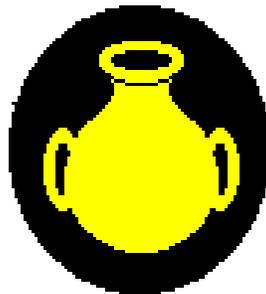


KINGDOM OF ARTEMISIA SCROLL TEXTS



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INTRODUCTION

Greetings unto all by whom these words do come.

This document is intended to serve as an addition to the Artemisian Scribes Handbook that was written during the early days of the Kingdom. Since then, the number of awards has increased, as well as the numbers of scribes. I heartily encourage you to look at the original handbook, as it is a source of great information.

In this document, you will find scroll texts for the awards given in the Kingdom. Please know that you are not required to use these texts word for word. As long as the pertinent information (i.e. the name of the Royalty, the name of the Award, the name of the recipient, and the date given) remains intact, you are encouraged to customize, or to write your own. I looked to other sources for inspiration, and modified texts that I found from some of those sources, as well as compiling texts from the original handbook. There are also many worthwhile period documents available on line that may serve as inspiration as well.

This document is a living document. If you have additions, corrections, or suggestions, or if you would like to write additional scroll texts for the next update, please contact the Sable Plume Clerk of the Signet.

In service to the Scribes of Artemisia,

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REGARDING SCROLL TEXTS FOR GRANT BEARING AND ARMIGEROUS AWARDS

There are a number of awards that state that they carry a Grant of Arms or Award of Arms with them. If the recipient does not already hold that award (Grant of Arms or Award of Arms), it may be bestowed along with the award. If this is the case, the award scroll must state that the recipient is receiving arms by Grant or Award. If the scroll text does not have these words in it, it is permissible to include that wording. If the recipient has registered heraldry, it is appropriate to include the blazon and emblazon as well. If you have questions about whether or not to include this information, please discuss this with the Royalty bestowing the award, or the Sable Plume Clerk of the Signet prior to starting the scroll.

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DUKE

An award given to the former Crown upon successful completion of their second reign. Dukes are entitled to wear a coronet with strawberry leaves, and to use a coronet in their arms and armoury.

Version 1

Know by these presents that We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of Artemisia, in recognition that Our subject <N> has twice reigned as King, do hereby acknowledge him Duke and do confirm to him the rank, style, title and privileges of that estate. And We do affirm his sole and exclusive right to bear Arms by Letters Patent [to wit: <blazon>]. By Our hands this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being <#> year of the Common Era.

Version 2

To all and singular do We, <K> and <Q>, by Right of Arms of the realm of Artemisia and of all Our territories King and Queen, send greeting. In recognition of Our subject <N>, who by his valor and skill at arms has twice ruled as King in Our realm, do We now elevate him to the rank and station of Duke. We now further affirm his right to bear arms by Letters Patent without let or hindrance [said arms herein more plainly described and depicted to wit: <blazon>] In witness whereof We set Our hands this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being <#> Gregorian.

Version 3 (Modified from an Aethelmearc text)

Be it known unto all to whom these presents come that <N>, having by his great courage and prowess at arms twice won the Crown of Artemisia, being first crowned on <date of 1st coronation> and again upon <date of 2nd coronation> and therefore having twice reigned as Sovereign, has thereby earned the right to the title and estate of a Duke of Our realm. Therefore do We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen, most joyfully invest him as Duke <1st N> with all of the rights, dignities and honors pertaining thereunto. In witness whereof, We have set Our hands this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being <#> year of the Common Era.

Version 4

Unto all nobles and gentles throughout the Known world, We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of Artemisia, send greeting. Henceforth, <N> shall be known as Duke, having borne the burden of Kingship twice. [Furthermore, We confirm his right to bear <blazon>]. We here charge Duke <1st N> to uphold the dignity of this station. He shall hold this rank from this day to the end of his days. In testimony whereof We have signed these Letters Patent this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being <#> Gregorian.

Version 5

As is in accord with what is meet and proper, let all know throughout the land that We, <K> and <Q>, Sovereign King and Queen of Artemisia, in rightful succession of <previous K> and <previous Q>, in recognition that Our loyal subject <N> has twice served as King of this realm, offering his valorous skills in battle and giving of his wisdom in council and in court, are pleased to invest him as Duke. Further, We confirm by these Royal Letters Patent his right to bear arms [<blazon>]. He shall from this day on be known by his coronet embellished with strawberry leaves, and his counsel shall be weighted as befits one who has twice borne the honors, privileges and duties as are assigned one of such rank within this Kingdom. In affirmation of his investiture of Duke, We have this day set Our hands to this document. Proclaimed this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being <#> year of the Common Era.

DUCHESS

An award given to the former Crown upon successful completion of their second reign. Duchesses are entitled to wear a coronet with strawberry leaves, and to use a coronet in their arms and armoury.

Version 1

Know by these presents that We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of Artemisia, in recognition that Our subject <N> has twice reigned as Queen of Our realm, do hereby acknowledge her Duchess and do confirm to her the rank, style, title and privileges of that estate. And We do affirm her sole and exclusive right to bear Arms by Letters Patent [to wit: <blazon>]. By Our Hands this <#> day of <month> in the <#> year of the Society, being <#> by the Gregorian calendar.

Version 2

To all who may read these letters do We, <K> and <Q>, by Right of Arms of the realm of Artemisia and of all Our territories King and Queen, give greeting. Whereas Our subject <N> has twice ruled as Queen of Our realm by the valor and skill of her champion, it is Our pleasure to elevate her to the rank and station of Duchess. We do further affirm her right to bear arms by Letters Patent in the Society for Creative Anachronism without let or hindrance [said arms herein more plainly described and depicted to wit: <blazon>]. In witness whereof We set Our hands this <#> day of <month> in the <#> year of the Society, being <#> by the common reckoning.

Version 3

As is in accord with what is meet and proper, let all know throughout the land that We, <K> and <Q>, Sovereign King and Queen of Artemisia, in rightful succession of <Previous K> and <Previous Q>, in recognition that Our loyal subject <N> has twice served as Queen in Our realm, offering her grace and patience to all, and giving of her wisdom in council and in Court, are pleased to invest her as Duchess. We affirm by these Royal Letter Patent her right to bear arms: <blazon>. She shall from this day on be known by her coronet embellished with strawberry leaves and her counsel shall be weighed as befits one who has twice borne the Crown of Artemisia, as which she represents stands for all to see as that singular honor for which chivalry exists. In affirmation of her investiture as Duchess, We have, this <#> day of <month> in the <#> year of the Society, set Our hands to this document.

Version 4 (Modified from an Aethelmearc text)

Let it be known to all and sundry that <N>, having twice reigned over these Gryphon lands, being first crowned on <date of 1st Coronation> and again upon <date of 2nd Coronation>, and having borne the mantle of consort with dignity and grace, has thereby earned the esteemed and worthy title of Duchess of Our realm. We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of Artemisia, most joyfully invest her as Duchess with all of the rights, dignities and honors pertaining thereunto. In witness whereof, We have set Our hands this <#> day of <month> in the <#> year of the Society, while in Our lands of <group name>.

COUNT

An award given to the former Crown upon successful completion of their first reign. The general requirements for Peerage must also be met. This is a Royal Peerage. This award carries with it a Patent of Arms. Counts are entitled to wear an embattled coronet, and to use a coronet in their arms and armoury.

Version 1

Know all gentles by these presents that We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of Artemisia, in recognition that Our subject <N> by his valor and skill on the field of honor has once reigned as King of Our realm do hereby acknowledge him Count. We hereby affirm his right to bear <the following> arms by Letters Patent in the Society for Creative Anachronism <to wit: blazon>. In witness whereof We set Our hands this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> in the common reckoning.

Version 2 (Modified from an Outlands text)

We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of Artemisia, to all and singular send greetings. Whereas <N> has, as a result of his great valor on the field of honor, ruled once as King of this realm, We do this day acknowledge him a Count. We hereby elevate by these Letters Patent those arms previously granted <to wit: blazon> for his sole and unique use throughout the lands of the Known World as a symbol of his high rank. By Our decree this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> by the Gregorian calendar.

Version 3 (Modified from an Aethelmearc text)

All shall know that <N>, having by his valor, skill, and strength of arm, won the Crown of Artemisia, and having reigned as Sovereign thereof [from <date of Coronation> to <date of successor's Coronation>] has earned this day the honorable and worthy estate of Count. Therefore do We, <K> and <Q>, Monarchs of these lands, recognize him as Count with all the rights, honors and dignities appertaining thereto, most especially the right to bear arms by Letters Patent [blazoned <blazon>]. Done by Us this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> in the common reckoning.

Version 4 (Modified from an Outlands text)

Be it known unto all that We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of Artemisia, in rightful succession to <past K> and <past Q>, send Greetings. In recognition that Our loyal subject <N> has once served as King of this realm, offering his valorous skills at combat and given of his wisdom in council and in court, We are pleased to invest him as Count, to bear all rights and responsibilities of this high rank. We do hereby elevate by Letters Patent those arms previously granted [by the College of Heraldry to wit: <blazon>] for his sole and unique use throughout the lands of the Known World. Done by Our hands this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> of the Gregorian calendar.

Version 5 (Modified from a Middle Kingdom text)

All gentles and nobles know by these presents that We, <K>, King by Right of Arms of Artemisia, and <Q>, Our Queen, in rightful succession to <previous K> and <previous Q>, and mindful of the excellent manner in which <N> has served this realm, giving of his valiant efforts in battle and of his wisdom in council, are most pleased to acknowledge him as Count. He shall be known by his coronet, embattled, and his counsel shall be weighed as befits one who has borne the Crown of the Kingdom of Artemisia. So done by Our decree this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> of the Gregorian calendar.

COUNTESS/LADY OF THE ROSE

An award given to the former consorts upon successful completion of their first reign. The general requirements for Peerage must also be met. This is a Royal Peerage. This award carries with it a Patent of Arms. Countesses are entitled to wear an embattled coronet, and to use a coronet in their arms and armoury. Members of the Order of the Rose may use wreaths of roses in their arms and armoury. They are specifically charged with encouraging courteous and chivalrous behavior among all members of the Society.

Version 1

Know all gentles by these presents that We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of Artemisia, in recognition that Our subject <N> by the valor and skill of her champion and by her own grace and inspiration has once reigned as Queen of Our realm do hereby acknowledge her Countess and Lady of the Rose. We hereby affirm her right to bear <the following> arms by Letters Patent in the Society for Creative Anachronism <to wit: blazon>. In witness whereof We set Our hands this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> in the common reckoning.

Version 2 (Modified from an Outlands text)

We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of Artemisia, to all and singular send greetings. Whereas <N> has ruled once as Queen of this realm, We do this day acknowledge her a Countess. We hereby elevate by these Letters Patent those arms previously granted <to wit: blazon> for her sole and unique use throughout the lands of the Known World as a symbol of her high rank. Furthermore it is Our will that she be welcomed into the Order of the Rose as an example of those noble virtues embodied by Queens of Artemisia. By Our decree this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> by the Gregorian calendar.

Version 3 (Modified from an Aethelmearc text)

Be it known to all unto whom these presents come that <N>, having inspired her champion to win for her the Crown of Artemisia, and having reigned as consort thereof [from <date of Coronation> to <date of successor's Coronation>] has earned this day the honorable and worthy estate of Countess. Therefore do We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of Artemisia, recognize her as Countess and Lady of the Rose with all the rights, honors and dignities appertaining thereto, most especially the right to bear arms by Letters Patent [blazoned <blazon>]. Done this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> in the common reckoning.

Version 4 (Modified from an Outlands text)

Be it known unto all that We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of Artemisia, in rightful succession to <past K> and <past Q>, send Greetings. In recognition that Our loyal subject <N> has once served as Queen of this realm, offering her grace and courtesy to all and given of her wisdom in council and in court, We are pleased to invest her as Countess, to bear all rights and responsibilities of this high rank. We do hereby elevate by Letters Patent those arms previously granted [by the College of Heraldry to wit: <blazon>] for her sole and unique use throughout the lands of the Known World. Furthermore, it is Our will that she be welcomed into the Order of the Rose as an example of the noble virtues embodied by the Queens of Artemisia. Done by Our hands this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> of the Gregorian calendar.

Version 5 (Modified from a Middle Kingdom text)

All gentles and nobles know by these presents that We, <K>, King by Right of Arms of Artemisia, and <Q>, Our Queen, in rightful succession to <previous K> and <previous Q>, and mindful of the excellent manner in which <N> has served this realm, giving of her beauty and nobility and of her

wisdom in council, are most pleased to acknowledge her as Countess and Lady of the Rose. She shall be known by her coronet, embattled, and her counsel shall be weighed as befits one who has borne the Crown of the Kingdom of Artemisia. So done by Our decree this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> of the Gregorian calendar.

LAUREL

An award given for outstanding arts and sciences ability and the teaching of arts and sciences skills. The general requirements for Peerage must also be met. This award carries with it a Patent of Arms. Members of the Order of the Laurel may wear a wreath of laurel.

Version 1

Know all gentles by these presents that We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of Artemisia, having elevated Our subject <N> to the Order of the Laurel, do therefore bestow upon <him/her> a Patent of Arms. Having commanded Our heralds to devise a unique and suitable blazon, We do hereby Grant unto <him/her> <Blazon>. Henceforth, <he/she> shall have the sole and exclusive right to bear these arms by Letters Patent in the Society for Creative Anachronism. In witness whereof, We set Our hand this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> Gregorian, while in Our Court at <event> in Our <Group>.

Version 2

To all and singular do We, <K> and <Q>, by Right of Arms of the Realm of Artemisia and all Our territories King and Queen, send Greetings. Whereas it is Our pleasure to recognize the exceptional service of and elevate Our subject <N>, upon whom has been conferred <list all awards in precedence order> to the most noble Order of the Laurel, We do hereby grant unto <him/her> the following ensigns armorial by Letters Patent: <blazon>. Henceforth <he/she> shall have the sole and exclusive right to bear these arms to use and show forth without let or hindrance. Done by Our Will this <#> day of <month> in the <#> year of the Society, being the year <#> Gregorian.

Version 3 (Modified from an An Tir Text)

To all an singular unto whom these presents shall come, <K> and <Q>, undoubted Monarchs of the Sovereign Lands of Artemisia, bid you greetings. In acknowledgement of <his/her> untiring and selfless devotion to the arts and sciences and after consultation with the members of the Order, We hereby elevate Our subject <N> to the most ancient and noble Order of the Laurel and affirm by these Letters Patent the right to bear the following arms: <Blazon>. This We have done this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> Gregorian, while in Our Court at <event> in Our <Group>.

Version 4 (Modified from an Outlands Text)

<K>, King by right of arms King of Artemisia, and <Q>, our Queen and Patroness of the Arts, give greetings to all who come by these presents. Know ye that We, in consideration of the singular noble virtues and accomplishments, alike in courtesy and honor as in knowledge and artifice, of Our subject <N> do hereby prefer and create <him/her> as a <Master/Mistress> of the right noble Order of the Laurel. We are further pleased to elevate and affirm by these Letters Patent those arms previously granted to wit: <blazon> for the sole and exclusive use of <Master/Mistress> <1st N> throughout the lands of the Known World. In witness whereof, We set Our hand this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> by the Common Reckoning.

Version 5 (Modified from a Middle Kingdom text)

Proclaim throughout Our realm that We, <K>, King by Right of Arms of Artemisia, and <Q>, Our Queen of Love and Beauty, in consideration of the excellence and expertise in the <arts/sciences> [of <skill>] and the generosity of spirit with which <he/she> has shared with Our society, do create and advance <N> to the title and degree of <Master/Mistress> of the Most Noble Order of the Laurel, to be in all places of honor numbered a peer of Our realm, with all rights, privileges, insignia, precedence, and responsibilities thereto appertaining, and furthermore do We confirm unto <him/her> by Letters Patent the right to bear <blazon> as arms without let or hindrance from any person. Done this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> by the Common Reckoning.

PELICAN

An award given for long and devoted outstanding service to the kingdom and the Society. The general requirements for Peerage must also be met. This award carries with it a Patent of Arms. Members of the Order of the Pelican may wear a chapeau, and may use a chapeau or pelican in its piety or pelican vulning itself in their arms and armoury.

Version 1

Know all gentles by these presents that We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of Artemisia, having elevated Our subject <N> to the Order of the Pelican, do therefore bestow upon <him/her> a Patent of Arms. Having commanded Our heralds to devise a unique and suitable blazon, We do hereby Grant unto <him/her> <Blazon>. Henceforth, <he/she> shall have the sole and exclusive right to bear these arms by Letters Patent in the Society for Creative Anachronism. In witness whereof, We set Our hand this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> Gregorian, while in Our Court at <event> in Our <Group>.

Version 2

To all and singular do We, <K> and <Q>, by Right of Arms of the Realm of Artemisia and all Our territories King and Queen, send Greetings. Whereas it is Our pleasure to recognize the exceptional service of and elevate Our subject <N>, upon whom has been conferred <list all awards in precedence order> to the most noble Order of the Pelican, We do hereby grant unto <him/her> the following ensigns armorial by Letters Patent: <blazon>. Henceforth <he/she> shall have the sole and exclusive right to bear these arms to use and show forth without let or hindrance. Done by Our Will this <#> day of <month> in the <#> year of the Society, being the year <#> Gregorian.

Version 3

Proclaim unto all Artemisia that We, <K> and <Q>, Monarchs of these Laurel Lands, are well pleased with the outstanding service given unto Us and Our Realm[especially as <specific office or endeavor>] by <N>. In recognition of these selfless works, We are minded to elevate <him/her> to the Order of the Pelican, bestowing upon <him/her> these Arms by Letters Patent to wit: <Blazon>. Done in accordance with Our Decree on this <#> day of <month> in the <#> year of the Society, known by common reckoning as the year <#>

Version 4 (Modified from an An Tir Text)

To all and singular unto whom these presents shall come, <K> and <Q>, undoubted Monarchs of the Sovereign Lands of Artemisia, bid you greetings. In acknowledgement of <his/her> untiring and selfless devotion to the welfare of Our Kingdom and after consultation with the members of the Order, We hereby elevate Our subject <N> to the most ancient and noble Order of the Pelican and affirm by these Letters Patent the right to bear the following arms: <Blazon>. This We have done this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> Gregorian, while in Our Court at <event> in Our <Group>.

Version 5 (Modified from an Outlands text)

<K>, by Right of Arms King of Artemisia, and <Q>, Our Queen and Patroness of the Courtly Graces, give Greetings unto all who come by these presents. Know ye that We, in consideration of the noble virtues and accomplishments, alike in courtesy and honor as in distinguished service, of Our subject <N> do hereby prefer and create <him/her> as a <Master/Mistress> of the Right Noble Order of the Pelican. We are further pleased to elevate and affirm by these Letters Patent those arms previously granted by the College of Arms to wit: <blazon>, which shall be held by <Master/Mistress> <First Name> for <his/her> sole and exclusive use as We have commanded it to be described and depicted

here. In witness whereof, We set Our hand this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> Gregorian, while in Our Court at <event> in Our <Group>.

Version 6 (Modified from an Aethelmearc text)

Be it known unto all whom these presents do come that We, <K> and <Q>, Rex and Regina Artemisia, knowing well the extraordinary service done on behalf of Our Realm by <N>, who has, by <his/her> sacrifices and labors [as <office/specific service>] greatly improved the lot of Our subjects, and hearing the many voices lifted in praise, do most joyfully welcome <him/her> into Our esteemed Order of the Pelican that all may know the high esteem in which We hold <him/her>. Furthermore do We bestow upon <Master/Mistress> <1st Name> the sole right throughout the Known World to these Arms by Letters Patent: <blazon> as a further token of Our esteem. In witness whereof, We set Our hand this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> Gregorian, while in Our Court at <event> in Our <Group>.

CHIVALRY

An award given for excellence in the fighting arts and the teaching of those skills. This Order is divided into two equal parts: Knighthood and Mastery of Arms. Knights are required to swear fealty to the Crown of their kingdom during the knighting ceremony, while Masters of Arms may choose whether or not to do so. The general requirements for Peerage must also be met. This award carries with it a Patent of Arms. Knights may wear a closed loop of chain, a white belt, and spurs. They may use closed loops of chain and white belts in their arms and armoury. Masters of Arms may wear a white baldric, and may use a white baldric in their arms and armoury.

Version 1

Deliver these words to Our people that all may know the will of <K name> and <Q name>. It is Our prerogative as Sovereigns of the Kingdom of Artemisia, to elevate those of Our subjects who have distinguished themselves through their courtesy, chivalry and prowess upon the field of honour. Therefore let <N> henceforth be known as a peer of the realm. We charge Our subject with all the privileges and burdens of this rank as well as a Patent of Arms. [and grant these arms by letters Patent to wit: <blazon>] In token, whereof We have hereto set Our hand and affixed Our Great Seal on this <#> th day of <month> Anno Societatis <#>, being <#> AD.

Version 2

Know all men by these presents that We, <K> and <Q>, <by right of arms> King and Queen of Artemisia, having elevated Our subject <N> to the rank of <Knight/Master at arms/Mistress at arms> in recognition of <his/her> chivalry and prowess upon the field of honor, and do hereby grant <him/her> a Patent of Arms. **[if previously armigerous]** We affirm <his/her> <sole/unique> and exclusive right to bear the following Arms throughout the Knowne World, that is to say <BLAZON> by Letters Patent.

[If not previously armigerous] Having commanded Our heralds to devise a suitable Blazon, We do hereby grant unto <him /her> <Blazon> by Letters Patent. Henceforth <he/she> shall have the <sole/unique> and exclusive right to bear these arms in the Knowne World. In witness whereof we hereto set Our hand and seal this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> Gregorian.

Version 3

Let it be known to all nobles and gentles herein assembled and to all whom these presents come that on this day, We, <K> King and <Q>, Queen of the sovereign kingdom of Artemisia do acknowledge the chivalry and martial prowess of <N> and do confer upon <him/her> the accolade of <Knight/hood/Mastery of Arms> and do elevate him/her to the most honourable rank of <Knight/Master of Arms> in the Knowne World. We hereby grant <Sir/Master/Mistress> <N> the sole and exclusive right to bear <blazon> by Letters Patent. In acknowledgement of this and by Royal Prerogative, we set Our Hand and Seal this <#> day of <month> Anno Societatis <#> being <#> Anno Domini.

GRANT OF ARMS

Version 1

Know all by these presents that We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of Artemisia, having determined to give a Grant of Arms to Our subject, <N>, for <his/her> service to Our realm, do hereby affirm <his/her> <sole/unique> and exclusive right to bear <blazon>. In witness whereof, We set Our hands this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#> being the year <#> in the Common Era.

Version 2

<Be it known/Let it be known/Know all gentles> by these present letters that We, <K>, King by Right of Arms of this Sovereign realm of Artemisia, and <Q>, Our Queen, in keeping with the duties and privileges accorded to the rulers of Our Kingdom here bestow upon <N> a Grant of Arms and confer upon <him/her> all the honors, privileges, and responsibilities inherent thereunto. [In recognition of this We grant unto <him/her> the sole and exclusive right to bear without hindrance these arms:<blazon>]. Done at Our <group> this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#> being the year <#> in the Common Era.

Version 3

Attend all gentle persons and nobles unto whom these presents shall come, for <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of Artemisia, send commendations and greetings. Our subject, <N>, hath pleased Us greatly by <his/her> service to Our Realm, [most especially in <area of service/office held>]. We choose to hereby honor <him/her> with a Grant of Arms and hereby affirm <his/her> right to bear <blazon> in the Society for Creative Anachronism. In token and witness whereof We have set Our hands this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#> being the year <#> in the Common Era.

Version 4

Right mindful of the excellence of many tasks performed by <N> in service to the Crown and Kingdom, We, <K>, by right of arms sovereign King of Artemisia and <Q>, Our gracious Queen, do commend <his/her> efforts and acknowledge their worth. Therefore do We, from this day henceforth, grant <him/her> the right to bear <blazon> without let or hindrance from any person in accordance with the laws and traditions of Our Kingdom. In affirmation, We set Our hands this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#> being the year <#> by the Gregorian calendar.

Version 5 (Modified from an Aethelmearc text)

In accord with all that is proper attend and bear witness. Since those things which are done lapse with the passage of time, and unless they are supported by written testimony, will easily slip the memories of the people, We wish it to be known to all, both now and in the future, that We, <K> and <Q>, Monarchs of all Artemisia, knowing well the value of the service of <N> [especially <his/her> efforts <in/as> <office/reason>] hereby Grant unto <him/her> [these arms: <blazon>/arms to be selected in consultation with Our Heralds.] We have strengthened this appointment of Ours, corroborating it in writing as witnessed by those assembled at <event> this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#> being the year <#> in the Common Era.

Version 6 (Modified from an Aethelmearc text)

Know ye all and sundry that We, <K>, King of Artemisia, and <Q>, our Queen, recognizing the worth of Our well beloved and faithful <N>, who has served Us well [as <reason for award>] do give unto <him/her> this Grant of Arms [to wit: <blazon>] and <he/she> shall have the sole and exclusive right to these arms throughout the Known World without let or hindrance. By Our hand at <event> in Our <group> on this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#> being the year <#> by the common reckoning.

KEY CROSS

An award given for excellence in arts and sciences and the teaching of those skills. This award carries with it a Grant of Arms. The symbol for this award is: (Fieldless) A key cross conjoined in pale to a key inverted sable. (This award was originally named "The Order of the Sable Keys in Cross.")

Version 1 (Modified from an Outlands text)

We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of fair Artemisia, send greetings to all. From great work cometh great beauty, so the arts of Artemisia grow only by the strong labor, fine skills, and dedicated teaching of Our artisans. One such is Our trusty <N>. It is meet and fitting that We prefer and create <him/her>, by Grant of Arms, a Companion of the Order of the Key Cross. [The College of Arms, having approved <blazon> for <his/her> sole and unique use, the Honorable <Lord/Lady> <N> shall bear said arms as a sign of Our high favor.] In witness whereof, We have set Our hand this <#> day of <month> in the <#> year of Our society, being the year <#> in the common reckoning of years.

Version 2 (Modified from an Outlands text)

We, <K>, by Right of Arms King, and <Q>, by grace and courtesy Queen of fair Artemisia, send due commendations and greetings to all good gentles and nobility to whom these present letters shall come. It is the great duty and privilege of the Crown to recognize those whose skill, knowledge and teaching of the arts increases the glory and beauty of Artemisia. By the report and testimony of Our counselors and by Our own certain knowledge, We are truly advised and informed that <N> has long pursued good works and deeds of virtue and enriched Our realm through <his/her> practice of the <art/arts> [of <specific art>]. We therefore do publicly commend and elevate <him/her>, by Grant of Arms, as a Companion of the Key Cross [and bestow upon <him/her> these arms: <blazon> to be borne by the Honorable <Lord/Lady> <1st N> and none other in all the lands of the Known World. Done in accordance with Our will this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#> being the year <#> by the Gregorian calendar.

Version 3 (Modified from an Aethelmearc text)

Be it known that We, <K>, King of Artemisia, and <Q>, Our Queen and Patroness of the Arts, have long observed the activity in the <art/arts> [of <particular skill>] of Our most noble servant <N> and know <him/her> to be worthy of recognition and advancement for the improvements caused in Our realm by <his/her> tireless efforts. Therefore do We create <him/her> a Companion of Our Order of the Key Cross by these letters. In further recognition of <his/her> achievements do We grant unto <him/her> arms [to wit: <blazon>/to be chosen without let or hindrance from any person]. Given this <#> day of <month> in the <#> year of the Society, being the year <#> Gregorian, at <event> in Our <group>.

Version 4 (Modified from a Calontir text written by Andrixos)

Glorious art, in elevating beauty to highest form, does ennoble all who come within its reach, both viewer and patron. But art does most benefit those who toil long hours in the pursuit of skill and expertise. Know that We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of Artemisia and First Patrons of the Arts and Sciences have been made aware of and have with Our own eyes seen the accomplishments of Our subject <N> and recognize <his/her> fine talent in the <arts/art> [of <specific skill>]. As is meet for such a subject We do enter <him/her> into the ranks of Our Order of the Key Cross, and confirm unto <him/her> Arms by Grant <to wit: blazon>. We also confer to the recipient right to the titles and responsibilities appertaining to such an elevation throughout Our Reign and those of Our successors. Signed by Our hand this <#> day of <month> in the <#> year of the Society, being the year <#> Gregorian, in Our Holdings of <group>.

Version 5 (Modified from a Calontir text written by Sherry Foxwell)

We, <K> and <Q>, Monarchs of Artemisia, have observed the fine labors of <N>. It is clear from <his/her> many works [in <specific arts>], that <he/she> is deserving of notice. We address Our people and exhort their attention to <his/her> works. We determine that all know and remember <his/her> name and skill because such diligence and craftsmanship must be rewarded. It is Our mind that <N> be granted an Order of the Key Cross, to hold all right, all merit, and all privilege thereto. [Furthermore <he/she> shall have the right to bear <blazon> by Grant of Arms.] This is Our will, done and signed by Our names on the <#> day of <month>, the year <#> of the Society, at the Court of <event name> in <group name>.

Version 6 (Modified from a Calontir text written by Hyrim de Guillon)

Let the word go forth among Our subjects gathered in Our Court this <#> day of <month> in the <#> year of our Society, and let these tidings go forth unto all the lands under Our writ: We, <Q>, merciful patroness of the arts <and sciences>, Queen of Artemisia, and <K>, by right of arms, King of Artemisia, ever desiring to augment and honor those whose noble works enrich Our realm, now commend <N> before Our court. Well pleased are We by the skill and diligence shown by <him/her> in the gentle <art/arts> [of <specific area of specialty>]. By <his/her> labor and sacrifice, the beauty and renown of Our realm are enhanced. In recognition of these efforts, We invite <N> to assume <his/her> rightful place among the members of Our noble Order of the Key Cross [and to bear the arms <blazon> by Our Grant]. Let none contest Us in this matter for this is Our will.

GOLDEN SUN IN SPLENDOR

An award given for long and steady service to the kingdom and/or groups within it. This award carries with it a Grant of Arms. The symbol for this award is: (Fieldless) A sun in splendour within and conjoined to an annulet Or. (This award was originally named "The Order of the Sable Sun in Splendour.")

Version 1

We, <K> and <Q>, Monarchs unchallenged of the Sovereign Realm of Artemisia, send greetings to all. Finding Ourselves in receipt of many good reports of the fruitful and honorable works of Our subject <N>, We, not only by the common renown but also by Our own certain knowledge, elevate <him/her> by Grant of Arms as a Companion of the Order of the Golden Sun in Splendor. We do hereby bestow upon <him/her> the following arms: <blazon> to be borne and displayed by the Honorable <Lord/Lady> <1st Name> and none other in all the lands of the Known World. Done this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <year> being the year <#> in the Common Era.

Version 2

To all unto whom these letters come, pay heed to the words of <K>, most noble King of Artemisia, and <Q>, our gracious Queen. The Order of the Golden Sun in Splendor was established to recognize and honor those who have given exemplary service to Our realm. This self-sacrifice and dedication contribute to the good of all and make everyone's burden easier to bear. Thus it does please Us to honor <N> for <his/her> exemplary service by creating <him/her> a Companion of this Noble Order and further grant unto <him/her> arms [to wit: <blazon>]. Decreed by Our Word and attested to below by Our Royal Hand this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <year> being the year <#> Gregorian.

Version 3 (Modified from an Aethelmearc text)

Know ye all that Our good and noble <N> has labored long and hard for the benefit of Our kingdom [most especially <as/for> <reason>]. Therefore, by Our wish, We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of Artemisia, do induct <him/her> into Our Order of the Golden Sun in Splendor [and further grant unto <him/her> the exclusive right to bear the arms <blazon>]. In witness whereof, We set Our hand this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <year> being the year <#> in the Common Era.

Version 4 (Modified from an An Tir text)

Proclaim to all gentles and nobles throughout the Known World that <N>, having served Our realm with great devotion [especially in <reason>] doth greatly deserve reward. Therefore, We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of the Sovereign Kingdom of Artemisia, are minded to admit <him/her> to the Right Noble Order of the Golden Sun in Splendor. [Further We do honor <him/her> with a Grant of Arms and do grant unto <him/her> the sole and exclusive right to bear <blazon>]. We acknowledge this by setting here Our hand this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <year> being the year <#> in the Common Era.

Version 5 (Modified from an Outlands text)

Proclaim unto all gentles and nobles and let it be known by these present letters that We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of Artemisia, send due commendations and greetings. We hope not only to embellish but increase the dignity of Artemisia when We dispense titles of honor among noble, discreet and valiant persons. Wherefore We have directed the regard of Our consideration to <N> who has rendered to Us and Our Kingdom not only useful but honorable service. Hence We do prefer and create <him/her> by Grant of Arms a Companion of the Golden Sun in Splendor. The College of Arms, having approved <blazon> for <his/her> use, the Honorable <Lord/Lady> shall bear these arms as a

sign of Our favor. Done in accordance with Our will this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <year> being the year <#> in the Common Era.

Version 6 (Modified from a Calontir text)

As it is Our duty and privilege to show honor unto those within the realm who selflessly give of their time and talents, do We, <K> and <Q>, rightful and just monarchs of Artemisia show Our pleasure with <N> for <his/her> dedication to Crown and Kingdom [by <specific reason>]. We proudly proclaim <him/her> to be called a Companion within Our Order of the Golden Sun in Splendor. Elevation to this Order shall confer a Grant of Arms and shall entitle <him/her> to all rights, titles and privileges which are commensurate [specifically these Arms: <blazon>]. In recognition whereof, We have set Our hand this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <year> being the year <#> in the Common Era.

Version 7 (Modified from a Calontir text)

Great are the achievements of art and arms, science and bow, but all bow down in recognition of the accomplishments of duty performed in service to the realm. So well has Our subject <N> served to further the goals of Our realm and society that We, <K> and <Q>, crowned King and Queen of the Laurel Lands of Artemisia do name <him/her> as a companion of Our Order of the Golden Sun in Splendor. With this elevation We do confirm to the recipient their Arms by Grant [to wit: <blazon>]. Proclaimed on Our Court this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> Gregorian.

Version 8 (Modified from a Middle Kingdom text)

Unto all whom these present letters come, know that We, <K>, King by Right of Arms, and <Q>, our Queen of Love and Beauty, send Greetings. As We know that the treasure of a Kingdom lies in its future leaders, so do We know that such a treasure is before Us in the person of <N>. In recognition of <his/her> good service to the Kingdom of Artemisia, it is fitting that We honor <him/her> by naming <him/her> a companion of the Order of the Golden Sun in Splendor and further Grant unto <him/her> Arms [to wit: <blazon>]. Proclaimed at Our Court within Our <group> this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> Gregorian.

DEFENDER OF THE CITADEL

An award given for excellence in fighting and the teaching of fighting skills. This award carries with it a Grant of Arms. The symbol for this award is: Or, a tower between three mullets sable.

Version 1

One and all, hear these words. We, <K>, King of Artemisia, and <Q>, Queen and Noble Inspiration, send greetings. On many occasions, We have witnessed the courtesy, valor, and prowess of <N>. In recognition of these qualities, We name <him/her> Defender of the Citadel. By this Grant, We affirm <his/her> right to bear arms [to wit: <blazon>] and We encourage <him/her> to continue <his/her> good works on and off the field of combat. In testimony whereof, We have set Our hand this <#> day of <month>, anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> by the Gregorian calendar.

Version 2 (Modified from an Outlands text)

We, <K>, by right of arms, King, and <Q>, by grace and courtesy, Queen of all Artemisia, send due commendations and Greetings to all gentles and nobles. Equity wills and reason ordains that <men/women> virtuous and of noble courage, by their abilities in combat and good renown, be rewarded by certain ensigns and demonstrations of honor, nobility and courtesy. Wherefore, We publicly commend <N> and hereby elevate <him/her>, by Grant of Arms, a Defender of the Citadel. [We further grant <him/her> the sole right and title to the following Arms: <blazon> to be borne without let or hindrance from any person.] Done by Our hand this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> in the Common Era.

Version 3 (Modified from an Outlands Text)

Heralds shall proclaim that We, <K>, Sovereign of mighty Artemisia, and <Q>, Our chosen Queen, send Greetings unto all. Right mindful of the exceptional skill at arms and courage in battle shown by Our subject <N>, We are pleased to recognize <him/her> as a Defender of the Citadel. As is in accordance with Our will, <he/she> shall bear, by Grant of Arms, sole right and title to the following arms: <blazon> to be borne and displayed by the Honorable <Lord/Lady> <1st Name> throughout the lands of the Known World. Done by Our hand this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> in the Common Era.

Version 4 (Modified from an Aethelmearc text)

Whereas anciently from the beginning the valiant and virtuous acts of worthy persons have been commended to the world with sundry monuments and remembrances of their good deserts. <N> has shown tremendous acts of skill, courtesy, and valor <in the arts martial/on the field of combat> and been a leader through example. It is only fitting that We should recognize <his/her> efforts and welcome <him/her> into Our Order of the Defenders of the Citadel that all may know <his/her> worth. [Furthermore, We grant unto <His Lordship/Her Ladyship> these arms: <blazon>.] We, <K>, fierce and mighty King of Artemisia, and <Q>, Queen and most noble inspiration, have set hereunto Our hand this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> in the Common Era before all here assembled at <event>.

Version 5 (Modified from a Calontir text)

Unto all loyal subjects of these sovereign lands of Artemisia come this day tidings of the will and writ of <K> and <Q>, by right and grace Monarchs of these lands. It is the duty of the Gryphon Crown to provide for the strength and protection of Our realm. We would thus secure the service and promotion of stalwart soldiers, skilled in the arts of war. Many times has word been brought to Our ears of the great prowess of one who has wrought such ruin among the ranks of Our foes. It is therefore Our will to make unto <N> a Grant of Arms and name <him/her> a Defender of the Citadel. From this day

forward, let <him/her> bear the emblems and receive the privileges due a member of this order. Sealed by Our hand and read in Our Court this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> in the Common Era.

Version 6 (Modified from an An Tir text)

Greetings unto all whom these words come. We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of Artemisia, are minded of Our subject's service and it is Our prerogative to recognize <N> for distinguished skill and prowess on the field of honor. This <he/she> shall be admitted to the Right Noble Order of the Defenders of the citadel, with all rights and privileges thereunto. Further, We do honor <him/her> with a Grant of Arms [and do grant unto <him/her> <blazon>]. Henceforth, <he/she> shall have sole and exclusive right to bear these arms. Signed by Our hands this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being <#> year of the Common Era.

Version 7 (Modified from a Calontir text)

Well pleased are We, <K>, rightful and most valiant King of the sovereign lands of Artemisia, and <Q>, our Queen and inspiration, of all the warriors in Our realm to commend into Our Order of the Defenders of the Citadel <N>. right well and often has <he/she> stood with Us in battle and <his/her> skill at arms is well known to Us. Thus We do charge <him/her> to join those of this estate. Henceforth shall <he/she> hold arms by Grant. Done in accordance with Our will this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being <#> Gregorian.

DEFENDER OF THE WHITE SCARF

An award given for excellence in the art of rapier and the teaching of rapier skills. This award carries with it a Grant of Arms. The symbol for this award is a white scarf worn about the left arm.

Version 1

To one and all across the wondrous lands of the Known World, be it known that <N> has displayed prowess and chivalry worthy of Our recognition. We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of these Sovereign Lands of Artemisia, are pleased to reward these noble attributes by naming <him/her> a Companion of the White Scarf. Let none take it into their hearts to contest this, Our Royal Will, or let them face the swiftness of this warrior's blade. By Our decree this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> Gregorian.

Version 2 (Modified from an Atenveldt text)

Be it known unto all to whom these letters come that We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of Artemisia, have recognized the skill shown by <N> in the Art of Defense with the Rapier. Therefore, We are pleased to admit <him/her> as a Defender of the White Scarf. We also Grant unto <him/her> Arms [to wit: <blazon>]. We further charge <him/her> to continue to share <his/her> expertise and knowledge of the courtly graces which accompany its mastery. Writ by Our hand this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> Gregorian.

Version 3 (Modified from an Outlands text)

Unto all who come by these present letters, We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of Artemisia, send due greetings. Know ye that <N> is a fine gentle whose considerable expertise in the Art of Defense has greatly enhanced Our realm, We are minded to elevate <him/her> by Grant of Arms as a Defender of the White Scarf so all may know of the esteem in which We hold <him/her>. From this day forth, <he/she> shall be styled as <Don/Dona> [and bear the arms <blazon>] as signs of Our high favor. In witness whereof, We set Our Hand this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> Gregorian while at <event> in Our <group>.

Version 4 (Modified from an AEthelmearc text)

Let it be known that We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of Artemisia, are well pleased with the efforts of <N> to improve <himself/herself> through the practice and teaching of the art of the blade. Therefore do We, to the acclaim of the Companions thereof and in accordance with the treaty admit <him/her> into the Order of the White Scarf [granting unto <him/her> these Arms: <blazon>] Done upon this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> Gregorian.

GRYPHON OF ARTEMISIA

The highest award given by the King of Artemisia, given once per reign to a recipient whom he feels shows the highest ideals and values of the Current Middle Ages. It is given for constant and unwavering service, chivalry and honour of a truly exceptional nature which has enabled the king to rule the kingdom better than he otherwise would have. This award carries with it a Grant of Arms. Only one Gryphon of Artemisia may be given per reign. It is usually given at the closing court of the reign. The symbol of this Order is: (Fieldless) A gryphon passant ermineois. Holders of this award are announced as "a Gryphon of Artemisia, Defender of the Dream," and may place the initials GA after their names.

THE SCROLL IS SIGNED BY THE KING ONLY.

Version 1

Behold, for there are those within Our fair Kingdom who, through their ability and demeanor, serve as examples to us all. They are like the Gryphon who, with the grace of an eagle and the nobility of a lion, represent the ideals upon which our society was founded, helping to keep our dream alive. It is now the will of King <K> to recognize <N> as an embodiment of these rare qualities. Henceforth <he/she> shall be known as a Gryphon of Artemisia, Defender of the Dream. Witnessed by Our hand and with Our admiration this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> Gregorian.

Version 2

Since ancient times and by tradition, the Gryphon has been revered as a beast of nobility and strength, providing an example to all of honor, grace, and pride in defense of its home. There are those within Our fair Kingdom who, through their manner, attitude, and ability provide Our foundation and embody the best qualities of Our society, much as a Gryphon's feathers are needed for flight, yet are only a small part of the whole. These individuals serve as examples to us all, helping nurture our spirits and keep our dream alive. It is now the will of <K>, by Right of Arms, King of all Artemisia, to recognize <N> as a Gryphon of Artemisia, Defender of the Dream. Witnessed by Our hand this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> in the Common Era while at <event> in <group>.

Version 3 (Modified from a Midrealm text)

In the Realm, We, <King>, King of the fair lands of Artemisia, have heard of the kind and courteous actions of a member of Our populace. It has come to Our attention that <recipient>, has exhibited great courtesy, grace and honor to people of all ranks and exemplifies what it means to be the embodiment of the Dream. Therefore We are minded to name <him/her> as a Gryphon of Artemisia, Defender of the Dream, that all may know of the noble virtues of this gentle person. By Our Royal Decree, done this <#> day of <Month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> in the Common Reckoning.

Version 4

In the time of Our forebears, it was decreed that the King may elevate one of the land during His reign who embodied the ideals that should be held by us all. So it came to pass that the Gryphon of Artemisia was created. We take quiet comfort in <N> who is, in Our mind, the embodiment of nobility in thought, counsel, and deed, and is making ongoing and manifest contributions to the Realm, serving as an example to all. We, <K>, by strength and power King of these lands, have the duty and great joy to recognize these qualities in <him/her>. Therefore, on this <#> day of <month> in the <#> year of the Society, <he/she> is welcomed as a Gryphon of Artemisia, Defender of the Dream, that all may know of the esteem in which We hold <him/her>.

AWARD OF ARMS

(Recipient has registered name and device)

Version 1

Be it known that We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of Artemisia, having determined to give an Award of Arms to Our subject <N>, do hereby award unto <him/her> <blazon>. We do hereby affirm <his/her> sole and exclusive right to bear these arms in the Society for Creative Anachronism. Done by Our hand this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> of the Gregorian calendar.

Version 2

As is in accordance with Our will, We, <K>, Sovereign Lord of Artemisia, and <Q>, Our chosen Queen, are minded to award arms to Our subject <N>, bringing <him/her> into Our nobility [and recognizing <his/her> service unto Our <recipient's group>]. Having commanded Our heralds to devise a suitable blazon, We do hereby award <him/her> the following arms: <blazon>. Henceforth, <he/she> shall have the sole right to bear these arms. In witness whereof We hereto set Our hand this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> in the Common Era.

Version 3

Heralds! Shout gladly to all people of Artemisia that you, <N>, having earned great honor and wide renown, are worthy of Our praise. Therefore, in token of your worthiness, do We, <K> and <Q>, august Monarchs of these lands, award you arms. From this day forward, these arms shall be <blazon>. Done in accordance with Our will this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> by the Common Reckoning.

Version 4

<K>, by right of arms King of these Artemisian lands, and <Q>, Our chosen Queen, send greetings. Well pleased are We by the service that <N> hath rendered unto Our realm [especially that of <service/office/reason.>] and deem fit to make unto <him/her> an Award of Arms. <He/she> shall henceforth have the sole and exclusive right to bear <blazon>. In witness whereof, We set Our hand this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> in the Common Era.

Version 5

Know ye that We, <K>, King of Artemisia, and <Q>, Beloved Queen, of Our especial grace and certain knowledge to award, and by this Our present charter, confirm unto Our beloved <N> certain ensigns armorial; to wit <blazon> with all the privileges, insignia, titles, precedence, and responsibilities thereunto appertaining. Wherefore We will and firmly direct the aforesaid bear such arms without hindrance by any person whomsoever. Done at Our <group> this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> in the Common Era.

Version 6

Honor is due worthy subjects from a true King and Queen. Therefore do We, <K> and <Q>, Monarchs of Artemisia, award arms to the good <N> [who has/whose work in <specific endeavor>] earned honor. From this day onward, <his/her> arms shall be <blazon>. Done this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> in the Common Era in Our <group> at <event>

Version 7 (For a Norse Person)

There was a <man/woman> called <N>, <strong/fair>, wise and of great honor, fearless, generous, even-tempered and faithful to <his/her> friends, but careful in <his/her> choice of them. <His/Her> renown was such that <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of Artemisia, for <his/her> works [as <reason for

award>] did give <him/her> the right to bear these arms: <blazon>. And this was done on the <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#> at <event> in Our <group>.

Version 8

Attend and know that We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of Artemisia, hope not only to embellish, but to increase the dignity of Our realm when We dispense titles of honor. <N> has distinguished <himself/herself> through countless hours of unseen labor and an enthusiasm to assist whenever needed. As a token of Our high esteem for those who render such useful and admirable service, We find it Our great joy to award unto <him/her> arms: <blazon>. Done before all those assembled to witness Our court this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> in the Common Era.

Version 9 (Modified from an Aethelmearc text)

We, <K> and <Q>, Rex et Regina Artemisia, knowing well the many good works of Our worthy servant <N> [as <reason for award>] do award unto <him/her> the sole and exclusive right to these arms throughout the Known World: <blazon>. Given this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the Gregorian year <#>.

Version 10

Be it known by these present letters that We, <K> King by Right of Arms of the Sovereign Realm of Artemisia, and <Q>, our Queen and gracious inspiration, in keeping with the duties and privileges accorded with the rulers of Our Kingdom, here bestow upon <N> an Award of Arms, conferring unto <him/her> all the honors, privileges, and responsibilities inherent thereunto. These arms, to be borne without let or hindrance, shall be <blazon>. Done in accordance with Our will this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> in the Common Era.

Version 11

Let it be known to all that We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of all Artemisia, having observed the numerous good works of Our subject <N>, would award <him/her> arms, as well as the rights and responsibilities of this rank, especially the right to display these arms: <blazon>. From Our hands this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> by the Common Reckoning.

AWARD OF ARMS

(Recipient does not have registered arms)

Version 1

Now let it be told unto all good people that We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of all Artemisia, find Ourselves in receipt of many good reports of the works of Our noble subject <N>. Thus We do decree that <he/she> is hereby awarded arms, to be determined by consultation with Our heralds. Given by Our hand this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> Gregorian, while at <event> in <group>.

Version 2

Heralds! Shout gladly to all people of Artemisia that you, <N>, having earned great honor and wide renown, are worthy of Our praise. Therefore, in token of your worthiness, do We, <K> and <Q>, august Monarchs of these lands, award you arms. We command you to consult with Our heralds to determine these arms. Done in accordance with Our will this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> by the Common Reckoning.

Version 3

Greetings to all nobles from <K> and <Q> <Rex and Regina Artemisia/King and Queen of Artemisia>. It is Our prerogative to honor those subjects whose noble attributes please Us. In appreciation, We award arms unto <N> who has served Us so well. By Our hand this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> Gregorian, while at <event> in <group>.

Version 4

Let all who hear these words pay heed. We, <K> and <Q>, the Monarchs of Artemisia, have praise for the work of Our valiant servant <N> whose work has enriched the splendor of Our fair Kingdom. Thus it pleases Us to give thanks by awarding arms on this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> Gregorian, while at <event> in <group>.

Version 5

As in accord with Our will, We, <K>, the Sovereign King of Artemisia, and <Q>, Our Queen and Patroness of the Arts, are minded to make unto <N> and Award of Arms in acknowledgment of commendable achievements and service. <He/she> shall have the given right to register and bear arms without let or hindrance from any person as is in accord with Our custom and tradition. Given by Our hands this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> by the Common Reckoning.

Version 6

Shout gladly to all the people of fair Artemisia that <N> has earned honor and renown through praiseworthy service. Therefore do We, <K> and <Q>, Monarchs of Artemisia, award arms to <N> on this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> Gregorian.

Version 7

Attend all good gentles unto whom these presents may come, for <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of all Artemisia, send Greetings. Let it be known that <N> has distinguished <himself/herself> in Our lands. As a token of Our esteem for those who render such useful and admirable service, it is Our joy to bestow upon <him/her> an Award of Arms. Let said arms be chosen and displayed without let or hindrance for this is Our will. Done this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> Gregorian, while at <event> in <group>.

Version 8

<N>, whereas it has come to Our notice that through diverse great efforts, you have considerably enriched Our realm, it is thus Our pleasure to reward you with an Award of Arms. We grant you the rights and charge you with the responsibilities of this rank. We charge you to consult with Ourselves and Our heralds to determine unique and suitable arms. Done this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> Gregorian, while at <event> in <group>.

GOLDEN MAPLE LEAF

An award given for consistent excellence in the arts and sciences, as well as for teaching those skills learned to others. This award carries with it an Award of Arms. The symbol for this award is: (Fieldless) Two maple leaves, stems crossed in saltire, gules. The usual token given with this award is a golden maple leaf charm suspended from a ribbon. The award and the badge are in honour of Countess Adrianna Holloway, who died in a car accident in 1986. They commemorate her influence on the arts and sciences of the area that became Artemisia.

Version 1

To all unto whom these letters come, cease your efforts and pay heed to the words if the Monarchs of Artemisia, <K> and <Q>. The Order of the Golden Maple Leaf was established in ancient times by Our ancestors to honor those subjects of Artemisia who have shown exemplary efforts in the advancement of the Arts and Sciences. Thus it does please Us to pluck the noble <N> from amongst <his/her> peers and acknowledge <his/her> surpassing skill by creating <him/her> a Companion of the Golden Maple Leaf. Let none dare contest Our will in this matter as it is well and justly done. Attested to by Our hands this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> Gregorian.

Version 2

Know all by these words of proclamation that <N>, having provided an excellent example of skill and knowledge in the practice of the Arts and Sciences, does deserve Our appreciation. Therefore, We <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of Artemisia, do admit <him/her> to the august and inspired Order of the Maple Leaf. Done this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> in the Common Era while at <event> in Our <group>.

Version 3

Of what glories may a Kingdom boast? A king can display the valor of his warriors on the field. A Queen may show you the gracious courtesy of her subjects. But glory is clothed in beauty, and beauty comes from the hands and hearts of the people. We, <K> and <Q>, Monarchs of Artemisia, must praise the work of Our valiant and expert servant <N>. <His/Her> skill [*as/in*<skill>] greatly enriches the splendor of Our fair Kingdom. We give <him/her> thanks by inducting <him/her> into Our worthy Order of the Golden Maple Leaf that all may know <his/her> work is worthy of high praise. Done this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> Gregorian.

Version 4 (Modified from an Aethelmearc text)

Attend good gentles one and all. Hear these words of praise and commendation. We, <Q>, Queen and Patroness of the Arts, and <K>, King of Artemisia have the great duty and privilege to recognize those whose skill and knowledge of the arts increases the beauty of Our fair land. <N> has greatly added to the splendor of Our realm. We are pleased to award unto <him/her> the Golden Maple Leaf. Done before those assembled this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> Gregorian.

Version 5 (Modified from an Atenveldt text)

Inasmuch as Our subject <N> has demonstrated excellence and knowledge in the Arts and Sciences, We, <K> and <Q>, august Monarchs of all Artemisia, are pleased to admit <him/her> into Our Order of the Golden Maple Leaf. We ask that <he/she> continue to share <his/her> knowledge and to be a model of artistic merit to all people of Our realm. Done this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> Gregorian.

Version 6 (Modified from a Drachenwald text)

Be it known by these presents that for willingness to share knowledge, for talents in, and dedication to, the Arts and Sciences in Our fair Kingdom [and especially for <his/her> <reason for award>], We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of Artemisia, do wish to elevate Our <N> to the Order of the Golden Maple Leaf. By Our Decree this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> in the Common Era.

Version 7 (Modified from an Aethelmearc text)

Come ye all and learn of the skill and craftsmanship of Our most excellent <N> in the arts and sciences, [particularly <skill>] whose talents have so enriched Our realm that We, <K>, King of Artemisia, and <Q>, our Queen, are moved to induct <him/her> into Our Order of the Golden Maple Leaf. Given by Our hand this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> Gregorian at <event> in <group>.

Version 8 (Modified from a Calontir text)

We, <Q>, gentle Queen of Artemisia, and <K>, brave King have made Ourselves familiar with the efforts and learning of Our people. To make items of beauty and delight adds to the joy and well being of Our Kingdom. These two things being done, We are minded to award <N> the Golden Maple Leaf in recognition of <his/her> skill in the arts and adding to the splendor of Artemisia. This done on the <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#> being the Gregorian year <#> in Our Court held at <group>.

Version 9 (Modified from a Middle Kingdom text)

Unto all to whom these presents come, know that We, <K>, King by Right of Arms, and <Q>, Our Queen of Love and Beauty send greetings. As We know that the treasure of a kingdom lies in its future leaders, so do We know that such a person is before Us in <N> and in recognition of <his/her> accomplishments in the Arts [especially <particular art form>], it is fitting that We name <him/her> a Companion of the Golden Maple Leaf. As <he/she> has adorned the Crown of Artemisia until now, so shall <he/she> continue to do so in Our hearts. Done this <#> day of <month> in the <#> year of the Society, known in the Common Reckoning as the year <#>.

Version 10

<K>, by right of arms King of Artemisia, and <Q>, Our Queen, to all nobles and persons unto whom these presents come send greetings. Know ye that We, of Our especial grace and certain knowledge, and in consideration of worthy endeavors and achievements in both arts and sciences do advance Our beloved <N> to the rank, style, title, and degree of Companion of the Order of the Golden Maple Leaf with all privileges, insignia, precedence, and responsibilities thereunto pertaining, such title to be held by <him/her> without let or hindrance by any person whomsoever. Let none gainsay this advancement as it is well and justly done this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> in the Common Era.

Version 11 (Modified from an Atlantian text)

At times, the hills and valleys of the lands of Artemisia have cast upon them things of great beauty, made as they are by the skill of a single being. When such does happen in Our fair realm, We, <K> and <Q>, the rightful Monarchs, take heed and forsaking Our other pastimes, hasten to marvel at the glory laid before Us. It is with appreciation that We honor one such artisan whose work has greatly pleased us. On this <#> day of <month> in the <#> year of the society, We do name <N> a Companion of the Golden Maple Leaf, that all may know Our will as it is right and justly done.

GOLDEN PILLAR

An award given for those who have demonstrated and given consistent service to the kingdom and/or kingdom branches. This award carries with it an Award of Arms. The usual token given with this award is a small wooden or black pillar, sometimes with a gold vine painted on it, suspended from a ribbon. The name was taken from ancient Greece, one source of the word "Artemisia."

Version 1

All persons cease your current endeavors and hearken unto the words of your most august Monarchs, <K> and <Q>, by unbroken line of descent King and Queen of Artemisia. By service to the Realm may one achieve a great hallmark of the Dream. Although many aspire to such service, the self sacrifice and dedication of some far surpasses that of their fellows, serving as a beacon for others to follow. Through Our own observations and the recommendations of many trustworthy advisors, We find that <N> is such a beacon, thus it is Our intention this <#> day of <month> in the <#> year of the Society, to name <him/her> a Companion of the Golden Pillar of Artemisia. Let none gainsay Our will in this matter for it is right and justly done.

Version 2

With these presents be it known to all that <N>, having given of <himself/herself> most nobly in service to the Kingdom of Artemisia, does greatly deserve Our reward. Therefore We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of this realm, do admit <him/her> to the most generous and forthright Order of the Golden Pillar of Artemisia. Done this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being <year> Gregorian.

Version 3

To all unto whom these letters come, pay heed to the words of the Monarchs of Artemisia, <K> and <Q>. There are those who serve this realm, giving of themselves in a manner that lightens the burden of others, showing a level of dedication that surpasses many. They do so not for their own glory, but for that of all Artemisia. Through Our own observations and through the recommendations of others, We find that Our noble servant <N> demonstrates these qualities. Thus it does please Us to recognize <him/her> as a Companion of the Order of the Golden Pillar of Artemisia. Let none contest Our will in this matter, for it is right and justly done this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being <year> Gregorian.

Version 4 (Modified from an Atenveldt text)

Be it known to all before whom these letters come, that Our subject <N>, having served Our realm in an outstanding manner, does deserve great reward. Therefore, We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of the sovereign lands of Artemisia, are minded to admit <him/her> into Our right noble Order of the Golden Pillar of Artemisia. In acknowledgment whereof, We set Our hand this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being <year> Gregorian.

Version 5 (Modified from an Outlands text)

We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of the Outlands, to all and singular send Greetings. Having heard much good of <N>, whose constant service has shown forth to the enhancement of Our people, it is Our pleasure to admit this gentle to the Order of the Golden Pillar of Artemisia. We have signed these presents with Our Royal signs manual this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being <year> in the Common Era.

Version 6 (Modified from a Calontir text)

Proclaim unto all that We, <K>, Our Sovereign Lord, and <Q>, Rightful Queen, do hereby create <N> a Companion of the Golden Pillar of Artemisia, by reason of the excellence performed by <him/her> in service to the Crown, Kingdom and Society, with the right to such duty, rank and responsibilities as are entitled with such elevation. Done this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being <year> Gregorian.

Version 7 (Modified from a Calontir text)

Right mindful of the exceptional service rendered unto Crown and Kingdom by <N> [particularly in <specific service>], now therefore are We, <K>, King of Artemisia, and <Q>, Our Queen, pleased to invite <him/her> into companionship within Our Order of the Golden Pillar of Artemisia. We do therefore <him/her> such rights and responsibilities as are commensurate with such elevation from this day forward. Given by Our hands this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, while at <event> in Our <group>.

Version 8

Let it be known unto all good people that Our worthy and steadfast <N> has labored long and nobly [as <specific reason for award>], sacrificing much that Our lands might prosper. Therefore, on this <#> day of <month> in the <#> year of Our society, do We, <K> and <Q>, Monarchs of these lands, recognize <his/her> worthy service by inducting <him/her> into Our Order of the golden Pillar of Artemisia. Let none gainsay us in this matter, for it is right and justly done.

Version 9 (Modified from a Middle Kingdom text)

Proclaim it throughout the realm that We, <K>, by right of arms King of Artemisia, and <Q>, our Queen of Love and Beauty, do recognize the exemplary service that <N> hath rendered unto Our realm [specifically <service>]. We do hereby publicly commend <him/her> and are pleased to bestow upon <him/her> the Golden Pillar of Artemisia. By Our hands this <#> day of <month> in the <#> year of the Society, being the Common Era year <#>.

Version 10 (Modified from an Atlantia text by Gyrth Oldcastle)

Gold is the most noble of metals. With labor and skill it can be formed to serve a realm in many and divers ways. Gold, too, is the work and skill of the noble and virtuous <N> who has served this realm in many and divers ways. A King and Queen must repay honor with honor. Therefore do We, <K> and <Q>, Monarchs of Artemisia, induct <him/her> into the right noble Order of the Golden Pillar of Artemisia, for <his/her> service to Us is more precious than gold. Given by Our hands this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, while at <event> in Our <group>.

GOLDEN GRYPHON'S TALON

An award given for those who have demonstrated excellence in the skills and teachings of the fighting arts in the kingdom. This award carries with it an Award of Arms. The usual token given with this award is that of a curved claw with some feathers attached at the base, suspended from a ribbon.

Version 1

In the high and wild places of Artemisia dwells the mighty Gryphon, totem beast of these Laurel lands. Valiant is its heart and with wondrous weaponry is it endowed. The Order of the Golden Gryphon's Talon was created to recognize those of Our warriors whose skill at arms rivals that of this magnificent beast. Foemen blanch to see the stalwarts of this Order arrayed against them in battle. By these presents one is now called to enter this august Order, for We, <K> and <Q>, Monarchs of Artemisia, seek to honor the worthy <N>. With weapon in hand, <he/she> is mighty, and through <his/her> taching passes this skill on to others. Let all praise <his/her> excellence, let all strive to emulate <his/her> expertise, and let none among the people of all lands dare contest Our will in this matter, for these things are well and justly done by Our hands this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#> being the year <#> in the Common Era.

Version 2

To all unto whom these presents do come, be it known that <N> by demonstration of skill and knowledge in the art of chivalrous combat does deserve Our notice. Therefore, We, <K>, King by Right of Arms of Artemisia, and <Q>, Our Queen of Love and Beauty, admit <him/her> to the right noble Order of the Golden Gryphon's Talon. Done this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#> being the year <#> Gregorian.

Version 3

It shall be known to all Artemisia that there are those in Our realm who stand out among others on the field of combat. They show great honor, courtesy, and prowess. We, <K> and <Q>, by unbroken line of descent Monarchs of this Realm, having heard much of these qualities in Our subject <N>, and knowing well <his/her> worth, are minded to induct <him/her> into the Order of the Golden Gryphon's Talon. In witness whereof, We set Our hand this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#> being the year <#> in the Common Era.

Version 4 (Modified from an Atlantian text)

Battlefields and tourney lists have provided the noble and valiant <N> with glory and honor. Often has <he/she> displayed <his/her> skill, chivalry and courtesys to all when facing <his/her> worthy opponents [with <weapon>]. Therefore, We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of Artemisia, honor and praise <him/her> by inducting <him/her> into the Order of the Golden Gryphon's Talon, for <he/she> has earned such high honor. Done this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#> being the year <#> in the Common Era at <event> in <group>.

Version 5 (Modified from an Atlantian text)

Be it known that the Order of the Golden Gryphon's Talon does exist to recognize and honor those of Our loyal subjects who, by their endeavors, have caused an increase in the quality of knowledge and practice of the Arts Martial. Let all know that with these presents We, <K> and <Q>, Sovereigns of Artemisia, install <N> as a companion of this noble order with all the privileges and responsibilities of that position. Done this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#> being the year <#> in the Common Era.

\Version 6 (Modified from an Atlantian text)

Let it be known by these present letters that We, <K>, King by Right of Arms of this Sovereign Realm of Artemisia, and <Q>, Our Queen Consort, in keeping with the duties and privileges accorded with the rule of Our Kingdom, here induct <N> into Our Order of the Golden Gryphon's Talon, that all may know <his/her> skill and chivalry both as a warrior and a teacher of the arts martial. We further confer upon <him/her> all the honors, privileges, and responsibilities inherent thereunto. Done this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#> being the year <#> by the Gregorian calendar.

GOLDEN SCARF

An award given for excellence in the art of rapier. This award carries with it an Award of Arms. The usual token given with this award is a yellow scarf, to be worn about the upper arm.

Version 1

To all and singular unto whom these presents shall come, know that We, <King> and <Queen>, King and Queen of Artemisia, right mindful of <his/her> superior skill, leadership, and exemplary service to the Rapier Legions of Our Kingdom, do herewith recognize <recipient> as a Companion of Our Order of the Golden Scarf. In testimony whereof, We have set Our Hand on this <date> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <year>, being the year <year> in the Common Era, at <event> in Our <group>.

Version 2 (Modified from an Outlands text)

Let it be known unto all to whom these present letters shall come that We, <King> and <Queen>, Monarchs of fair Artemisia, send Greetings. Having heard much good of Our subject <name> who has distinguished <himself/herself> by <his/her> great skill with the rapier and divers acts of courtesy, We are minded this day to make <him/her> a Companion of the Golden Scarf as a sign of <his/her> great worth.

Witnessed by Our Hand on this <date> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <year>, being the year <year> Gregorian.

GRYPHON AND PHEON

An award given for those who have demonstrated excellence in the skills and teachings of archery in the kingdom. The usual token given with this award is a golden arrowhead suspended from a ribbon. (This award was originally named "The Order of the Golden Gryphon's Pheon.")

Version 1

Whereas your skill and prowess with bow and arrow have reached truly exemplary standards, We, <K> and <Q>, undisputed Sovereigns of Artemisia, are pleased to recognize your abilities by naming you, <N>, a Companion of the Order of the Gryphon and Pheon. Let none gainsay this declaration or let them face the accuracy of your arrows. Done by Our Royal Decree and attested to by Our signatures this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> Gregorian, while at <event> in <group>.

Version 2

Of many things great legends may be born – amazing strength, charm and humor, service, or high skill with the bow and arrow. To recognize those of excellence in archery, there exists the Order of the Gryphon and Pheon to which We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of Artemisia, now add the highly regarded abilities of <N>. May all know of these achievements rightfully declared and witnessed by Our Royal hands this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> in the Common Reckoning.

Version 3 (Modified from an Atenveldt text)

That all may know your skill in the practice and teaching of archery in Our realm, We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of all Artemisia, do admit you, <N>, into Our Order of the Gryphon and Pheon. We ask that you continue to hone your skills and share your knowledge with all people of Our realm. this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> in the Common Era.

Version 4 (Modified from an Atlantian text by Tryggvi Grabardr Olson)

The ghosts of those who fell on the fields of Agincourt and Crecy will readily attest to the deadly effectiveness of a skillfully handled bow and a well-shot arrow. Inasmuch as <N> has distinguished <himself/herself> as an archer of great renown and has strengthened Our realm through the teaching of this skill to many other of Our subjects, We, <K> and <Q>, lawful sovereigns of Artemisia, choose to induct <him/her> into Our Order of the Gryphon and Pheon. [Further, We do Award unto <him/her> the sole and exclusive right to bear arms <to wit: [blazon]>. Done this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#> in Our <group> at <event>.

Version 5 (Modified from an Aethelmearc text)

Let it be known that We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of Artemisia, are most pleased with the efforts of Our well beloved <N> to improve <himself/herself> and the people of Our realm through the practice and teaching of the mighty yeoman's skill of archery. Therefore do We admit <him/her> to Our noble Order of the Gryphon and Pheon [awarding unto <him/her> Arms: <blazon>] Done before those assembled this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being <#> Gregorian.

Version 6 (Modified from a Middle Kingdom text)

All nobility, know ye by these presents that We, <K>, King by Right of Arms of Artemisia, and <Q>, Our Queen of Love and Beauty, would fain honor <N> for <his/her> superior skill in archery and service to the archery corps of Artemisia. We are minded to create <him/her> a Companion of the Order of the Gryphon and Pheon, and thus bestow upon <him/her> all rights and responsibilities attendant upon this rank. In testimony whereof We have set Our hands this <#> day of <month> in the <#> year of the Society while at Our Court in <group>.

CHEVAL D'OR

An award given for those who have demonstrated excellence in the skills and teachings of the equestrian arts in the kingdom. This award carries with it an Award of Arms. The symbol for this award is: (Fieldless) A horse courant contourny Or. Bearers of this award may place the initials CdO after their names.

Version 1

To reward <his/her> skill and excellence in the equestrian arts, We, <K>, Sovereign Lord of Artemisia, and <Q>, Our Lovely Queen, are proud to recognize Our worthy subject <N> with admittance to the Right Noble Cheval d'Or. May all know of <his/her> fine example in making a noble beast another ally to Us in war. Witnessed by Our hand this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> by the Common Reckoning at <event>.

Version 2 (Modified from an Outlands text)

One and all shall know that We, <K>, King, and <Q>, Queen of Artemisia send Greetings. Recognizing the unique contributions of those who excel in the Equestrian Arts, We are therefore minded this day to create <N> as a Companion of the Cheval d'Or. From this day hence, <he/she> shall be endowed with all rights and responsibilities of this rank. In testimony whereof, We set Our hand this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> Gregorian at <event>.

Version 3 (Modified from a Middle Kingdom text)

Both in times of war and peace, the undaunted equestrian honed their skills in riding, mounted precision at arms, and teaching the arts equestrian to prepare for the defenses of Our Kingdom. True leadership is displayed when horse and rider together are victorious. To honor such leadership in the equestrian arts, We, <K> and <Q>, Monarchs of Artemisia, do herewith recognize <N> as a Companion of the Cheval d'Or. Done this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> by the Common Reckoning at <event>.

Version 4 (Modified from a Middle Kingdom text)

Let all know that We, <K>, the strong and just, and <Q>, the graceful and wise, Monarchs of Artemisia, have seen the skill, devotion, and support that <N> has shown in the equestrian arts. We are therefore minded to name <him/her> a member of Our Order of the Cheval d'Or and bestow upon <him/her> all duly pertaining rights and attendant responsibilities thereto. In testimony whereof, We set Our hand this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> Gregorian at <event>.

GRYPHON'S EYE

An award given for excellence in research into some part of the Middle Ages and/or Renaissance. This award carries with it an Award of Arms.

Version 1

We, <K> and <Q>, Monarchs of all Artemisia, appreciate those who enrich Our realm through their research, teaching and reproduction of authentic medieval arts and sciences. It was to recognize them that Our Ancestors created the Order of the Gryphon's Eye. Our loyal subject <N> gives freely of <his/her> knowledge and continues to learn, [especially in <specific endeavor>]. Thus We are minded to make <him/her> a Companion of this Order, and ask <him/her> to continue in <his/her> endeavors for the greater glory of Artemisia. Done in accordance with Our will this <#> day of <month> in the <#> year of our society while at <event> in <group>.

Version 2

It is believed that the Gryphon has a keen eye, able to see and interpret great detail that other creatures are unable to see. Likewise, there are subjects of Artemisia that have such attention to detail. They strive for higher levels of authenticity through research, teaching and reproduction of the arts and culture, both learning from and inspiring other members of Our populace. Know that We, <K> and <Q>, Sovereigns of these lands, have recognized these qualities in Our subject <N> [particularly in the study and teaching of <subject>]. Thus We are minded to make <him/her> a Companion of the Order of the Gryphon's Eye that all may look to <him/her> as an example. We further ask <him/her> to continue <his/her> endeavors that the glory and splendor of Artemisia may be enhanced. Done in accordance with Our will this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> Gregorian, while at <event> in <group>.

Version 3 (Modified from a Middle Kingdom text)

See, read, hear and understand by these presents that We, <K>, King of Artemisia, and <Q>, Our Queen, right mindful of the high esteem in which <N> is held by Our Kingdom and Ourselves, and in acknowledgment of <his/her> authenticity, skills, and teaching [in <endeavor>], are pleased to bestow upon <him/her> the Order of the Gryphon's Eye. In testimony whereof We set Our hand this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> Gregorian, while at <event> in <group>.

Version 4 (Modified from a Middle Kingdom text)

Let it be known throughout the vastness of Our realm that We, <Q>, Royal Patroness of the Arts, and <K>, our King, are well aware of the skills, teaching, and authenticity [in <particular area of endeavor>] of our subject <N>. Therefore We wish for all to know of the high regard in which We hold <him/her> all rights and responsibilities attendant upon this rank. Done this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, while holding court at <event> in Our <group>.

GRATIA ET COMITAS

An award given to those who have impressed the Crown with their consistent grace and courtesy at all times. This award carries no precedence. The award name is Latin for "Grace and Courtesy." The usual token given with this award is a scarf in the kingdom colours, worn on the left shoulder. Holders of this award may place the initials GeC after their names.

Version 1

Within our Kingdom's borders can be found those whose demeanor and actions provide a sterling example for Our populace to follow. These persons are like the Gryphon, who with the grace of an eagle and the nobility of a lion represent the ideals upon which our Society is founded. By these words, We, <King>, and <Queen>, King and Queen of Artemisia, do with just cause recognize Our subject <name> as an inspiring example to all by proclaiming <his/her> worthiness as a member of the Order of Gratia et Comitas. Witnessed by Our Hand on this <date> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <year>, being the year <year> in the Common Era, at <event> in Our <group>.

Version 2 (Modified from an Outlands text)

Let it be known to all that We, <King> and <Queen>, Monarchs of fair Artemisia send Greetings. Wherefore We, by Our own certain knowledge, are mindful that <name> has long conducted <himself/herself> in an honorable and courteous fashion, providing a shining example for us all. Thus, We are pleased to recognize <him/her> as a member of the Gratia et Comitas. May <he/she> continue to conduct <himself/herself> as befits a member of this Order. In witness whereof, We have set Our hands this <date> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <year>, being the year <year> Gregorian.

Version 3 (Modified from an Outlands text)

Unto all whom these presents shall come do We, <King> and <Queen>, King and Queen of Artemisia, send Greetings. Having observed the honor and courtesy with which Our subject <name> conducts <himself/herself>, and wishing to recognize such exemplary conduct, We do hereby recognize <him/her> as a Companion of the Gratia et Comitas. May <he/she> continue to conduct <himself/herself> as befits a member of this Order, with courtesy that shines forth like a star from the sky. In witness whereof, We have set Our hands this <date> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <year>, being the year <year> Gregorian.

Version 4 (Modified from an Aethelmearc text)

Courtesy, gallantry and gentle conduct are the brilliant gems of Our Realm. <Recipient> has so distinguished <himself/herself> by <his/her> courtliness as to be a shining example to us all. Thus do We, <King> and <Queen>, King and Queen of Artemisia, bestow upon <him/her> the Order of the Gratia et Comitas, that all may know of <his/her> virtues. Witnessed by Our Hand on this <date> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <year>, being the year <year> in the Common Era, at <event> in Our <group>.

GOLDEN GRYPHON'S PRIDE

An award given to those of fifteen years of age or less who demonstrate excellence in chivalry, courtesy, service, and an art, all within the traditional SCA style. This award carries no precedence. The recipient need not be a paid member of the SCA. The symbol for this award is: Sable, a gryphon guardant Or, bearing a heart Or. Companions of this order may place the initials GPA after their names.

Version 1

Know all ye that <N>, being an outstanding example for the youth of Artemisia, does deserve Our commendation. We, <K> and <Q>, Monarchs of these lands, hereby admit <him/her> to the most promising Order of the Golden Gryphon's Pride. Done this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> Gregorian, while at <event> in <group>.

Version 2 (Modified from an Outlands text)

We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of Artemisia, do recognize the budding worth of Our subject <N> and do before all Our court admit <him/her> into the Golden Gryphon's Pride of Artemisia that all may know of <his/her> great promise. In witness whereof We set Our sign this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> Gregorian, while at <event> in <group>.

Version 3 (Modified from an Aethelmearc text)

Bright and fair are the children of Our realm, but <N> has shone most brightly by reason of <his/her> courtesy and service. Therefore We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of Artemisia, are right pleased to induct <him/her> into Our Order of the Golden Gryphon's Pride and We do charge <him/her> to continue in <his/her> ways for the glory of the Kingdom. Done this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> Gregorian, while at <event> in <group>.

Version 4 (Modified from an Atlantia text by Tryggvi Grabardr Olsen)

The young people of Artemisia bring joy and gladness to our hearts. They are the future of our Kingdom and through their lives enrich us all. It is Our desire to recognize the noble deeds done by <N>. Therefore We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of Artemisia, make <him/her> a member of Our Order of the Golden Gryphon's Pride. Done in accordance with Our will this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being <#> Gregorian.

Version 5 (Modified from an Atlantia text by Bran Trefonnin)

Precious are the youth of Artemisia. In earnest learning of skills, they inspire. In joyful service they remind us – they are more than the inheritors of our future, they are the purpose to our present. <N> stands out among Our legacy as an example to us all. Therefore, We, <K> and <Q>, Monarchs of Artemisia, name <him/her> a Companion of the Order of the Golden Gryphon's Pride. Done this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> Gregorian, while at <event> in <group>.

GOLDEN GRYPHON'S HEART

A recognition given to those who have been of assistance to the Crown during their reign. This award carries no precedence. The symbol for this order is: Sable, a winged heart Or.

Version 1

Be it known throughout these Laurel Lands of Artemisia that <N>, having surrendered <himself/herself> fully to Our service, does deserve Our most profound gratitude. Therefore We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of Artemisia, do award unto <him/her> the loyal and zealous Order of the Golden Gryphon's Heart. Done this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#> being the year <#> in the Common Era at <event> in Our <group>.

Version 2

Know all who read these words that <N> has surrendered <himself/herself> fully to Our service, has provided counsel, assistance, and support on every possible occasion, and does deserve Our most profound gratitude. Therefore We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of Artemisia, do award unto <him/her> the loyal and zealous Order of the Golden Gryphon's Heart. Let all look to this noble <lord/lady> for an example of truly selfless service. Done by Our hands this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#> being the year <#> in the Common Era at <event> in Our <group>.

Version 3 (Modified from a Middle Kingdom text)

All nobility, know ye by these presents that We, <K>, King by Right of Arms of Artemisia, and <Q>, Our Queen of love and beauty, are mindful of the time, labor and love that <N> has most freely given unto Us and Our realm. That all may know Our gratitude, We hereby make <him/her> a Companion of the Order of the Golden Gryphon's Heart. Given by Our hands this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#> being the year <#> in the Common Era at <event> in Our <group>.

Version 4 (Modified from an Aethelmearc text)

Many are the joys of a King and Queen, but many too are the burdens of the Crown. Our well beloved <N> has labored greatly to lighten those burdens for Us, and therefore do We, <K> and <Q>, Monarchs of the Laurel Lands of Artemisia, in gratitude for <his/her> support, bestow upon <him/her> the Order of the Golden Gryphon's Heart. Done this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#> being the year <#> in the Common Era at <event> in Our <group>.

KING'S COUNCIL

A recognition given by the king to those individuals whose service, advice, and trust have been of great assistance to his reign. This award carries no precedence. An individual may receive this award only once per reign. It is usually given at the closing court of the reign. The symbol of the award is unique to each king, but usually consists of an element of the king's personal arms. Holders of this award are styled "King's Councilors," and may place the initials KC after their names.

THE SCROLL IS SIGNED BY THE KING ONLY.

Version 1

Be it known by these letters that <N> has honored Our realm by <his/her> trust, advice, and personal service. Thus We, <K>, King of all Artemisia, do make <him/her> a member of the Order of the King's Council of Artemisia. Let it be proclaimed that this person is good and noble and worthy of the notice of all who seek an example of chivalry and courtesy. Proclaimed by Our heralds and witnessed by Our hand this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> in the Common Era at <event> in Our <group>.

Version 2 (Modified from an Outlands text)

<K>, by Right of Arms, King of Artemisia, to all nobles and gentles unto whom these letters may come, Greetings. Know ye that We perceive it to be becoming to Our Royal Majesty that We should exalt with singular honors those who show themselves constant in ur service. Hence it is that We name <N> as a companion of the King's Council of Artemisia, as a sign of Our favor, and in appreciation for <his/her> dedicated labors and steadfast counsel during Our reign. Done by Our hand this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> Gregorian.

QUEEN'S CONFIDENCE

A recognition given by the queen to those individuals whose service, advice, and trust have been of great assistance to her reign. This award carries no precedence. An individual may receive this award only once per reign. It is usually given at the closing court of the reign. The symbol of the award is unique to each queen, but usually consists of an element of the queen's personal arms. Holders of this award are styled "Queen's Confidants," and may place the initials QC after their names.

THE SCROLL IS SIGNED BY THE QUEEN ONLY.

Version 1

Be it known to all by these letters that <N> has faithfully honored Our Crown by <his/her> faithful service to Us. Thus do We, <Q>, Queen of Artemisia, honor <him/her> as a Keeper of the Queen's Confidence. Done by Our Hand and with Our appreciation this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being <#> in the Common Era.

Version 2

Proclaim unto all that We, <Q>, Queen of Artemisia, do hereby recognize <N> for having faithfully honored Our throne by <his/her> trust, wise counsel and continuous service to Us. Let it be proclaimed that this person is good and noble and <his/her> conduct and deportment are worthy of emulation by all who seek an example of chivalry and courtesy. Thus do We, <Q>, honor <him/her> as a Keeper of the Queen's Confidence. Done in accordance with Our Royal Will and attested to by Our signature this <#> day of <month>, in the <#> year of the Society, being <#> Gregorian.

TANK (Totally Aggressive Nasty Killers)

An award given to those heavy fighters who form a very large part of the Artemisian Army. This award carries no precedence. The usual symbol of this order is that of a "War Elephant." (This award is also known as "The Artemisian Tank Corps.")

Having displayed ferocity, large size, and an ugly disposition in defense of the Kingdom of Artemisia, <name> is admitted to the Order of the Totally Aggressive Nasty Killers, called the Artemisian TANK Corps. With Our gratitude and encouragement, and always in the spirit of chivalry, We bid you to charge hard, charge fast, and fear not. By Our Hand on this <date> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <year>, being the year <year> in the Common Era.

GOLDEN BADGER

An award given for tenacious ferocity on the battlefield or in tournament. This award carries no precedence. The usual token given with this award is that of a leather belt flash with the words "Nolo Dedere Numquam," Latin for "Never Give Up," on it. Companions of this order may place the initials CBA after their names. (This award was originally called "The Badger of Artemisia".)

Unto all who read these presents: Know that <name>, by great display of tenacity and determination has caused Us to recognize <him/her> as a member of the Order of the Badger. Know all who face this person on the field that the motto of this order is "Nolo Dedere Nunquam," "Never Give Up". Prepare accordingly. Given this <date> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <year>, being the year <year> in the Common Era.

TREFOIL AND MACE

The Trefoil and Mace was created to honor those who final in Crown Tournament, raising the standards for the victors. This text may be shortened.

Artemisia is not forgiving. Her people do not tolerate weakness when it comes to their Crown, nor do they allow dishonor or incompetence. Artemisia is not an easy prize; her heart demands only the best. The men and women who wear the Crown are only here because those they fought in the final battle demanded their opponent be worthy of that honor. The combattant brought out the best in themselves, then required the winner rise above that standard. For these reasons, the Order of the Trefoil and Mace was created. The Trefoil represents the consort supporting their fighter. At the start of the tournament, the consort is pure and inspiring. As the fighter progresses, the consort tends his wounds and offers support during the battles. The consort also accepts the loss of the fighter as he tries to champion her with a crown. The mace is the symbol of honor in period and as such properly represents the effort put forth by the fighters in the tournament. Because of their valor, because of their honor, because they would not let there be a sovereign who was not worthy of their populace, <fighter N> and <consort N> are brought into the Order of the Trefoil and Mace. Done this <#> day of <Month>, Anno Societatis <Year> being the year <#> in the Common Era.

COURT BARONY

An award given to those whom the Crown deems worthy, for various achievements and earnings. This award carries with it a Grant of Arms. Court Barons and Baronesses are entitled to wear a coronet, and to use a coronet in their arms and armoury, as long as it does not have strawberry leaves or embattlements on it.

Version 1

Let it be known to all subjects throughout Our noble realm, from the burning red sands of the South to the windswept peaks of the North, that We, <K> and <Q>, Monarchs of Artemisia, have taken note of the long and faithful service given unto Our fair Kingdom by <N> and are well pleased. In recognition of this, We do this day confer upon <him/her> the dignity, honor and splendor of a <Baron/Baroness> of Our Court. In token thereof, <he/she> is accorded the privileges to use and display a Baronial coronet. Upon pain of anathema let none gainsay this, Our Royal edict, as proclaimed this <#> day of <month> in the <#> year of the Society, being the <#> year by common reckoning.

Version 2

All persons of every station throughout the Laurel Kingdom of Artemisia, take pause in your tawdry efforts that you may hear and understand these, the mighty words of your Royal Monarchs, <K> and <Q>, being in direct line of descent the <#> King and Queen of these Artemisian lands. Let none take it into their heart to dispute them. It is Our prerogative to honor with the title of <Baron/Baroness> of the Court of Artemisia those of Our subjects whose noble attributes have pleased Us. Such a person is <N> whose gentle courtesy, wise counsel, and unstinting service have made Our realm more fair and Our burden less heavy. Therefore do We so name <him/her> and in token hereof give unto <him/her> the privilege of the use and display of a Baronial coronet. Done at <event> in Our <group> this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being <#> Gregorian.

Version 3 (Modified from an Outlands text)

Pay heed to the words of <K>, by Right of Arms King of Artemisia, and <Q>, by grace and courtesy Queen. Let it be known unto all that in consideration of the good and faithful services rendered unto Our Kingdom by Our subject <N>, it is Our intent to confer great honor upon <him/her> this day by creating <him/her> as a <Baron/Baroness> of the Court of Artemisia, and in all other lands as well. We give <His/Her> Excellency <1st N> all rights and privileges pertaining thereunto, including the praise and acclaim of which <he/she> is so worthy. In testimony whereof, We have set Our hand this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being <#> Gregorian.

Version 4 (Modified from a Middle Kingdom text)

All gentles and nobility, let it be known by all that We, <K> and <Q>, undisputed Monarchs of the lands of Artemisia, send greeting. For as much as it is the privilege of the Crown to recognize certain nobility, and We have seen such nobility in <N> [specifically by <specific deed>], We are pleased to bestow upon <him/her> the right to style <himself/herself> <Baron/Baroness> of Our Court. And though a <Baron/Baroness> of the Court holds no lands or authority, <he/she> is granted such honor and respect as befits a person of great worth and courtesy. We confirm and acknowledge unto <him/her> all rights and responsibilities attendant upon this rank without let or hindrance from any person this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being <#> in the Common Reckoning.

Version 5 (Modified from a Middle Kingdom text)

All gentles and nobility, let it be known by all that We, <K>, King by Right of Arms of Artemisia, and <Q>, Our Queen and gracious inspiration, send greeting. For as much as it is the privilege of the Crown

to recognize certain nobility, and We have seen such nobility in <N> [specifically by <service/specific deeds>], We are pleased to bestow upon <him/her> the right to style <himself/herself> <Baron/Baroness> of Our court., and grant <him/her> such honor as befits a person of great worth and courtesy. We confirm and acknowledge unto <him/her> all rights and responsibilities attendant upon this rank without let or hindrance from any person. This we do confirm by Our signatures and proclamation in Our Court this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the common era year <#>.

Version 6 (Modified from an An Tir text)

It is Our prerogative as King and Queen to honor with the title of <Baron/Baroness> those of Our subjects whose noble attributes have pleased Us. This title is given in appreciation [of <his/her> <specific endeavors>] and is in addition to any rank <he/she> may hold in these lands. We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of Artemisia, do hereby name <him/her> <Baron/Baroness> of the Court of Artemisia. In accordance with Our Royal Will this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being <#> in the Common Reckoning.

Version 7 (Modified from an An Tir text)

Take heed all people of the Known World that We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of Artemisia, do take unto Ourselves Our prerogative to honor those of Our subjects who have pleased Us with the title and estate of <Baron/Baroness>. Henceforth, let it be known that <N> does now hold the title of <Baron/Baroness> of the Court with all the rights and privileges of this rank. By Our hands this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being <#> Gregorian.

FOUNDING BARON/ BARONESS

The investiture of a founding Baron and Baroness is an extremely rare event, and it is customary to write an entirely individual and new text for the scroll. There are certain common elements that must be present: the name of the Barony is mentioned, and the fact that the Barony is held in fief from the crown. The following are sample texts. Consult with the Kingdom Herald, the Kingdom Scribe, and the Crown in writing a unique one.

To all and singular do we, <K> and <Q>, by right of arms King and Queen of Artemisia, protectors of the Baronies of Loch Salann, One Thousand Eyes, Sentinels' Keep, Arn Hold, and Gryphon's Lair send greetings. Whereas the service of Our subject, <name> has pleased us know ye that We of Our especial grace and certain knowledge and mere notion do by these presents advance, create, and prefer the said <name> to the state degree style, dignity, and honor of Baron, entrusting to him Our fief of the Barony of <Barony's name> that Our lands and people may be well cared for, and by these presents do dignify, invest, and ennoble him to the rank and responsibilities herein set forth. These letters being affixed with Our sign manual and the seal of Our mighty Kingdom this <#> day of <Month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being in the Common era the year <#>

By my signature I, Golden Wing Principal Herald do certify that the armories here depicted are true and correct.

Golden Wing Principal Herald

With pride and pleasure, we, <K> and <Q>, by right of arms King and Queen of Artemisia, are pleased to this day of to honor the lovely and just <name> with the state, degree, style, dignity, and honor of Baroness <Barony's name> and entrust to her care Our fief of the Barony of <Barony's name>. We know well of her works and hold that Our lands and populace may be well cared for by her especial abilities and grace and investing her with the rank and responsibilities herein set forth. These letters are rightfully affirmed by Our personal sign this <#> day of <month> in the year of the society <#>, known as <#> in the common reckoning.

By my signature I, Golden Wing Principal Herald do certify that the armories here depicted are true and correct.

Golden Wing Principal Herald

LANDED BARON/BARONESS

The investiture of a landed Baron and Baroness is also very rare and should likewise be given attention by making a unique text for this, too. Consultations would be the same as for founding Baron and Baroness text.

Version 1

Know all before whom these letters may come, that we, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of Artemisia, being well pleased with the service of Our subject(s), <name(s)>, do wish to reward (him/her/them) with Our fief of the Barony of <Barony's name>. We grant (him/her/them) the rights, and charge them with the responsibilities of the rank of territorial (Baron/Baroness/Baron and Baroness) in Our realm, that (he/she/they) may care for Our lands and Our people. In Witness whereof We set Our hands and seal this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being <year> in the common era at <name of event>.

Version 2 (Modified from an Aethelmearc text)

To all whom these presents come, know that We, <K> and <Q>, King and Queen of the Sovereign lands of Artemisia, desiring to maintain the peace and general welfare of the good folk of <name of Barony>, do by these letters invest Our trusty and well beloved <friend/friends> <name/names> with the title of <Baron/Baroness/Baron and Baroness> of <name of Barony>. And We do charge <him/her/them> to be both bold and steadfast in the defense of <his/her/their> people in war and peace, counting always their welfare above <his/her/their> own, as befits the shield and staff of <his/her/their> demesne. In Witness whereof We set Our hands and seal this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being <year> in the common era at <name of event>.

Version 3 (Modified from a Middle Kingdom text)

All nobility, know by these presents that We, <K>, by Right of Arms, King of Artemisia, and <Q>, Our Queen, having heard petition from the Barony of <group name> and well pleased with the service of Our subject <N> are minded to create <him/her> <Baron/Baroness> of Our Barony of <group name> to have and maintain for Us and Our successors in fealty and honor those aforesaid lands. We further bestow upon <him/her> all rights and responsibilities thereunto appertaining, and the right to employ, without let or hindrance, all symbols and ornaments of that position. In Witness whereof We set Our hands and seal this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being <year> in the common era at <name of event>.

ARTS AND SCIENCES CHAMPION

This scroll text may be adapted to suit the needs of Reserve Champion, Populace Choice, Youth Champion, or other categories as needed for the competition.

Unto all by whom these presents do come, Greetings from <Q>, Queen and Patroness of the Arts, and <K>, King by Right of Arms of Artemisia. Know that <N>, having entered a grand competition held on this <#> day of <month> in the <#> year of the Society, did prove <himself/herself> worthy of the honor of Arts and Sciences Champion of the Kingdom of Artemisia. Let all know of <his/her> excellence in the arts and sciences. We further charge <him/her> to support the arts and sciences throughout Our lands. So done in accordance with Our Sovereign will during Our Court in <group name>.

KING'S CHAMPION

Greetings to all good gentles. By these presents know that <N>, having distinguished <himself/herself> by prowess and chivalry on the field of honor, has found favour in Our eyes. We do name <him/her> King's Champion and charge him with the defense of the Honour of the Crown and the defense of King <N>'s person. By Our hand this <#> day of <month> in the <#> year of the Society, known in the Common Era as the year <#>.

QUEEN'S CHAMPION

Many and valiant are the warriors of Artemisia. From the newest of soldiers to those who bear the Gryphon's Talon, justly do they seek renown. Nobly would they advance the names of those whom they honor. Her Royal Majesty <N>, <#> Queen of Artemisia, wishing to recognize these warriors and to provide them with an opportunity to display their skills in the arts of peace as well as their skill at arms, did call for a tournament. So it was, at the Coronation of <K> and <Q>, many fighters gathered to display their skill at arms and compete for the privilege of representing their Queen. At the end of this fierce competition, <N> did stand victorious and was thus named Queen's Champion. <He/She> will stand first in defense of the Queen and will serve as an example of courtly grace. Done this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> Gregorian.

RAPIER CHAMPION

As the honor of the Crown must be represented in all forms of combat, so it was that a tournament was held at Coronation in <group name> to determine the next Rapier Champion of Artemisia. At the end of the day, one true champion emerged victorious over all opponents on the field of battle. Thus do We, <K>, King by Right of Arms over all Artemisia, and <Q>, Queen of Love and Beauty, name <N> Our Rapier Champion and charge <him/her> with the solemn responsibility of defending Our honor and standing as an example of prowess and humility for all those who would follow in <his/her> footsteps. Signed by Our hands this <#> day of <month>, Anno Societatis <#>, being the year <#> in the Common Era.

ARCHERY CHAMPION

Be it known to one and all who read these words that <N> has displayed great skill with bow and arrow in the competition to determine who might best serve Their Majesties as Archery Champion. Thus, We, <K> and <Q>, Monarchs and Protectors of these lands, are pleased to acknowledge <his/her> achievement by naming <him/her> Archery Champion of Artemisia. Let all fear the arrows shot by this gentle in defense of Our realm. So done in accordance with Our Sovereign Will this <#> day of <month> in the <#> year of the Society, being the <#> year by the common reckoning.