicate the same to their subordinates.

4. Appointment and Removal.

- a. Appointment. All Corporate Officers shall be appointed by the unanimous consent of the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall take into account the recommendations of predecessors in the office and other Corporate Officers. All appointments shall be for specific terms of service, renewable at the option of the Corporate Officer and the Board of Directors.
- b. Removal. Any Corporate Officer or deputy may be removed by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors at any time.
- 5. Warranting. Corporate Officers are warranted by the Board of Directors, three (3) of whom must sign the warrant form. Deputy Corporate Officers are warranted by the Corporate Officer and ratified by the Board of Directors.
- B. THE STEWARD. The Steward is the principal executive officer of the Society, and is the head of the Seneschallates of the Kingdoms of the Society. The Steward holds the primary responsibility for the continuing regular and procedural business of the Society via the Kingdom Seneschallates and such deputies as the Steward may appoint.
- 1. Each year the Steward shall, from the year y Domesday Reports of the Corporate Officers and Kingdom Great Officers, and in consultation with the Board of Directors, prepare a Report to the Populace of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated, upon the activities of the Society during the previous year. This report shall be printed in the following Summer issue of Tournaments Illuminated.

- C. THE LAUREL SOVEREIGN OF ARMS AND THE COLLEGE OF ARMS.
- l. <u>Purpose</u>. The Society encourages members to develop a unique historically valid persona, including a name and, if appropriate, an armorial device. To register and authenticate such names and devices, a College of Arms exists within the Society, performing these and other tasks as noted below.
- 2. Organization. The College of Arms shall consist of the Laurel Sovereign of Arms of the Society; of a Principal Herald in each Kingdom, whose title and style shall be established by each Kingdom and approved by the Laurel Sovereign of Arms; and such subordinates as are required for the proper functioning of the College. The heraldic officers within a particular Kingdom shall comprise the College of Heralds of that Kingdom, and the Kingdom Principal Herald shall ensure that every group within the Kingdom as described in Article V shall have available the services of an heraldic officer, either a member of that group or of a larger group to which the former is responsible.
- 3. <u>Duties</u>. The College of Arms is tesponsible for registering and authenticating names and armorial devices for all Society members with wish to use these in their Society activities; for registering and authenticating the names of insociety branches of all descriptions; for validating the historical equivalence and accuracy of nor osilish titles of office, personal titles, and titles of groups as provided for in Articles V, VI, and VII; and for regulating augmentations of Society arms, devices and badges.
- a. Names may be registered with or without a device.
- b. The College of Arms is entitled and required to establish and make known rules to ensure the uniqueness and historical validity of the names and devices used by members and groups, and the historical validity of titles of office. These rules shall include regulations protecting the right of each member to the name and devices which he or she has registered for use within the Society.
- c. The College of Arms is entitled and required to establish a body of standard terminology, usage, and rulings for the Society and the Kingdom Colleges of Heralds.
- d. The College of Arms has the right to call for documentation in the case of names, devices, or titles which are obscure or questionable, and to determine disputed issues of fact or regulation concerning the matters under its jurisdiction.
- e. The College of Arms has the right to establish a fee for its services in registering names or devices sufficient to cover the cost of such services, said fees to be distributed between the College of Arms and the appropriate Kingdom College.
- f. The College of Arms has the right to refuse to register names, badges, devices, arms or augmentations for just and stated cause. Any such refusal may ultimately be appealed to the Board of Directors.
- g. The College of Arms is not required to register or to defend names or devices of persons who are not members of the Society.
- 4. Approval. In matters of research, the Society recognizes that new discoveries may disprove the most careful and diligent scholarly work; that the discovery of new knowledge is not to be predicted; and that it is for the good of the Society that honest effort should be allowed to reach a determination. Therefore, approval of a name, title, or device by the College of Arms according to its established procedures shall be permanent and constitute a full defense against any later question as to uniqueness or validity, any changes made as a result of such later questions being entirely by the permission and grace of the holder of such name, title, or device.

- THE MARSHAL OF THE SOCIETY. The Marshal of the Society shall be responsible for the conduct of combat under the Rules of the Lists (Appendix A) within all branches of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated.
- The Marshal has jurisdiction over matters concerning the Marshalling of Society events and the manner and conduct of duties of Earls and Knights Marshal throughout the Society.
 - The Marshal shall be responsible for promoting safety in the martial arts of the Society.
- 3. The Marshal shall work with the Master or Mistress of Sciences and the College of Sciences to encourage research in armor and weapons.
 - The Marshal shall maintain communications with the Earl Marshal of each Kingdom.
- THE MASTER OR MISTRESS OF ARTS. The Master or Mistress of Arts is responsible for fostering the development of the historically accurate arts practimed in the Kingdoms, and shall coordinate the efforts of the Kingdom Masters and Mistresses of Arts. The Master or Mistress of Arts is empowered to undertake such publication or other projectas may further these aims and to petition the Board of Directors for financial or other support i required.
- THE MASTER OR MISTRESS OF SCIENCES. The Mas ar or Mistress of Sciences is responsible for fostering the development of the historically accurate sciences in the various Kingdoms, and shall coordinate the activities of the Masters and Mistresses of Science of the Kingdoms. The Master or Mistress of Sciences is empowered to undertake such publication or other projects as may further these aims, and to petition the Board of Directors for financial or other support if required.
- G. THE CHRONICLER OF THE SOCIETY. The Chronicler is responsible for the Society publication, Tournaments Illuminated, and shall be the editor or oversee the editor thereof. The Chronicler is responsible for the Kingdom publications through the Kingdom Chroniclers, who report to the Chronicler of the Society.
- THE CHANCELLOR OF THE EXCHEQUER. The Chancellor of the Exchequer is responsible for the financial affairs of the Society, as detailed in the By-Laws, and for aiding and controlling the activities of the Kingdom Chancellors of the Exchequer. The Chancellor of the Exchequer is also responsible for overseeing the Registry and Mailing List functions of the Society for the official publications of the Society.
- THE SOCIETY CHIRURGEON GENERAL. The Society Chirurgeon General is responsible for the establishment of standards and procedures for first aid at all Society events including but not limited to Tournament Combat; procedures for notifying attendees of health and safety concerns at Society events; establishing policies and procedures for the Kingom Medic Officers; and is the head of the Kingdom Offices of Medics of the Kingdoms of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated.

V. BRANCHES

- A. DEFINITIONS, REQUIREMENTS, AND RESPONSIBILITIES. Branches of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated are Kingdoms, Principalities, Baronies or Provinces, and Subsidiary Branches. All established branches of the Society shall have names registered with the College of Arms. All branches above the level of subsidiary branches shall have arms registered with the College of Arms.
- l. <u>Kingdoms</u>. A Kingdom is a sovereign entity within the Society which has the right to elect a ruling King and Queen by combat. A branch or geographically contiguous group of branches which together meet the requirements listed below may petition the Board of Directors for advancement to Kingdom status.

a. Requirements.

- i. At least 200 sustaining, con ributing or patron members.
- ii. A full and well-develope is staff of officers capable of handling all aspects of Society activity.
- iii. A past record of well-activided events together with regular study and guilactivities, demonstrations. and other edecational activities for the benefit of the community at large.
- iv. Sufficient members of the Orders conferring Patents of Arms to advise the Crown upon the admission of candidat's to these orders.
- v. Sufficient fighters of such caliber as to invest the competition for the Crown with the dignity and value it merits.
- vi. A body of Kingdom Law which provides for the maintenance and succession of the Crown; for the definition and advancement of subsidiary branches; for the conduct of such courts as may be required for the maintenance of the Realm; and for such other matters as found necessary.
 - vii. A well-defined territory of geographical jurisdiction.
- viii. Support of a majority of the members of the proposed Kingdom for the advancement in status.

b. Responsibilities.

- i. The Kingdom Officers and the Crown are responsible for the administration of the lands and branches which comprise the Kingdom.
- ii. The Kingdom is directly responsible for the administration of any subordinate branch not a part of a subsidiary Principality.
- iii. The Kingdom shall ensure that Kingdom law is kept current, and that all changes thereto are proclaimed at official Society events, and are published in the official Kingdom publication. No provision of Kingdom law shall be in effect, nor shall the subjects of a Kingdom be responsible for such provision, until such proclamation and publication has taken place.
- iv. Kingdom Great Officers shall rhport routinely to their Corporate superiors on the Kingdom's development and activities, and these of its component branches.
- v. Kingdoms must also meet and continue to meet all the requirements for smaller branches listed below.

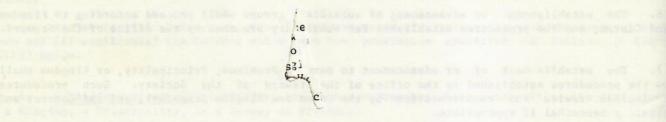
- 2. Principalities. A Principality is a branch within a Kingdom which has the right to elect a reigning Prince and Princess by combat. A branch or geographically contiguous group of branches within a Kingdom which together meet the requirements listed below may petition the Board of Directors for advancement to Principality status.
 - a. Requirements.
 - i. At least 50 sustaining, contributing or patron members.
 - ii. A full and well-developed staff of officers.
 - iii. A record of activity in all the Society fields of activity on the part of the petitioning branch(es).
 - iv. Sufficient fighters of such caliber as to provide adequate competition for the Coronet.
 - v. Sufficient members of the Orders confer ing Patents of Arms to advise the Crown and the Coronet upon the admission of candidates to the Orders.
 - vi. A well-defined territory of geographica sisdiction.
 - vii. Support of a majority of the members of the Society within the proposed Principality for the advancement in status.
 - b. Responsibilities.
 - i. The Principality officers are responsible to their Kingdom superiors as well as to the Coronet and the Crown.
 - ii. The Principality officers shall report regularly to their Kingdom superiors upon the Principality's development and activities and those of its component branches.
 - iii. The Principality is directly responsible for the administration of any subordinate branch not part of a subsidiary Province or Barony.
 - iv. The Principality must also meet and continue to meet the requirements and responsibilities for smaller branches listed below.
- 3. Baronies and Provinces. A Territorial Barony or a Province is a branch within a Kingdom or Principality. A branch or group of geographically contiguous branches which together meet the requirements listed below may petition the Board of Directors for advancement to Baronial or Provincial status.
 - a. Requirements.
 - At least 15 sustaining, contributing or patron members.
 - ii. A full set of officers.
 - iii. A record of activity in the fields of Society activity on the part of the petitioning branch(es).
 - iv. If the branch is to be a Territor al Barony, arrangements shall have been made with the Crown at the time of application for Baro ial status to select and appoint a Baron and/or Baroness in accordance with the Corpora and the Laws and Customs of the Kingdom.
 - v. Support of a majority of the members of the Society within the proposed Barony or Province for the advancement in status, and for the chosen type of branch (Barony or Province).

b. Responsibilities.

- i. The officers of a Territorial Barony or Province are responsible to their Principality superiors and to the Coronet if the branch is part of a Principality, as well as to their Kingdom superiors and to the Crown.
- ii. The officers shall report regularly to their Principality superiors (if the branch is part of a Principality) or their Kingdom superiors upon the branch's development and activities and those of its subsidiary branches, if any.
- iii. The officers shall also assist and oversee the officers of any subsidiary branches within their jurisdiction.
- c. A branch advancing from the status of subsidiary branch may elect to become a Territorial Barony or a Province at its option, subject to the approval of the Crown and (if applicable) the Coronet.
- d. A Territorial Barony or Provi $^{t\epsilon}$:e may adopt an alternate title with the approval of the Crown and (if applicable) the Coronet subjective to the provisions specified in Section D (BRANCH TITLES) below.
- 4. <u>Subsidiary Branches</u>. Subsidiary bra ches are branches which exist within the jurisdiction of a Kingdom, a Principality, or a Barony or Province.
- a. The minimum requirement to establish a subsidiary branch of the Society is at least 5 sustaining, contributing, or patron members. Additional requirements for the establishment and/or advancement of subsidiary branches may be defined by the Laws and Customs of the various Kingdoms.
- b. No action by the Board of Directors is required to establish or advance a subsidiary branch until such a branch or group of branches wishes to petition for Baronial or Provincial status.
- c. The Steward of the Society shall be routinely notified by the Kingdom Seneschal of the status of subsidiary branches within the Kingdom as provided for in the procedures of the Steward's office and the Seneschallate.
- d. Officers of subsidiary branches may be duly warranted deputies of Kingdom, Principality, or Barony or Provincial officers, or may be warranted in their own right as officers of the subsidiary branch, according to the Laws and Customs of the Kingdom.
- e. Subsidiary branches may hold official Society events only if warranted officer(s) are present and responsible as provided for in Article VI.
- f. Subsidiary branches may adopt titles such as Canton, Shire, and so forth, as provided for by the Laws and Customs of the Kingdom with the approval of their parent branches, and according to the provisions specified in Section D (BRANCH TITLES) below.
- B. ESTABLISHMENT AND ADVANCEMENT OF BRANCHES. The following general procedures shall be followed for the initial establishment, and for the subsequent advancement, of branches within the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated. The Steward's Office shall be responsible for implementing and tailoring these procedures as necessary with the Seneschallates of the Kingdoms.
- 1. A petition shall be prepared by the populace of the prospective branch requesting the establishment or advancement of the proposed branch, and setting forth the manner in which the requirements for said establishment or advancement have been met. If the petition is for advancement to Kingdom status, the proposed Kingdom Laws as required in Article V, Section A.l.a.vi shall accompany the petition.

- 2. A name shall have been selected for the proposed branch (if one does not exist) which is acceptable to a majority of the members of the branch and to its governing branches and submitted to the College of Arms for approval.
- 3. If the proposed branch is a Barony, Province, Principality, or Kingdom, Arms for the branch shall have been devised which are acceptable to the members of the branch and to its governing branches and submitted to the College of Arms for approval.
- 4. The petition shall be sent to the Seneschal of the branch having jurisdiction over the proposed branch or to the appropriate Seneschal as defined by the Laws and Customs of the Kingdom. If no branch of the Society has jurisdiction over the proposed branch, the petition shall be sent to the Steward of the Society.
- 5. The Seneschallate shall determine the appropriateness of the petition in accordance with the Corpora and By-Laws of the Society, and the Laws and Customs of the Kingdom having jurisdiction.
- 6. The establishment or advancement of subsidial groups shall proceed according to Kingdom Law and Custom, and the procedures established for subsidiary branches by the office of the Steward.
- 7. The establishment of or advancement to Bar Province, Principality, or Kingdom shall follow the procedures established by the office of the Steward of the Society. Such procedures shall include review and recommendation by the Cr wn and Kingdom Seneschal, and the Coronet and Principality Seneschal if appropriate.
- a. If approval of the petition is recommended the Steward shall bring the matter before the Board of Directors of the Society. Approval of any branch is conditional upon the branch's fulfilling the requirements set forth in Article V, Section A.
- b. If denial of the petition is recommended at any point, copies of the petition shall be sent to the person(s) orginating the petition and to the Steward, together with the accumulated recommendations, comments, and reasons for the denial. The person(s) originating the petition may then appeal to the Steward if desired, or to the Board of Directors.
- C. RESERVATIONS BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. The Board of Directors of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated, specifically reserves the following rights with respect to the establishment, advancement and maintenance of all branches of the Society.
- 1. The Board of Directors may deny official status to any group, regardless of other criteria met, for just and stated cause.
- 2. Should any branch fail to meet or fail to continue to meet the requirements set forth for such branch in Article V, Section A, the Board of Directors may at its option and discretion, for just and stated cause, change the status of the branch to reflect its current qualifications, or declare the branch extinct altogether, thereby cancelling all warrants of office for that branch and revoking its existence.
- D. BRANCH TITLES. The titles given above (Kingdom, Principality, Barony, Province) and those given as examples for subsidiary branches (Canton, Shire) are considered standard throughout the Society and their use for the appropriate groups needs no special justification. As an educational association, the Society recognizes that equivalent terms exist in many cultures. Such variant titles may be used in place of the standard titles for Baronies, Provinces, and subsidiary branches with the following restrictions.
- 1. The particular variant title must be the correct equivalent of the standard or example title as appropriate for the branch, and should normally be selected because it reflects a culture nearer to the character of the branch.

- a. The branch is responsible for submitting the variant title to the College of Arms for validation, preferably at the time of submitting its name.
- b. The College of Arms may reject a proposed branch name without prejudice to a proposed variant title and vice versa.
- c. Validation by the College of Arms makes a variant title available for use by other Society groups of the same type, subject to the other provisions specified in this Section for the use variant titles.
- 2. The variant title must be requested by petition of a majority of the membership of the grown requesting such title, addressed through the Crown of the Kingdom to the Board of Directors, ammust be approved by the Crown.



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VI. BRANCH OFFICES, OFFICERS, AND TITLES

A. ROYALTY.

- 1. <u>Kings and Queens</u>. The title of King or Queen is won in combat in a properly constituted Crown Lists held at a tournament previously announced as required for official events and as being for that purpose.
- a. Each gentleman competing in the Crown Lists shall have a prospective consort (Lady for whom he is fighting), and each lady competing in the Crown Lists shall have a prospective consort (Lord for whom she is fighting).
- b. Each competitor in the Crown Lists and each prospective consort shall be a member of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated. Each such member shall either be an associate or family member with immediate access to newsletters provided by a subscribing membership, or shall themselves be a sustaining, contributing or patron member. In all cases at least one must be a sustaining, contributing or patron member. Members ip must be maintained by the victor and prospective consort throughout their tenure as Successor to the Crown and as King and Queen.
- c. No one shall compete in the Crown Lists or the prospective consort of a competitor in the Crown Lists who cannot fulfill the duties of the Cown, nor shall anyone knowingly compete for or be the prospective consort of a person who cannot salfill the duties of the Crown.
- d. The King of a Kingdom may not succeed himself as either Sovereign or Consort of that Kingdom, nor may the Queen of a Kingdom succeed herself as either Sovereign or Consort of that Kingdom.
- e. The victor in the Crown Lists and his or her prospective consort shall together assume the titles of Crown Prince and Crown Princess as appropriate to their sexes, and the positions of Successors to the Crown.
- f. Upon their Coronation the Successors to the Crown shall assume the titles of King and Queen as appropriate to their sexes. The victor in the Crown Lists shall assume the office of Sovereign of the Kingdom, and the person for whom the victor fought shall assume the office of Consort.
 - g. No King or Queen shall hold any Great Office of State during their reign.
 - h. Duties of the Crown.
 - i. Being present at their Coronation, at the next Crown Lists, at the Coronation of their Successors, and at all other events dictated by the Laws and Customs of their Kingdom.
 - ii. Signing such documents as are necessary for the conduct of the Kingdom.
 - iii. Being for their people the chief examples of chivalry, courtesy, and the virtues appropriate to the First Peers of the Kingdom, and encouraging these virtues in their subjects.
 - iv. Knowing, upholding, and maintaining the Laws of their Kingdom and the By-Laws and Corpora of the Society.
 - v. Being true and faithful monarchs to their subjects; upholding their subjects' rights and working for their benefit; and maintaining an impartial justice among all in the Kingdom.
 - vi. Giving appropriate recognition to those who, through their achievements and service within the Kingdom, are worthy of such honour
 - vii. Serving upon such Courts as it is deemed necessary to convene.
 - viii. Defending the Kingdom from all foes, domestic and foreign.

- ix. Seeking the advice of the officers of the Kingdom in matters concerning their areas of specialization.
 - x. Watching over and encouraging the Arts and Sciences within the Kingdom.
- xi. Encouraging special care in the extension of hospitality and welcome to new and prospective members.
 - xii. (Sovereign) Supervising fighting on the field of honour.
- xiii. (Consort) Serving as Regent of the Kingdom if necessary, according to the Laws and Customs of the Kingdom.
- i. Privileges of the Crown.
 - i. The right to make Awards of Arms to deserving persons without restriction.
- ii. The right to award the lattles of (Court) Baron and (Court) Baroness without restriction.
- iii. The right to award Grant of Arms to those persons who have fulfilled the qualifications as required by the Laws at 1 Customs of the Kingdom and as regulated by the College of Arms.
- iv. The right to elevate subjects to the Peerage by granting membership in one of the Orders conferring a Patent of Arms, after consultation with the members of the Order, and in accordance with the Laws and Customs of the Kingdom. Restriction: to advance a candidate to the Order of Knighthood, a Knight of the Society must bestow the accolade.
- v. The right to acknowledge attainment of Ducal, County, or Viscounty titles by those who have met the requirements.
- vi. The right to establish and make such other awards as the Crown shall deem proper, is accordance with the Laws and Customs of the Kingdom.
- vii. The right to appoint, remove, and replace Great Officers of State, in conjunction with the appropriate Corporate Officers; and to appoint, remove, and replace lesser officers of the Kingdom in conjunction with the appropriate Great Officer.
- viii. The right to suspend any officer of the Kingdom for just and stated cause for the duration of the Reign.
- ix. <u>Limitation</u>: The Crown's authority over Kingdom officers is limited to directives which do not contravene established Corporate Law, and which do not conflict with the laws of the mundane nation or any of the subdivisions of that nation in which such directives would apply.
- x. The right to make and amend such Kingdom Law as the Crown deems necessary for the conduct of the Kingdom. Limitation: If such a Law conflicts with an existing Kingdom Law, the latter must be explicitly repealed. If such a Law conflicts with any law of the mundane nation or any of the subdivisions of that nation in which it would apply, it shall be automatically null and void in each and every such geographic area of conflict.
- xi. The right to receive such gifts as may be made to the Crown during their reign and to preserve such gifts for their Successors; the right to receive personal gifts so designated their reign; the right to make use of such possessions and treasures as the Crown shall already possess during their reign.
- xii. The right to establish and call such Courts as may be necessary for the governance their Realm.

- j. Failure of the Crown or Succession. Each Kingdom shall establish procedures in Kingdom Law to ensure the succession of the Crown and to provide for the maintenance of the Crown and the Kingdom in the event of disaster, failure, or absence of the Crown or its Successors. Each Kingdom shall ensure that the Steward of the Society and the Board of Directors have current copies of Kingdom Law.
- k. Royal Titles. The King and Queen shall be addressed or referred to, in their official capacity, as the KING or QUEEN, by the equivalent titles in the language of their personae, as HIS, HER, or YOUR MAJESTY, or as HIS, HER, or YOUR GRACE. On official documents the Latin form of their titles may be used.
 - i. If a King or Queen wishes to use a Royal Title from a language not previously used by any King or Queen in the Society, it is their responsibility to establish to the satisfaction of the Kingdom Herald and the Laurel Sovereign of Arms that such title is equivalent to King or Queen as appropriate and is appropriate to their personae.
 - ii. Once an alternate Royal Title has been approved by the Laurel Sovereign of Arms it is valid for use by other holders of the Crown in all lingdoms of the Society if it is appropriate to their personae.
- iii. The King or Queen may not adopt non-regeritles in their official capacity even when such titles were historically used by de facto speciens.
- 2. Territorial Princes and Princesses. The title of Prince or Princess is won in combat in a properly constituted Coronet Lists held at a tournament announced as required for an official event and as being held for that purpose.
- a. Each gentleman competing in the Coronet Lists shall have a prospective consort (a Lady for whom he is fighting), and each lady competing in the Coronet Lists shall have a prospective consort (Lord for whom she is fighting).
- b. Each competitor in the Coronet Lists and each prospective consort shall be a member of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated. Each such member shall either be an associate or family member with immediate access to newsletters provided by a subscribing membership, or shall themselves be a sustaining, contributing or patron member. In all cases at least one must be a sustaining, contributing or patron member. Membership must be maintained by the victor and prospective consort throughout their tenure as Successors to the Coronet and as Prince and Princess.
- c. No one shall compete in the Coronet Lists or be the prospective consort of a competitor in the Coronet Lists who cannot fulfill the duties of the Coronet, nor shall anyone knowingly compete for or be the prospective Consort of a person who cannot fulfill the duties of the Coronet.
- d. The Prince of a Principality may not succeed himself as either Sovereign or Consort of that Principality, nor may the Princess of a Principality succeed herself as either Sovereign or Consort of that Principality.
- e. The victor in the Coronet Lists and his or her prospective consort shall together assume the positions of Successors to the Coronet.
- f. Upon their Investiture the Successors to the Coronet shall assume the titles of Prince and Princess as appropriate to their sexes. The victor in the Coronet Lists shall assume the office of Sovereign of the Principality, and the person for whom the victor fought shall assume the office of Consort.
 - g. No Prince or Princess shall hold any Principality office during their reign.

h. Duties of the Coronet.

- Being present at their Investiture; at the next Coronet Lists; at the Investiture of their Successors; and at all other events dictated by the Laws and Customs of their Kingdom and their Principality.
- ii. Being for their people examples of chivalry, courtesy, and the virtues appropriate to noblemen and noblewomen, and encouraging these virtues in their people.
- iii. Knowing, upholding, and abiding by the Laws of the Kingdom and the By-Laws and Corpora of the Society, and knowing, upholding and maintaining the Laws of their Principality.
- iv. Being true and faithful servants of their Crown; upholding their people's rights and working for their benefit; maintaining the Crown's justice among all subjects in their Principality.
- Recommending to the Crown for recognition those who through their achievements and service within the Principality are wo thy of honour.
 - vi. Watching over and encouragic the Arts and Sciences in the Principality.
- vii. Encouraging special care the extension of hospitality and welcome to new and prospective members.
 - Serving upon such Courts as it is deemed necessary to convene.
- ix. (Consort) Serving as Regent of the Principality if necessary, in accordance with the Laws and the Customs of the Kingdom and the Principality.
- Privileges of the Coronet.
- The right to make such Royal Awards as shall have been specifically delegated to the Coronet by the Crown.
 - ii. The right to establish and make awards specific to their Principality.
- iii. The right to acknowledge the attainment of Viscounty title by those who have met the requirements.
- iv. The right to make such Laws as the Coronet shall deem necessary for the conduct the Principality, subject to the approval of the Crown, and subsidiary to the Laws of the Kingdom and the Society. Restrictions: The same restrictions shall apply pertaining to Corporate and mundane law as are specified for Kingdom Law above.
- The right to receive such gifts as may be made to the Coronet during their reign, and to preserve such gifts for their Successors; the right to receive personal gifts during their reign; and the right to use such possessions and treasures during their reign as the Corone may already possess.
- vi. The right to call such Courts as may be necessary for the governance of the Principality, subject to the approval of the Crown.
- j. Failure of the Coronet or the Succession. Each and every Kingdom possessed of Principality shall establish procedures to (sure the succession of the Coronet, and to provide for the maintenance of the Coronet and the Principality in the event of disaster, failure, absence of the Coronet or its Successors. S ch provision shall either be made directly in Kingdom Law, or be required of Principality aw for any Principalities within the Kingdom.

B. OFFICERS AND OFFICES OF STATE.

- l. Great Officers of State. The Great Officers of State (Kingdom level officers) of a Kingdom include the Seneschal; the Kingdom Principal Herald; the Earl Marshal; the Master or Mistress of Arts; the Master or Mistress of Sciences; the Chancellor of the Exchequer; the Chronicler; the Kingdom Chirurgeon General; and optionally the Lord High Chancellor. Additionally, the Crown may raise other Kingdom officials to the status of Great Officers of State, temporarily or permanently.
- a. All Great Officers of State are responsible directly to the Crown for the execution of their duties. A Great Officer having a counterpart at the Corporate level is also responsible to that Corporate Officer.
- b. The Great Officers of State are responsible for the establishment and maintenance of such branch structure, including lesser officers of the Kingdom, as are necessary for the accomplishment of their duties. Great Officers of State are authorized to warrant deputy officers and lesser kingdom officers as provided below, and to delegate authorized to through the establishment of branch structure. No part of this paragraph may be taken as contravening a Great Officer's ultimate responsibility for those duties which lie with
- c. All Great Officers of State of a Kingdor all be sustaining, contributing, or patron members of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incor orated, and shall maintain such membership while they are officers. All lesser officers of Kingdom shall be sustaining, contributing, or patron members, or shall be associate or family members with immediate access to the newsletters provided by a subscribing membership, and shall maintain such membership while they are officers.
- 2. Duties and Responsibilities. The principal duties and responsibilities of the Great Officers of State are as outlined below for the various offices. The Crown may assign other offices, officers and duties, in addition to those described, on a regular or ad hoc basis, as the needs of the Realm require.
 - a. The Seneschal is the chief administrative officer of the Society for the Kingdom.
 - i. The Seneschal shall act as the chief co-ordinating officer of the Kingdom in fulfilling the reporting function to the Steward and the Board of Directors.
 - ii. The Seneschal shall initiate proceedings to register the Society as a non-profit educational corporation in all appropriate jurisdictions within the Seneschalate's purview if this has not been done.
 - iii. The Seneschal shall nominate a Legal Agent for each appropriate area of jurisdiction according to the By-Laws if none exists.
- b. The Kingdom Principal Herald is the head of the Kingdom College of Heralds and is responsible for supervising Field Heraldry and Court Heraldry at Kingdom events, and for Kingdom activities for the College of Arms.
- c. The Earl Marshal is the officer in charge of tournament lists, martial sciences, and safety on the field.
- d. The Master or Mistress of the Arts is responsible for fostering the development of the historically accurate arts practiced in the Kingdom.
- e. The Master or Mistress of the Sciences is responsible for fostering the development of the historically accurate sciences practiced in the Kir dom.
- f. The Chancellor of the Exechequer is responsible for maintaining the financial records of the Kingdom, and supervising the finances of the Kingdom.

- g. The Chronicler supervises all official publishing activities of the Kingdom, and is the editor of or supervises the editor of the Kingdom publication responsible for all required amouncements and notices of official events, Kingdom Law, and the like.
- h. The Chirurgeon General administers the Kingdom Office of the Medics and is responsible first aid at Society events including but not limited to Tournament Combat and procedures notifying attendees of health and safety concerns at Society events.
- i. (Optional) The Lord or Lady High Chancellor advises the Crown and the Offices of State points of Law, both Society and mundame.
 - 3. Appointment and Removal of Officers.
 - a. Great Officers of State.
 - i. Appointment and Warranting. Great Officers of State are appointed by nomination the Crown after due consultation with I ingdom officers, and are ratified by the corresponding Corporate Officer. Great Officers of State are warranted by the King and Queen of the King and by their Corporate superior. If r corresponding Corporate Office exists, the Crown shall act unilaterally.
 - ii. Resignation. Resignation in witting constitutes termination of warrant.
 - iii. Expiration of Term of Service. In cases of expiration of Term of Service, Grant Officers are removed automatically by the expiration of their Warrants.
 - iv. Removal for Cause. Great Officers of State may be removed for cause by recommendation of the Crown reviewed and ratified by the corresponding Corporate Officer. Seattion may be appealed to the Board of Directors by the Great Officer being removed. If Corporate Officer exists the Crown shall act unilaterally according to the Laws and Customs the Kingdom, but the right of appeal shall still apply.
 - v. Suspension. Great Officers of State may be suspended by the Crown for just a stated cause for the duration of the reign. If a deputy exists for the post, the deputy shall automatically assume the duties and responsibilities of the office at the moment of suspension and shall continue fulfilling said duties and responsibilities until the suspension is terminated. If no deputy exists for the post, the Crown and Corporate Officer (if and shall reach an agreement as to how to carry out the duties and responsibilities of the post, shall appeal to the Board of Directors.
 - b. Lesser officers of a Kingdom.
 - i. Appointment and Warranting. Lesser officers of a Kingdom are appointed and warrant by the Crown upon the recommendation of the appropriate Kingdom officers, and ratified by corresponding Great Officer of State. Lesser officers of a Kingdom are warranted by the and Queen of the Kingdom and by the appropriate Great Officer of State. If no Great Office invision to the Crown shall act unilaterally.
 - ii. Resignation. Resignation in writing constitutes termination of warrant.
 - iii. Expiration of Term of Service. In cases of expiration of term of service, less officers of a Kingdom are removed automatically by expiraton of their Warrants.
 - iv. Removal for Cause. Lesser officalizes may be removed for cause by the Crown, ratified by the Great Officer of State having jurisdiction. Such actions may be appealed to the Board of Directors by the officer being removed. There no Great Office of State has jurisdiction to Crown shall act unilaterally but the right of appeal still applies.
 - v. Suspension. The Crown may suspend any officer of the Kingdom for just and state cause for the duration of the reign. If a deputy exists for the post the deputy shall assume the post and fulfill its duties and responsibilities at the moment of such suspension and state of the control of t

continue fulfilling said duties and responsibilities until the suspension is terminated. If no deputy exists the Crown and the Great Officer of State having jurisdiction (if any) shall determine how the functions of the post shall be carried out, or shall appeal the matter to the corresponding Corporate Officer or the Board of Directors as appropriate.

- C. TERRITORIAL BARONS AND BARONESSES. The title and office of Territorial Baron or Baroness shall be awarded by the Crown according to the laws and customs of the Kingdom when a branch petitions for and is granted Baronial status, and at such times as a new Baron or Baroness is to be appointed.
- 1. The duties of the Baron and/or Baroness are ceremonial in nature in reflecting the Royal Presence in the Barony where Their Majesties or Their Highnesses cannot be present.
- 2. The office of Territorial Baron and/or Baroness is responsible to the Crown and (if the Barony is within a Principality) to the Coronet. The Baron and/or Baroness shall work with the Baronial officers as circumstances dictate, and shall keep these officers informed as necessary for the efficient performance of their duties and comfortate liaison within the Barony.
- 3. A Territorial Baron or Baroness may hold other Society office for which he or she is fitted and qualified, but must not allow the duties a exponsibilities of such office and the office of Baron or Baroness to conflict.
- 4. The Crown may establish other duties and responsibilities for the Baron and/or Baroness as the laws and customs of the Kingdom provide.
- 5. The privileges, duties, and rights, ceremonial and otherwise, of the office of Territorial Baron and/or Baroness are established by the Laws and Customs of the Kingdom, and shall include the right to make such awards as the Crown (or the Coronet, if applicable) shall specifically delegate, and to establish and make awards specific to the Barony.
- 6. Each Kingdom which has a Barony shall provide for the appointment of a Territorial Baron and/or Baroness as law and custom shall dictate when a branch first petitions for and is granted Baronial status; for the appointment of successors to the titles of Baron and/or Baroness when necessary; and for the absence of the Baron and/or Baroness. Such provision may be in Kingdom law or delegated to Principality law when appropriate.
- 7. The Society recognizes and approves of the ancient tradition of creating as Founding Baron and/or Baroness the person(s) who were instrumental in founding and establishing a new branch when that branch becomes a Barony, and recommends the maintenance of this tradition in Kingdom Laws.
- 8. Alternate Titles. The Society recognizes that equivalent titles and functions to Baron and/or Baroness exist in many cultures, and provision is made for a Barony to use a variant title (Article V, Section D). Where a Barony has petitioned for and been granted a variant title, the Baron and/or Baroness may also use an alternate title appropriate to the title of their branch, with the following restrictions.
- a. The particular alternate title must be the correct equivalent of Baron or Baroness as appropriate for the variant title proposed for the branch, and must be submitted to the College of Arms for validation. The branch may submit the alternate title(s) at the time of submitting its own variant title, or the Baron and/or Baroness may submit the alternate title at a later time.
- b. The College of Arms may reject a proposed alternate title for Baron or Baroness without prejudice to a proposed variant title for a branc, and vice versa.
- c. Validation by the College of Arms makes an alternate title for Baron and/or Baroness available for use by other Territorial Barons ar /or Baronesses whose branches adopt the same variant title for the branch, subject to the other provisions of this Section.
- d. The Crown (and if applicable the Coronet) must approve the alternate title for Baron and/or Baroness.

VII. INDIVIDUAL ORDERS AND TITLES

A. ORDERS

- 1. Orders conferring a Patent of Arms. The following Orders are established for all Kingdoms in the Society. Membership in one of these Orders as defined by the Corpora is required to confer a Patent of Arms.
- a. General Requirements for Orders conferring a Patent of Arms. Candidates for any Order conferring a Patent of Arms must meet the following minimum criteria. Additional requirements may be established by Law and Custom of the Kingdoms as deemed appropriate and necessary by the Crown.
 - i. They shall have been obedient to the Corpora and By-Laws of the Society and the Laws of the Kingdom.
 - ii. They shall have consistently stown respect for the Crown of the Kingdom.
 - iii. They shall have set an examp of courteous and noble behavior suitable to a Peer of the Realm.
 - iv. They shall have demonstrated su port for the aims and ideals of the Society by being as authentic in dress, equipment and behavior as is within their power.
 - v. They shall have shown willingness to share their knowledge and impart unto others their skills.
 - vi. They shall have practiced hospitality according to their means and as appropriate to the circumstances.
 - vii. They shall have made every effort to learn and practice those skills desirable at and worthy of a civilized court. To this end they should have become acquainted with fields of period study including but not limited to literature, dancing, music, heraldry, and chess, and they should have some familiarity with fighting as practiced in the Society.
 - viii. They should have attained at least to the standard of accomplishment achieved by the existing Peers of the Orders for which they are candidates in the areas for which they are being considered, as determined by the members of the Order.
- b. Order of Precedence Within the Peerage. Kingdoms may establish the order of precedence within the Peerage according to the Laws and Customs of the Kingdom. However, the Patent Orders of Knight, Master and Mistress of Arms, Master and Mistress of the Laurel, and Master and Mistress of the Pelican are held to be of equal precedence and shall be considered as one group.
 - c. The Order of Knighthood.
 - 1. Specific Requirements:
 - a. The candidate must meet the general requirements specified above.
 - b. The candiate must be considered the equal of his or her prospective peers with the basic weapons of tournament combat.
 - c. The candiate must be prepared to sw ar fealty to the Crown of his or her Kingdom.
 - ii. Duties:
 - a. To set an example of courtesy and chivalrous conduct on and off the field of honour
 - b. To support and uphold the Crown of his or her Kingdom; the Laws of the Kingdom; and the Corpora and By-Laws of the Society.

- c. To make available his or her knowledge and skills to the enrichment of the Kingdom.
- d. To enhance and defend the honour of his Lady or her Lord.
- e. To advise the Crown upon the advancement of others to the Orders of Knighthood and Master or Mistress at Arms.
- f. The sole right, as Sovereign or directly acting for the Sovereign, to bestow the Accolade of Knighthood upon a candidate for the Order of Knighthood: for only a Knight can create a Knight.
- d. The Order of Masters and Mistresses at Arms.
 - Specific Requirements:
 - a. The candidate must meet the general requirements specified above.
- b. The candidate must be considered the qual of his or her prospective peers with the basic weapons of Society combat.
 - ii. Duties:
 - a. To set an example of courtesy and chivalrous conduct on and off the field of honour.

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- b. To respect the Crown of the Kingdom; to support and uphold the Laws of the Kingdom, and the Corpora and By-Laws of the Society.
 - c. To make available his or her knowledge and skills to the enrichment of the Kingdom.
 - d. To enhance and defend the honour of his Lady or her Lord.
- e. To advise the Crown upon the advancement of others to the Orders of Knighthood and Master or Mistress of Arms.
- e. The Order of the Laurel.
 - i. Specific Requirements:
 - a. The candidate must meet the general requirements specified above.
- b. The candidate must have attained the standard of excellence in skill and/or knowledge equal to that of his or her prospective peers in some area of the Arts or Sciences.
- c. The candidate must have made available this skill and/or knowledge for the instruction of members and service to the Kingdom to an extent above and beyond that normally expected of members.
 - ii. Duties:
- a. To respect the Crown of the Kingdom; to support and uphold the Laws of the Kingdom, and the Corpora and By-Laws of the Society.
 - b. To make available his or her knowledge and skills to the enrichment of the Kingdom.
 - c. To advise the Crown upon the adva cement of others to the Order of the Laurel.

- f. The Order of the Pelican.
 - i. Specific Requirements:
 - a. The candidate must meet the general requirements specified above.
- b. The candidate must have attained the standard of service to the Society or any of its branches equal to that of his or her prospective peers.
 - ii. Duties:
- a. To respect the Crown of the Kingdom; to support and uphold the Laws of the Kingdom, and the Corpora and By-Laws of the Society.
 - b. To make available his or her knowledge and skills to the enrichment of the Kingdom.
 - c. To advise the Crown upon the a vancement of others to the Order of the Pelican.
- g. Royal Peerages. The Royal Pee es as defined in Section VII.B.3.b below may receive Patents of Arms according to the laws and cue ins of the Kingdom as ratified by the Laurel Sovereign of Arms. If Royal Peerages receive Patents of Arms in a Kingdom, the general requirements for Patents of Arms set forth in Section VII.A.1.a pove must be met.
- h. The Order of the Rose. The Order of the Rose as defined in Section VII.A.4 below may receive a Patent of Arms according to the laws and customs of the Kingdom as ratified by the Laurel Sovereign of Arms. If the Order of the Rose is a Patent Order in a Kingdom, the general requirements for Patents of Arms set forth in Section VII.A.1.a above must be met.
- 2. Armigerous Orders. Kingdoms may establish orders conferring Awards or Grants of Arms, and the Crown may award membership in such orders, according to the Laws and Customs of the Kingdom.
 - a. The Order of Precedence within Orders conferring an Award of Arms, or a Grant of Arms, shall be established according to the Laws and Customs of the Kingdoms, as regulated by the College of Arms.
 - b. Kingdom Orders conferring Arms must require that candidates for such orders meet the general requirements for such Arms.
 - c. Kingdoms may establish Principality Orders along the same lines as Kingdom Orders, according to the Laws and Customs of the Kingdom.
- 3. Non-Armigerous Orders. Non-armigerous orders may be established by the Corpora for all Kingdoms, or by a Kingdom, Principality, Barony or Province, according to the Laws and Customs of the Kingdom.
- a. Such orders may constitute a recommendation of a person for recognition by the Crown, but may not convey Arms, unless specifically delegated by the Crown as provided in Article VI.
- b. Approval by the Crown is required to establish any such order formally, to be recognized by the College of Heralds of the Kingdom.
- 4. The Order of the Rose. The Order of the Rose is established for all Kingdoms of the Society. Its membership consists of ladies who have been Queen of a Kingdom. It is specifically charged with encouraging chivalric and courteous pathavior among all members of the Society. It may be non-armigerous, or it may be a Patent Order as a ovided in Section VII.A.1.h above.

B. TITLES

- 1. Prohibition Against Landed Titles. "Landedness" in the Society is an attribute of the Territorial Offices of the Crown, the Coronet, and Territorial Barons and Baronesses. Titles within the Society do not confer land, and no form of any title shall be taken or used which states or implies ownership or control of any geographic, demographic or sociographic area within or external to the Society in any sense, medieval or otherwise.
- 2. Reservation of Titles. No title may be used in the Society which is not one of the titles specified in this Section, or an established alternate title for one of these titles as approved by the College of Arms. The Board of Directors explicitly reserves the right to grant any new titles either generally by establishing requirements therefore, or specifically as a result of appeal to the Board. A specific title granted by the Board upon just petition is unique to each case and does not make such a title valid for any other use or person within the Society.

3. Titles Associated with the Peerage.

a. Patents.

- i. Knight. A member of the Order of Knighth
- ii. Master or Mistress. A member of the Order of Masters and Mistresses at Arms; the Order of the Laurel; or the Order of the Pelican.

b. Royal Peers.

- i. Duke. The title of Duke shall be assumed by each gentleman who has twice ruled as King of a Kingdom at the end of his second full reign.
- i. Duchess. The title of Duchess shall be assumed by each lady who has twice ruled as Queen of a Kingdom at the end of her second full reign.
- iii. Count. The title of Count shall be assumed by each gentleman who has once ruled as King of a Kingdom at the end of his first full reign.
- iv. Countess. The title of Countess shall be assumed by each lady who has once ruled as Queen of a Kingdom at the end of her first full reign. She shall at that time be admitted to the Order of the Rose.
- v. Viscount. The title of Viscount shall be assumed by each gentleman who has once reigned as Prince of a Principality at the end of his first full reign.
- vi. Viscountess. The title of Viscountess shall be assumed by each lady who has once ruled as Princess of a Principality at the end of her first full reign.

4. Other Titles.

- a. Lord and Lady. The title of Lord or Lady shall be assumed by any man or woman, respectively, who holds Arms by Award or Grant.
- b. Court Baron and Court Baroness. The title of Baron or Baroness may be awarded at the discretion of the Crown and shall carry only such privileges and duties as the Crown shall establish.
- 5. Alternate Titles. The titles referred to in this Section are considered standard throughout the Society and no special justification is need for their use by holders of those titles. The Society recognizes that equivalent titles exist in many cultures, and may be more appropriate to individual members' personae. Such alternate titles may be used in place of the standard titles shown above subject to the following restrictions.

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- a. The particular alternate title must be the correct equivalent of the standard title for the person using the alternate title.
- b. If the alternate title is not already in approved use within the Society, it is the responsibility of the member who wishes to use it to submit the title to the College of Arms for validation.
- c. Validation by the College of Arms makes an alternate title available for use by others, subject to the other provisions of this Section.
- d. No alternate title shall be taken by a member unless it is an appropriate title in the language of their persona.
- e. This Section shall not revoke past cases where alternate usages have been granted by the Board of Directors, even if such titles are not exact equivalents to the standard titles; but no new usage under any such previous directive shall be allowed unless the provisions of this Section are satisfied.

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APPENDIX A

ORDER OF PRECEDENCE OF LAW
IN THE
SOCIETY FOR CREATIVE ANACHRONISM, INCORPORATED

The following is the precedence of Law in the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated, in DESCENDING order of priority:

THE UNITED STATES CONS! ITUTION

FEDERAL LAW OF THE UNITED ST IS OF AMERICA

STATE CONSTITUT:

STATE LAW

COUNTY LAW

CITY LAW/LOCAL ORDINANCE

THE BY-LAWS OF THE SOCIETY FOR CREATIVE ANACHRONISM, INCORPORATED
THE CORPORA OF THE SOCIETY FOR CREATIVE ANACHRONISM, INCORPORATED
GOVERNING AND POLICY DECISIONS OF THE BOARD OF LARECTORS

KINGDOM LAW

DECISION OF THE CROWN

(Binding only within the Kingdom concerned)

PRINCIPALITY LAW

DECISION OF THE CORONET

(Binding only within the Principality concerned)

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APPENDIX B

THE RULES OF THE LISTS OF THE SOCIETY FOR CREATIVE ANACHRONISM, INCORPORATED

- 1. Each fighter, recognizing the possibilities of physical injury to himself in such combat, shall assume unto himself all risk and liability for harm suffered by means of such combat.
- 2. No fighter shall participate in combat unless and until he shall have executed a written waiver of liability and presented same to the Sov reign or his representative.
- 3. Every combatant who has not yet attended the age of majority in his or her state of residence and the state in which the event is held and 1 present to the Sovereign or his representative a written waiver-of-liability form signed by his parent or guardian prior to commencement of combat by such combatant.
- 4. All combatants must be presented to, and must be acceptable to, the Sovereign or his representative.
- Combatants shall behave in a knightly and chivalrous manner.
- 6. Fighters are expected to behave as though the weapons used in combat are real, and "injuries" sustained will be judged accordingly. In judging "injuries", all fighters are presumed to be fully armoured unless otherwise stated.
- 7. Each gentleman fighting in the Lists for the Crown shall have a lady to receive the Consort's Crown should be be successful in combat, though her name need not be revealed until her crown is secure. Each Lady fighting in the Lists for the Crown shall have a gentleman to receive the Consort's Crown should she be successful in combat, though his name need not be revealed until his crown is secure.
- 8. All combatants shall adhere to the Marshallate Armor and Weapons standards of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated, and of the Kingdom in which the event takes place.
- 9. The Sovereign or his representative may bar any weapon from use upon the combat field.
- 10. Any weapons mutually acceptable to the combatants in a fight may be used on the field of battle subject to the provisions of Rule #9.
- 11. Where the combatants mutually desire to use any weapon previously barred by the Sovereign's representative, they may present their cause to the Sovereign. The Sovereign shall, after receiving the advice of his representative, pass judgment on the use of the barred weapon for a particular fight. Prior to the use of the barred weapon at a subsequent event, it shall be presented to a Court of Chivalry for determination of its safety and use.

- 12. Any combatant may without dishonour or penalty reject any challenge, or the use of a particular weapon by his opponent, should he deem the weapon unusually dangerous.
- 13. No tournament weapons shall be made of metal and no metal shall be drawn in an offensive manner on the field at any Society event.
- 14. If a shield is to be used as a weapon, the shield becomes subject to weapons restrictions and must be approved by the Sovereign or the Sovereign's representative.
- 15. There shall be no thrusting except with weapons specifically designed for thrusting, subject to the provisions of Rule #9.
- 16. A bladed weapon may not be grasped as a means of stopping a blow. If a weapon is broken or dropped on the field, the combat shall stop while the fighter is rearmed. If the fighter slips the combat shall stop while he recovers.
- 17. No projectile weapons shall be allowed and no pons shall be thrown within the Lists of a Tourney. All other uses of such weapons are subject to provisions of Rule #9.

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WARRANT OF APPOINTMENT TO OFFICE SOCIETY FOR CREATIVE ANACHRONISM, INCORPORATED

Be it known to all by these presents that
of (Mundane Name)
(Mundane Address and Telephone Number)
known in the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated, as
(Society Name), is hereby Warranted to the
Office of
(Complete Title f Office)
for a period of or until
(Term of to lice or Equivalent)
. This Warrant of Appointment shall
(Definition of Expiration)
become effective upon, and
(Date, Anno Societatis and Common Era)
supersedes any existing or previous Warrant for this office.
SIGNED:
SIGNED: DATED:

This Warrant must be signed by: (a) for Corporate Officers, three members of the Board of Directors; (b) for Great Officers of State of a Kingdom, the King and Queen of the Kingdom and the appropriate Corporate Officer; (c) for Lesser Officers of a Kingdom, the King and Queen of the Kingdom and the appropriate Great Officer of State of that Kingdom.

This Warrant is the Official Warrant for all Officers. Copies of duly executed Warrants must be sent to the responsible Corporate Officer and to all parties involved in the execution of the Warrant. A calligraphed Warrant may be prepared and may omit purely mundane items but the Warrant executed upon this form is the official document.

The form and content of this Warrant supersede all previous forms of Warrants of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated.

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ARTICLE I: OFFICES

The Principal Office of the Corporation shall be located in the City of Berkeley, County of Alameda, State of California. The Corporation may have other offices as the Board may determine or as the affairs of the Corporation may require from time to time.

ARTICLE II: MEMBERS

- 1. CATEGORIES OF MEMBERSHIP:
- a. Sustaining Membership. The basic membership, conveying the right to hold office in the Society, and a subscription to the Society publication and the appropriate Kingdom publication.
- b. Contributing Membership. The privileges of Sustaining Membership, together with the thanks of the Society and listing in the Society publication (unless anonymity is desired).
- c. Patron Membership. The privileg of Contributing Membership, as well as subscriptions to all official publications of the Society, bluding the Minutes of the Board of Directors.
- d. Foreign Membership. Available to railing addresses outside the United States (other than APO and FPO) and Canada: conveys the rights of sustaining membership to hold office in the Society, and to receive the Society publication by air mail.
- e. Associate Membership. Conveys the right to hold office in the Society (other than Kingdom Great Offices of State, the Crown or Coronet, and heads of Corporate Offices).
- f. Family Membership. Extends Associate Membership to all members of the immediate family who are legal dependents of a Sustaining, Contributing, or Patron member.
- g. <u>Lifetime Membership</u>. The privileges of Contributing Membership for the lifetime of the member, the cost to be 20 times the current Patron Membership fee.
- 2. Every member of the Society is eligible for office and advancement within the Society, subject to the requirements for such office or such advancement, and to the provisions established above.
- 3. While all participants in the Society's activities are encouraged to become members, duespaying membership is a requirement for office-holders, and for participation in Crown or Coronet Lists. Participation in tourneys, revels, re-creations, or other Society events does not require membership.
- 4. The Board of Directors shall have the power to establish and regulate classes of membership, to define the rights, privileges and duties of the classes of membership, and to establish and revise a schedule of dues for the classes of membership.
- 5. Membership in the Society for Creative Anachronism is open to any interested individual, without restriction of age or citizenship. Membership can be terminated only by:
 - a. Lapse following nonpayment of dues; or
 - b. Revocation of membership by the Board of Directors.
 - 6. Memberships are not transferable or as ignable.

ARTICLE III: MEETINGS OF MEMBERS

- 1. MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS: At least once each year the Board of Directors shall call a meeting of the Board of Directors for the purpose of the transaction of such business as may come before the meeting. Meetings of the Board of Directors are open to all members of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated.
- 2. MEETINGS OF THE MEMBERSHIP: The types, purposes, places and times of official and unofficial meetings of the membership shall be defined in the Corpora of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated.

ARTICLE IV: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- 1. POWERS: The affairs of the corporation shall I managed by the Board of Directors.
 - 2. QUALIFICATION, NUMBER, TENURE AND RESTRICTIONS
- a. Members of the Board of Directors must be sistaining, contributing, or patron members of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated, as defined in the Corpora of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated, and must maintain such membership while serving on the Board of Directors.
- b. There shall be five (5) Directors on the Board; more may be udded at the discretion of the Board by amendment of these By-Laws, but only in such multiples that the number of Directors remains uneven.
- c. A member is elected to the Board of Directors by the unanimous vote of the Board of Directors. Directors remain on the Board until expiration of their term of service; resignation from the Board of Directors; or removal by a vote of two-thirds of the members of the Board of Directors.
- d. Members of the Board of Directors may not hold any Corporate Office or Great Office of State of a Kingdom while serving on the Board of Directors.
- e. A member of the Board of Directors may not serve as King or Queen of a Kingdom while actively serving on the Board. A member of the Board of Directors may take a leave of absence to serve as King or Queen of a Kingdom, but such leave of absence shall not extend the member's remaining term of service upon the Board of Directors.
- 3. MANNER OF ACTING: An act of the Board consists of an affirmative decision by a majority of the members, except as otherwise provided for in the By-Laws.
- 4. VACANCIES: In case of vacancy, the remaining Directors may elect a new Director by unanimous vote. If the vacancy does not cause the Board of Directors to number less than three (3), the remaining Directors may choose to leave the position vacant.
- 5. REMOVAL: A majority of the members of the Board of Directors may call a special election meeting with ten (10) days notice to all members of the Board for the purpose of holding a special election of Directors.
 - 6. QUORUM: A quorum shall be a majority of the Board of Directors.
- 7. TERM OF SERVICE: The term of service 1 or Directors shall be three (3) years, dated from the election of the member to the Board of Directors. No member of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated, who has served as a Director may be re-elected to the Board of Directors for a period of one (1) year after their termination as a Director.

8. CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD: The post of Chairman of the Board of Directors shall be held for a period of six (6) months by each member of the Board, and shall rotate through the members of the Board by their seniority on the Board. No member shall be required to serve as Chairman. If the Chairman is not present or may not serve as Chairman for any reason, the next member by rotation to receive the Chair shall act as Vice Chairman.

ARTICLE V: OFFICERS

- 1. OFFICERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS: The officers of the Board of Directors shall consist of a President, a Vice-President (optional), a Treasurer, a Secretary (Clerk to the Board of Directors), a Registrar, and such other offices as the Board of Directors may from time to time designate. No two or more of the offices explicitly defined in this paragraph may be held simultaneously by one person.
- a. The office of President shall theld by the Steward of the Society; the office of Vice-President shall be held by the Deputy Steward of the Society; the office of Treasurer shall be held by the Chancellor of the Exchequer of the Society. These offices (Steward, Deputy Steward, Chancellor of the Exchequer) are defined in the Corpora of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated.
- b. ELECTION, QUALIFICATIONS, AND TERM OF OFFICE: Officers of the Board of Directors are elected by a unanimous vote of the Board of Directors, and shall hold office until their term of service is over, they resign, or until removed by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors.
- c. PRESIDENT: The President (Steward) is the principal executive officer of the corporation and shall supervise and control all of the business and administrative affairs of the corporation, and shall preside at all meetings of the Officers. The President may sign and authorize such instruments as the President deems appropriate to the conduct of the Society's proper business, grant charters, and delegate similiar responsibilities, but is subject to the discretion of the Board of Directors.
- d. VICE PRESIDENT: The Vice President (Deputy Steward) shall, in the absence of the President or in the event of the President's refusal or inability to act, perform the duties of the President and, when so performing, shall have all the duties, powers, and restrictions of the President. When the President is not absent or otherwise inactive under the above conditions, the Vice President shall be the chief assitant to the President and shall carry out such duties as are assigned to the Vice President.
- e. SECRETARY: The Secretary (Clerk of the Board) shall be responsible for carrying on correspondence for the Board of Directors, for keeping the minutes of meetings of the Board of Directors and for any related duties which the Board may assign the Secretary.
- f. TREASURER: The Treasurer (Chancellor of the Exchequer) shall have charge and custody of and be responsible for all funds and securities of the corporation; receive and give receipts for money due and payable to the corporation from any source; and deposit money in the name of the corporation in such depositories as the Board of Directors may select. The Treasurer must maintain records and funds of the corporation separately from any personal records or funds.
- g. REGISTRAR: The Registrar shall be responsible for maintaining the membership files of the corporation; for processing membership applications and delivering membership monies to the Treasurer; and for preparing mailing lists for polications of the corporation. The Registrar shall be financially responsible for all membership monies to the Treasurer.
- CORPORATE AND OTHER OFFICERS: Offic and officers within the medieval structure of the Society are defined and established by the Corpora of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated.

ARTICLE VI: CONTRACTS, CHEQUES, AND FUNDS

- 1. CONTRACTS: The Board may authorize any officer or agent of the corporation, in addition to officers so authorized by these By-Laws, to enter into any contract or execute any instrument in the name of the Corporation, and such authority may be general or confined to specific instances. Such authority must be given in writing, dated, and signed by at least two (2) members of the Board of Directors.
- 2. CHEQUES, DRAFTS, ETC.: All cheques, drafts, notes or other evidences of indebtedness issued in the name of the corporation shall be signed by such officers of the corporation, and in such manner, as shall from time to time be determined by the Board of Directors. In the absence of such determination, such instruments shall be signed by the Treasurer (Chancellor of the Exchequer) and counter-signed by the President (Steward).
- 3. GIFTS: The Board of Directors may accept on behalf of the corporation any contribution, gift, bequest, or devise for the general purposes of or for any special purpose of the corporation.

ARTICLE VII: BOOKS AND RECORDS

The corporation shall keep correct and complete books and records of account and shall also keep minutes of the proceedings of the meetings of its Board of Directors, and shall keep in the custody of the Registrar of the Society a record giving the names and addresses of the members, which record shall not be copied or viewed by any person except the officers, except with the permission of the Board of Directors. All books and records may be inspected by any member or his agent, for any reasonable purpose at any reasonable time; however, the lists of names and addresses of members shall not be made available to the public without prior written approval of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VIII: FISCAL YEAR

The Fiscal Year of the corporation shall begin on the first day of January and end on the last day of December in each year.

ARTICLE IX: AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS

These By-Laws may be altered, amended or repealed and new By-Laws may be adopted by the unanimous consent of the Board of Directors. Such amendments and alterations must be made in writing, and must immediately be placed in the records of the Society, and appended to copies of the By-Laws available to the membership.

ARTICLE X: THE CORPORA

- 1. The Board of Directors shall establish and maintain THE CORPORA OF THE SOCIETY FOR CREATIVE ANACHRONISM, INCORPORATED. The Corpora shall define the structure of the medieval organization of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated, and shall include all requirements and guidelines for the functioning of the brackets of the organization.
- 2. The Corpora may be altered, amended or repealed in part or in whole by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors. Such amendments and a terations must be made in writing and must immediately be placed in the records of the Society, and appended to copies of the Corpora available to the membership.

ARTICLE XI: GOVERNING AND POLICY DECISIONS

- 1. The Board of Directors may make decisions which amplify or interpret these By-Laws, or the Corpora, of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated, and which may affect the medieval structure, branches, and membership of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated, but which do not in the opinion of the Board of Directors require amendment of the By-Laws or the Corpora.
- 2. Such Governing and Policy Decisions must be made in writing and must immediately be placed in the records of the Society, and appended to copies of the Governing and Policy Decisions of the Board of Directors available to the membership.

ARTICLE XII: ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER

Business meetings of the Board of Directors shall in general be held according to the procedures defined by Robert's Rules of Order, Revised except where specified differently by these By-Laws.

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 PROCEDURE FOR AMENDMENTS TO THE CORPORA (April, 1975)

Any proposed amendment to the Corpora should be sent to the several newsletters for information of the populace at large; the Board will vote on the proposal not sooner than two weeks following the issuance of the latest-appearing newsletter. However, this procedure may be suspended in an emergency.

 DISCLAIMER STATEMENT FOR NON-OFFICIAL PUBLICATIONS (October, 1975)

The Board of Directors requests that this statement appear in each issue of a publication which wishes to use the name of the SCA, Inc., but which is not an official publication of the SCA, Inc.:

"This is the (Name of Publication), published by and for members of the (Name of Branch) of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc. porated. It is available from the publisher at (Address of Distributor). It is not a Colication of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated, and does not delineate to policies."

 WOMEN FIGHTERS (July 1975)

The Board finds nothing in the By-Laws or Corpora to prohibit women as a class from fighting on the field.

4. EDUCATIONAL GROUPS WITHIN THE SOCIETY FOR CREATIVE ANACHRONISM (November, 1977)

The Board recognizes that the avowed purpose of the Society for Creative Anachronism is education. It is thus fitting that small organizations which specialize in various educational activities (such as the University of Ithra in the West Kingdom) have grown up within the framework of the Society. While these groups do not encompass all educational activities which take place they do perform a great service in furthering the educational aims of the Society.

The Board of Directors wishes to acknowledge the validity, and endorse the endeavours of, these organizations, and urge all members of the Society to support their efforts.

 KINGDOM LAWS PERTAINING TO CONTRIBUTION OF FUNDS (February 1978)

The most stringent law on local contributions to Kingdom Coffers must be phrased in terms of voluntary support.

6. CORPORATE OFFICERS
(June 1978)

All officers of the Corporation shall be sustaining, contributing or patron members of the Society, and shall receive all Kingdom Newsletters (cost of such newsletters to be borne by the Corporation) while Corporate Officers of the Society. These officers are:

The Steward (President)
Deputy Steward (Vice President)
Chancellor of the Exchequer (Treasurer)
Laurel Sovereign of Arms
Marshal of the Society
Office of the Chronicler
Office of the Arts
Office of the Sciences
Society Chirurgeon General
Registrar of the Society
Clerk to the Board (Secretary)

The following additional functions and offices are so required to be sustaining, contributing or patron members of the Society, and shall also review all Kingdom Newsletters at Society expense:

Stock Clerk of the Society
Archivist of the Society
Editor of Tournaments Illuminated
Chroniclers of the Kingdom Newsletters
Kingdom Seneschals
The Board of Directors

Corporate officers who are required to submit reports to the Steward quarterly are:

Laurel Sovereign of Arms Marshal of the Society National Chronicler Office of the Arts Office of the Sciences Society Chirurgeon General

Further, all corporate officers shall submit a Domesday Report to the Board and the Steward. Failure of any Corporate Officer to submit said reports is tantamount to a resignation and may be accepted at the pleasure of their corporate superior.

7. PUBLICATION OF BOARD MEMBERS' AND CORPORATE OFFICERS' NAMES AND ADDRESSES (July 1978)

The Clerk of the Board shall regularly send an up-to-date list of the members of the Board of Directors and the Corporate Officers, including names, addresses, and phone numbers, to the Chroniclers of the Society for publication in all official publications of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated. This list shall include the ombudsman assignments of Directors to the various Kingdoms.

- 8. BOUNDARIES AND CHANGES TO BOUNDARIES (July 1978)
 - 1. The boundaries of a Kingdom or Principality must enclose a single, contiguous area except in the case of overseas possessions: "enclaves" in an area owing allegience to another group are to be avoided.
 - 2. Boundaries need not follow USA State Lines as long as the area comprising a Kingdom or Principality may be accurately and uniquely identified by its Postal Zip Codes.
 - 3. Boundaries between Kingdoms and/or Principalities may be adjusted by Petition to the Board of Directors by the Crowns, Coronets, or resident members of the areas affected by the petitioned adjustment.
 - 4. Any such boundary adjustment must conform to rules (A) and (B) above; must be acceptable to the Crowns and (if applicable) Coronets involved; and must not be substantively opposed by members resident in the areas whose ownership would be changed by the adjustment.
 - 5. Upon receipt of such a Petition, the Board of Directors shall request the Steward's Office to carry out such correspondence pd polling as necessary to ascertain if the above requirements are met, and to recommend to the Board the approval or disapproval of the Petition.
 - 6. Upon the approval by the Board of such an adjustment, the Steward shall notify the Office of the Registry of the boundary and Zip Code changes.
- 9. COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS (July 1978)
 - 1. All correspondence or documents comprising communications to the Board of Directors of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated, may be deemed public by the Board unless specifically stated otherwise by the author in the communication.
 - 2. Recognizing that there are good and sufficient reasons why members of the Society may wish to communicate privily with the Board of Directors, the Board will honour requests for privacy, or lack of further dissemination, and shall not treat any such communication as public without the prior knowledge and consent of the author.
 - 3. A communication to the Board of Directors must be read into, or received into, the minutes of a Board Meeting, before the Board may take direct action on that communication, or disseminate the communication further.
 - 4. Once a communication is read or received into the minutes of a Board meeting it comprises part of the minutes and public record of that meeting, and is available to interested members of the Society from the Clerk of the Board.
 - 5. A communication must be deemed public or the author's consent obtained to be introduced to the minutes. Even so, the Board reserves the right to decide whether a communication shall be received or read into the minutes.
 - 6. The Board shall not receive, consider nor act upon anonymous communications.

 RESIGNATION OF ORDERS CONFERRING PATENTS OF ARMS (February 1979)

Any holder of an Order conferring a Patent of Arms has the prerogative to resign as a member of that Order. As membership in any Order conferring a Patent of Arms is bestowed by the Crown, no "interchangeability" exists from one Order to another (ex. Knight to Master; Laurel to Pelican), and the acceptance of a person who has so resigned an Order into any other Order is solely at the discretion of the Crown according to the Laws and Customs of the Kingdom.

11. ESTABLISHMENT OF THE OFFICE OF MEDIC (February 1979)

The Board approves the establishment of the Office of Medic at the various levels of the Society for Creative Anachronism. The Marshallate is directed and authorized to assist in defining the office and its responsibilities. In the specific area of Medics, the Marshal of the Society is empowered to make interim policy until such time as the Board adopts a formal policy on Medics.

NOTE: This policy was superceded by the formal establishment in Corpora of the Society Chirurgeon General and the Kingdom Offices of Medics on June 8, 1980.

- 12. COMMUNICATIONS TO AND FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS (March 1979)
 - 1. The Clerk of the Board of Directors shall be the primary channel of communications to and from the Board of Directors.
 - 2. All communications to the Board of Directors should normally be sent to the Clerk for distribution to the Board to be placed upon the agenda of a Board meeting, or directly to the Board member charged as ombudsman for a specific Kingdom.
 - 3. If a Board member receives a communication as ombudsman for a particular Kingdom he or she should normally work with the Clerk in introducing the matter to the Board.
 - 4. The Clerk shall be responsible for the preparation and dissemination to Board members of meeting agendae and supportive documentation.
 - 5. The Clerk shall be responsible for the preparation and dissemination of minutes of all Board meetings to the Board of Directors, all Corporate officers, and all members receiving Board minutes.
 - 6. The Clerk shall be responsible for the distribution to all official publications of the Society of any decisions by the Board of Directors pertaining to the Corpora or By-Laws; of any proposals for such decisions which the Board of Directors wishes disseminated to the membership for comment; and of any other material which the Board of Directors feels should be published to the membership.
 - 7. The Clerk shall distribute such information to the Chronicler of the Society and to all Kingdom Chroniclers as rapidly as possible.

13. DEGRADATION FROM AN ORDER OF THE PEERAGE (June 1979)

It is the opinion of the Board of Directors of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated, that nothing prohibits a member of the Society who has been degraded from any order of the Peerage from subsequently being elevated to the Peerage in any Kingdom of the Society.

- 14. DISTRIBUTION OF THE BY-LAWS, CORPORA, AND GOVERNING AND POLICY DECISIONS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS (August 1979)
 - 1. Copies of the By-Laws, Corpora, Governing and Policy Decisions of the Board of Directors, the text of the Articles of Incorporation, and any subsequent changes to any of the above, shall be sent free of charge to:

All Corporate Officers
The Board of Directors
The Editor of Tournaments Illuminated
The Crowns of all Kingdoms
The Seneschals of all Kingdoms
The Chroniclers of all Kingdoms

- 2. Members of the Society may copy and distribute any parts of these documents to other members of the Society provided that no changes are made to the text and that copyright credit is given.
- 3. Copies of these documents shall always be available to members of the Society from the Clerk of the Board of Directors or the Stock Clerk of the Society.
- 4. Amendments, changes, additions or deletions to these documents shall always be sent to the Chroniclers for publication in all Official Publications of the Society in addition to being made to the copies of these documents available to the membership.
- 5. A nominal fee, sufficient to cover copy, handling and mailing costs, may be charged for copies of these documents.
- 15. KINGDOM LAW AS IT PERTAINS TO THE REVISED CORPORA (August 1979)
 - 1. The Revised Corpora has removed several items completely from the Corpora, as being more suitable to be established by Kingdom Law and Custom in the various Kingdoms of the Society, and/or internal procedures of the Corporate and Kingdom offices. The major areas where this is true are:

Courts (of all types, including Courts of Chivalry)
Ensuring the maintenance and succession of the Crown and Coronet
Procedures for Admission and Advancement of Subsidiary Groups
Territorial Baronies, Barons, and Baronesses
Patents of Arms for Royal Peerages and the C der of the Rose

2. The Crowns of all Kingdoms are requesed to initiate procedures to update Kingdom Law as required to ensure that these areas, and any others remanded to Kingdom Law by the Revised Corpora, are appropriately covered. The Board further requests that copies of Kingdom Law (and Principality Law, where appropriate) and any subsequent changes thereto, where such changes specifically affect the sections of Kingdom Law required to exist by the Corpora, be routinely sent to the Board of Directors.

- 3. The Board of Directors requests that the Crowns and Kingdoms implement such Kingdom Laws by the end of A.S. XIV; that is, by 30 April 1980. Until such laws have been passed, the currently established custom in each Kingdom shall apply; if no custom exists, any matter arising shall be remanded to the Steward and the Board of Directors for resolution.
- 16. FREEDOM OF KINGDOMS ON ISSUES NOT DEALT WITH BY THE CORPORA (August 1979)

The Corpora of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated, is intended as a framework; a matrix to define the structure of the medieval organization of the Society for Creative Anachronism. Where the Corpora is silent upon an issue, the Laws and Customs of the Kingoms prevail.

17. NON-INTERFERENCE WITH KINGDOMS (August 1979)

The Board of Directors will maintain a policy of non-interference with the Kingdoms, unless the By-Laws, Corpora or Governing Policy of the Society are violated, or the Board is requested to become involved in a Kingdom matter.

18. ADVANCEMENT OF BRANCHES INDEPENDENT OF PARENT BRANCHES (August 1979)

The Board of Directors may consider and approve an application for advancement of a branch within the Society independent of how such advancement may affect the status of the parent branch. Specifically, the Board may approve an advancement if the parent branch is left slightly deficient in requirements for a branch of its status, and may at the Board's discretion give the parent branch a "grace period" to correct any such problems.

- 19. COURTS IN THE SOCIETY FOR CREATIVE ANACHRONISM (August 1979)
 - 1. No Court of any type shall be established at the National Level of the Society. Any Courts within the Society are presumed to be within the medieval context of the Society and pertain only to conduct within the structure and definitions of the Society.
 - 2. Each Kingdom shall establish and maintain, according to Kingdom Law and custom, such courts as the Crown and the Kingdom find necessary for the maintenance and conduct of the Realm.
 - 3. The primary purpose for Courts within the Society is for the investigation of questions and issues, much as a "Commission" in the twentieth century; for opening communications on issues; and for the clarification of issues. Only secondarily are Courts considered to be for the purpose of "trying" members of the Society for alleged behaviour or incidents.
 - 4. No Court shall be held within any Kingdom of the Society on mundane issues or issues covered by mundane law, nor shall any recommer ation about individuals be made on such issues.
 - 5. When any recommendation for action is made to the Board of Directors pertaining to the discipline or treatment of members of the Society where such action is reserved to the Board of Directors, such recommendation should come from a duly constituted Court within the Kingdom making the recommendation.

- 6. The Board of Directors remains the ultimate level of appeal for all issues and all members of the Society.
- 20. ENFORCEMENT OF MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS FOR PARTICIPATION IN CROWN AND CORONET LISTS (August 1979)
 - 1. The Board recommends that the Kingdoms and Principalities ensure that all competitors in Crown or Coronet Lists are aware of the membership requirements for themselves and their prospective Consorts at the time that they register for participation in the Lists, and that each participant declare or take oath that they and the person for whom they are fighting are members of the Society such that the requirements of the Corpora are met.
 - 2. Although lists of Society members are available to Kingdom and Principality Heralds and Seneschals, the Board does not feel that it is necessary to require such lists to be checked before registering participants in Cown and Coronet Lists unless the individual Kingdoms and Principalities feel that such a step is necessary to ensure the compliance of their fighters.
 - 3. The Board recognizes that this requirement may be perceived as a hardship by some fighters in the Society. However, the Board feels that it is desirable to require that some demonstration of continuing support and concern for the Society have been made by those who wish to attempt to become Rulers of Society Branches, just as such support is required of those who are Officers of the Society at any level.
- 21. RAPIER FIGHTING IN THE SOCIETY FOR CREATIVE ANACHRONISM (September 1979)

The Board of Directors of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated, acknowledges period rapier combat as an ancillary activity of the Society when properly supervised by the Marshals and when approved by individual Kingdoms.

Rapier combat may take place within a Kingdom only by rules established by the Marshallate of that Kingdom and after the approval of those rules by the Marshal of the Society. The Board of Directors directs the Marshal of the Society to formulate guidelines for rapier combat within the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated.

Rapier combat, not having been part of formal tournament combat in the Middle Ages, shall not be a part of formal tournament lists for official ranks and titles.

- 22. RESIGNATION FROM AN ORDER OF THE PEERAGE (October, 1979)
 - It is the opinion of the Board of Directors that a resignation from an Order of the Peerage requires a written resignation to the Crown of the Kingdom, the Principal of the Order (if any), and the Board of Directors.
- 23. BANISHMENT (October, 1979)

It is the opinion of the Board of Directors that banishment by a Monarch of any subject has the effect of withholding recognition of the person's personas, honors, and titles, and of that person's active participation in Society events in that Kingdom for duration of that banishment or the reign of the Monarch.

24. ON NOTIFYING MONARCHS AND SENESCHALS ABOUT POLICY DECISIONS (December, 1979)

When the Board of Directors makes a decision that affects the Medieval structure of the Society, the Clerk shall write the Crowns, Seneschals, and concerned Corporate Officers by the end of the week in which the meeting occurs, relaying the substance of the decision.

25. AGREEMENT REGARDING THE FIGHTER'S HANDBOOK: (June 1980)

NOTE: This Agreement is printed as a Policy Decision since it establishes Policy for future agreements of this type.

- 1. <u>Printing</u>: The Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated, through the Chronicler's Office, will arrange for the printing of the <u>Fighter's Handbook</u>. The <u>Fighter's Handbook</u> shall be kept available in print so long as significant de land exists for it.
- 2. <u>Distribution</u>: The <u>Fighter's Handbook</u> will be distributed through the office of the Society Stock Clerk. Notice of availability of the <u>Fighter's Handbook</u> to the membership shall be made at least quarterly. This may be a simple listing of the <u>Fighter's Handbook</u> among other items available through the Stock Clerk. The Stock Clerk shall inform the Chronicler, the Marshal of the Society, and the author of the <u>Fighter's Handbook</u> at such times as stock on hand has diminished to the point that a new printing is advisable.
- 3. Revision: The contents of any printing or edition of the Frighter's Handbook is subject to the review and approval of the Board of Directors of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated. All sections which reflect the policies of the Society and its Kingdoms shall be revised prior to reprinting by the Marshal of the Society, in cooperation with the author, to reflect current practices, policies and standards. The author shall receive two copies of each printing or edition so revised.
- 4. Finances: Expenses for printing, shipping, packaging, and postage shall be deducted from the selling price for each volume of a printing on a pro-rata basis to determine the net profit from the sales of the Fighter's Handbook. The author shall donate 50% of net profits from sales of the Fighter's Handbook to the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated, and shall receive the remainder. Profits shall be accounted for and disbursed by the Society Chancellor of the Exchequer not less than quarterly. The author shall anually receive a receipt for the donated amount for each calendar year not later than January 30th of the following year.
- 26. POLICY ON CO-EXTANT BRANCHES (June 1980)

The Board of Directors recognizes the occasional need for branches co-extant territorially with existing branches of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated, such as educational institutions or military installations, traditionally exemplified by "Colleges" in the Society. Such branches need not meet all of the requirements for Subsidiary Branches, and shall report administratively to the local branch with which they are co-extant territorially. The establishment of such branches must conform to Section V.B of the Corpora, Establishment and Advancement of Branches of the Society for Creative Anachronism, except as provided herein.

27. POLICY ON MAGIC AND RELIGION (June 1980)

The Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated, shall neither establish nor prohibit any system of magic or religion among its members. No one shall perform any religious or magical ceremony at an official Society event or in association with the name of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated, in such a way as to:

- (a) Imply that the ceremony is officially authorized, sponsored, or promulgated by the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated;
- (b) Force participants or bystanders at a Society event, by direct or indirect pressure, to join the ceremony;
- (c) Perform the ceremony in such a location as to force others to participate or observe whether they will or no;
- (d) Cause religious, magical or psychi: effects upon those who do not wish to endure them;
- (e) Invoke supernatural powers or gods to the political or social benefit or detriment of any member of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated, of the Society as a whole, or of any of its parts or branches.

Except as provided herein, neither the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated, or any member acting in the name of the Society, or any of its parts or branches, shall interrupt or interfere with any other person's lawful ceremonies, nor shall an officer discriminate against any member of the Society upon religious, magical, or psychic grounds, and no member shall claim such interference without specific and objective evidence.

Nothing in these laws shall be construed to forbid the performance by competent representatives of religious, magical, or psychic groups or movements of ceremonies separate from an official event of the Society with the intention of benefiting the event and those gathered at it as a whole.

No combatant at an official Society event shall knowingly and deliberately use any amulet or artifice of magical, religious, or psychic nature to achieve thereby an advantage upon the field.

Recognition of official or unofficial religious, magical or psychic organizations or individuals by the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated, or any of its officers, parts, or branches shall not constitute acknowledgement of the religious, magical or psychic claims of such groups or individuals.

28. AVAILABILITY OF MAILING LISTS (June 1980)

Membership and subscriber information of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated, in any form or representation, including mailing lists, may not be copied, duplicated, or otherwise distributed or used internally or externally to the Society without the express written approval of the Board of Directors.

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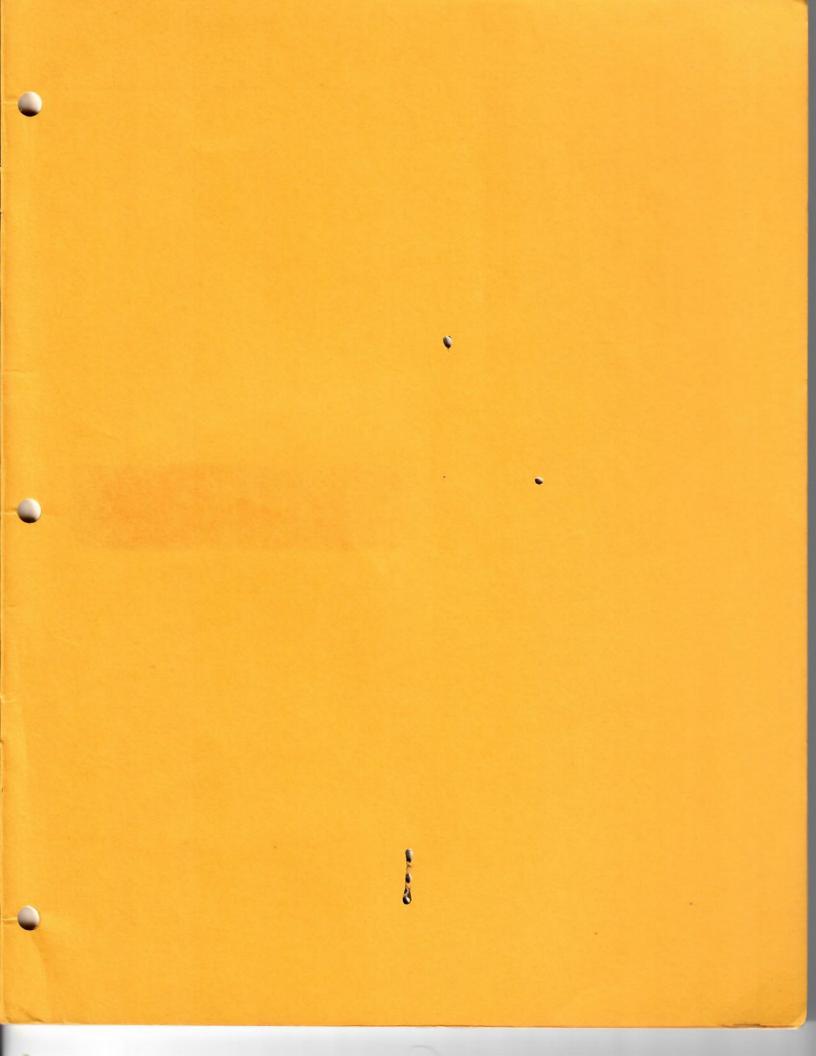
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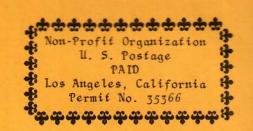
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