



LAWS OF THE KINGDOM OF NORTHSHIELD



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ARTICLE I—DEFINITIONS

I-050

The definitions in this article apply only to these terms as used in these laws.

Royalty

I-100

The Royalty of Northshield consists of the Royal Sovereign, the Royal Consort, the Heir and the Heir's Consort.

The Sovereign or Royal Sovereign is the winner of the Crown Tournament, who has been crowned with the title of King or Queen or equivalent.

The Consort or Royal Consort is the person who was fought for in the Crown Tournament, who has been crowned with the title of Queen or King or equivalent.

The Crown is the Sovereign and Consort, acting together.

The Heir and the Heir's Consort are the winner and the winner's consort of the most recent Crown Tournament, who have not yet been crowned with the title(s) of King and/or Queen. They may be known by the title(s) of Crown Prince and/or Crown Princess.

The Crown Tournament is the armored combat tournament to choose the successors to the current Royal Sovereign and Consort.

The Presiding Royalty for a Crown Tournament are the Royalty whose immediate successors will be chosen in that Crown Tournament, whether the Presiding Royalty are currently the Heir and the Heir's Consort or have become the Crown.

The Coronation is the ceremony where the Heir and the Heir's Consort are elevated to Sovereign and Consort of the Kingdom.

Officers

I-200

The Governing Documents are the SCA's governing documents, as that term is used in the Glossary portion of the most recent version of the SCA Organizational Handbook.

I-220

An officer is a person serving in an appointed office as defined in the Governing Documents, in these laws, as an appointed deputy in such an office, at any level, as the organizer of an event (commonly referred to as Autocrat or Steward), as Territorial Baronage, or as a member of the Royalty.

I-230

All officers must be members of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc., and have access to the Northwatch.

I-240

Where the Governing Documents require an officer to have access to a regional newsletter, that newsletter is the Northwatch.

I-260

The Great Officers of the Kingdom are:

Seneschal
Chancellor of the Exchequer
Principal Herald (Polaris)
Earl Marshal
Minister of Arts and Sciences
Chronicler

I-270

The Lesser Officers of the Kingdom are:

1. For the Seneschal:
Council Secretary
Law Clerk
Chatelain(e)
Youth Minister
2. For the Chancellor of the Exchequer:
Minister of Regalia
PayPal
Non-Member Registration
Alternate Signatory
Endowment Fund Advisor
3. For the Herald:
Submissions Herald (Keythong)
Clerk of the Precedence
Signet
Minister of Protocol
4. For the Earl Marshal
Archer General
Rapier Marshal
Armored Combat Marshal
Constable of the Cavalry
Thrown Weapons Marshal
5. For the Minister of Arts and Sciences
Stellar University of Northshield Chancellor
6. For the Chronicler
Editor of the Northwatch
Webminister
Social Media Officer
Media Relations Officer
Event Information Officer

Other Definitions

I-300

The Stallari Council consists of the Royalty and the Great Officers.

I-340 — Use of Terms Suggesting Kingdom Patronage

Language which suggests Kingdom sponsorship or sanction of an event, guild, household, or other organization (such as Northshield, Kingdom, Titles of Kingdom Officers and their deputies etc.) requires Stallari Council approval.

I-341 — Stallari Council Permission for use of terms suggesting Kingdom Patronage

The Stallari Council reserves the right to grant perpetual permission to local events to use terms identified in section I-340 above in event names. Stallari Council further reserves the right to rescind that permission for cause. This permission does not equate to these events being “Kingdom Events” as defined in section I-350 below, nor is it intended to suggest or grant Kingdom sanction or sponsorship of these events. See Appendix A

I-345 Use of Terms Suggesting Royal Patronage

Language which implies Royal patronage (such as Royal or Their Majesty’s/Highness or King’s/Queen’s/Prince’s/Princess’) of an event, guild, household, or other organization requires the permission of the person who holds (or will hold) these titles. This will not imply Kingdom patronage or make an event subject to the requirements of a Kingdom Event. The future use of these titles cannot be presumed and are not ongoing.

I-350 Events

Known World Events are defined in Society Seneschal’s Handbook. Any group who is planning to submit a bid for a Known World Event must notify the Stallari Council prior to submitting the bid, by contacting the Kingdom Seneschal. They should also contact lesser officers that may be involved, for example, the Kingdom Rapier Marshal for Rapier events. The Stallari Council will review the bid and may provide feedback / input into the final bid.

Kingdom Events are defined as events which are critical to the maintenance of the realm such as Crown Tournament or Coronation, or events that further Kingdom goals and have direct support and oversight of a Kingdom officer(s). Kingdom Events always require a bid to be presented to the Stallari Council as outlined in Northshield Policies. Language which suggests Kingdom sponsorship or sanction of an event such as use of the terms Kingdom, or Northshield, will occur as part of the bid process. See Appendix A

Any event that does not fit these definitions is defined as a local event.

I-355 Reserved Weekends

The weekend containing the second Saturday of every month is reserved for Kingdom Events. Groups wishing to hold local events on the weekend containing the second Saturday may apply to the Kingdom Seneschal for Stallari Council approval.

I-360 — Conflicting with Kingdom Events

The Kingdom Event Information Officer will not allow any official SCA event within Northshield on the same day as Crown Tournament or Coronation. The Crown, after consultation with the Stallari Council, may give express permission for local events to occur on the same day as other Kingdom events.

Kingdom Law

I-400

The word of the Crown is law subject only to the Order of Precedence of Law established in the Governing Documents, and those restrictions found in the statutory law of the Kingdom.

I-500

There will be three classes of Kingdom law. These will be statutory law, Royal proclamation and Royal edict.

I-600

Statutory law will be the continuing body of law in the Kingdom. The Crown will have power to change, repeal or add statute only after in consultation with the Stallari Council, provided that the change, repeal or addition does not conflict with any superior laws as established by the Order of Precedence of Law in the Governing Documents and Society handbooks and policies.

I-700

Should the majority of the quorum of the Stallari Council believe a change to statutory law to be substantive, the Crown must publish the proposed law change in the Northwatch and allow one month from publication for comment before proceeding. When necessary to comply with a Society directive, the period for comment may be shortened, postponed, or cancelled.

I-800

Changes to statutory law must be signed by the Crown and the Kingdom Seneschal, proclaimed in Royal court, and published in the Northwatch before taking effect.

I-900

A Royal proclamation is defined as a lawful command of the Crown and has the force of statute for the duration of the reign in which it is proclaimed. A proclamation must be announced in Royal court and published in the Northwatch before taking effect. A proclamation cannot contradict statutory law.

I-1000

A Royal edict is defined as a lawful command of the Crown and has the force of statutory law for the duration of the event at which it is proclaimed. The Crown must be present at the event, and the edict must be announced in Royal court at that event. An edict cannot contradict statutory law.

ARTICLE II—THE ROYALTY OF NORTHSHIELD

II-100

The rights, duties and powers of the Crown rest equally and jointly with the Sovereign and the Consort.

II-200

The powers of the Crown extend only to the affairs of the Kingdom, and do not extend to matters of modern times.

II-300

No member of the Royalty may apply for or hold another Kingdom-level office, or hold a Society, or Corporate office during their reign.

II-400

The Crown will report all Kingdom awards or orders given at their courts to the Northwatch and the Kingdom Clerk of the Precedence. The Crown may delegate these responsibilities as they wish, but the ultimate responsibility will rest with the Crown.

II-600

A warranted seneschal and a warranted herald of Northshield must accompany the Crown or Court Regent when Court is conducted.

II-700

A ten-foot radius around the thrones of the members of the Royalty may only be entered by Kingdom Officers and those having Royal permission.

II-800

The Crown may designate any person who is a member of the SCA, Inc., to act as Court Regent.

ARTICLE III—CROWN TOURNAMENT AND CORONATION

III-100

The Crown Tournament to select the next Heir and Heir's Consort will be held twice a year, on the second weekends of May and October. The victor and the victor's consort will be crowned the Heir and Heir's Consort.

III-300

The Crown and the Stallari Council are responsible for selecting and approving immediate and future Crown Tournament and Coronation bids. Future bids may be for as much as eighteen (18) months out.

III-450

Prior to the tournament, the Kingdom Seneschal, and the Presiding Royalty will together select an alternative event already on the calendar at which to hold the Crown Tournament, should the originally scheduled tournament be canceled due to bad weather or other unforeseen circumstances. The populace will be notified of the location and date of the alternate event prior to the originally scheduled tournament. This event does not need to be within six weeks of Coronation as per III-1400.

III-500

The Presiding Royalty will devise the format of the Crown Tournament, including any further restrictions upon entrants and their consorts. This information will then be published in the Northwatch at least six weeks prior to the Crown Tournament. Pairings may be decided randomly or seeded by prior contests of skill, but no person or group may specifically designate pairings, except the combatants through challenge.

III-600

All prospective combatants and consorts in the Crown Tournament must first affirm that they and their consort understand and are prepared to accept the Crown's responsibilities, as defined by the Governing Documents and Kingdom law.

III-900

All prospective combatants and their consorts must meet the minimum criteria in the Governing Documents, as well as the following requirements:

1. Each must have been a subject of Northshield for one year immediately before the Crown Tournament
2. Each must be a member of the Society for Creative Anachronism and have access to the Northwatch.
3. All prospective combatants and their consorts must be acceptable to the Presiding Royalty.
4. No one under 18 years old may fight or be fought for in a Crown Tournament.
5. No member of the Royalty may either fight or be fought for in a Crown Tournament.
6. One member of the couple must also affirm that they can and will maintain the ability to legally cross the U.S./Canadian international border for the duration of their reign, should they be victorious to ensure that they are free to travel to all parts of the Kingdom.
7. All prospective combatants must hold a valid Northshield armoured combat authorization card. If the combatant does not hold all authorizations that will be used in the tournament, the Crown has the sole discretion as to how and whether they will allow that combatant to participate.

III-1000

Prospective competitors must send to the Presiding Royalty a letter expressing their intent to compete. The letter should provide evidence of fulfillment of any requirements for entrance by the prospective combatant and consort and outline their involvement in diverse areas of the SCA, as the Heir and Heir's Consort may require. The Presiding Royalty will ensure that necessary information concerning eligibility is provided to the Kingdom Seneschal for verification.

III-1100

1. The Presiding Royalty may refuse entrance to prospective combatants or their consorts for reasonable cause.
2. The Presiding Royalty must state the reason for the refusal to the Kingdom Seneschal, and to those whom they refuse entrance in a timely manner. A reasonable attempt will be made to provide the reason for the refusal, in writing, at least two weeks before the Crown Tournament.
3. The denial of entrance and its reasons will be kept confidential by the Presiding Royalty and Kingdom Seneschal.
4. At least two weeks before Crown Tournament, the Presiding Royalty shall provide Minister of Tournaments a final list of all combatants in the Crown Tournament.

III-1200

The Crown Tournament must meet the following conditions:

1. At least three fully warranted armoured combat marshals of Northshield must be present to supervise the lists.
2. A seneschal and a herald of Northshield must attend, to witness the tournament.

III-1250

If the conditions listed in III-1200 are not met, then the Crown Tournament will be held at the alternate event. If the alternate event must be used, the Kingdom Seneschal will make every reasonable effort to notify all combatants.

III-1300

At the next Coronation, the Heir and Heir's Consort will be crowned as Sovereign and Consort.

III-1400

Coronation will be held twice a year, no more than six weeks before Crown Tournament.

ARTICLE IV—THE SUCCESSION

IV-100

Before assuming the titles of Sovereign and Consort, the Heir and Heir's Consort will give either an affirmation or an oath of service to the people of the Kingdom promising to uphold the laws of the Society and Kingdom.

IV-200

In the event of disaster, failure, or absence of the Sovereign, the Consort will act with the powers of the Crown and, as necessary, the power of the Sovereign.

IV-250

In the event of disaster, failure, or absence of the Consort, the Sovereign will act with the powers of the Crown.

IV-300

In the event of disaster, failure, or absence of both the Sovereign and the Consort, the Heir and Heir's Consort will be proclaimed Crown Regents and will fulfill the duties of the Crown until Their Coronation. They will have all the duties and powers of the Crown.

IV-400

In the event of disaster, failure, or absence of the Heir, the Heir's Consort will fulfill all such duties. At Coronation they will be crowned Sovereign and will have all the duties and powers of the Crown. If they meet all the requirements in the SCA Governing Documents and Kingdom Law they will be eligible for the Order of the Rose upon completion of their reign.

IV-450

In the event of disaster, failure, or absence of the Heir's Consort, the Heir will fulfill all such duties. At Coronation they will be crowned Sovereign and will have all the duties and powers of the Crown.

IV-500

In the event of disaster, failure, or absence of both the Sovereign and the Consort and there are no Heirs, with unanimous agreement by the Stallari Council, a Crown Regent can be appointed until a Crown Tournament can be held.

IV-510 If there are published rules for Crown tournament these rules will be used. If there are no published rules, then the rules for Crown tournament will be determined by a unanimous vote of the Stallari Council

IV-520

If a Crown Regent has been chosen, they will preside over Crown Tournament acting in the role of the Crown. If they have not, the Kingdom Seneschal and Kingdom Earl Marshal will preside over the Crown Tournament. Immediately thereafter, the victor and victor's consort will be crowned as Sovereign and Consort. The new Crown will hold a Crown Tournament as soon as soon as possible to choose an Heir and Heir's Consort.

IV-600

If both the Heir and the Heir's Consort are unable to fulfill their duties, a Crown Tournament will be held under the supervision of the Crown as soon as possible.

IV-700 The Crown Regent(s) can be a single person or two people and must be chosen unanimously by the Stallari Council. They must have completed a successful reign as royalty of Northshield.

IV-710

No current member of the Stallari Council nor the most recently abdicated royalty can be appointed Crown Regent(s).

IV-720

The Crown Regent(s) must adhere to the rules for Royalty as defined in the Governing Documents and Kingdom Law.

IV-730

The Crown Regent(s) shall serve on the Stallari Council and as a member of the Kingdom Financial Committee. They will have a single vote. All decisions that were formerly advisory to the Crown need to be passed by a majority agreement of the Stallari Council.

IV-740 The Crown Regent(s) cannot make new laws, policies or approve handbooks except those that need to be changed based on the Society Governing Documents or that are already in process. Those must be unanimously approved by the Stallari Council.

IV-750 The Crown Regent(s) can only give out awards that have already been in process from the prior Crown.

ARTICLE V— OFFICERS OF THE KINGDOM

Officers

V-100

All Officers are responsible for upholding the laws and policies of the Society and Kingdom, including those set forth in handbooks approved by the Board of Directors of the Society.

V-200

All Officers will keep a record of important communications and activities related to the duties of their offices. This record may be viewed by the Stallari Council and is turned over to the successor in the office.

V-300

All Officers of the Kingdom are accountable to the Crown for the equipment, property, money, and regalia they hold for their offices, for the Crown, or for the SCA.

V-420

At the time a new officer is appointed, the outgoing officer will prepare an accounting of all equipment, property, money, and regalia for that office being passed to the successor. Both outgoing and incoming officers shall sign that accounting and a copy is to be sent to the Chancellor of the Exchequer.

V-450

All Officers will report any major changes in the equipment, property, money, and regalia they hold to the Chancellor of the Exchequer.

Great Officers

V-500

All Kingdom Great Officers are considered of equal rank except for matters specific to their individual offices.

V-600

All Great Officers are warranted by the Crown in conjunction with the appropriate Society superior officer and after consultation with the outgoing Great Officer and the Stallari Council.

V-700

No Great Officer or any warranted deputies may produce any official publications without approval of the Crown and approval by the Stallari Council. Content of any official handbook is subject to editing by the appropriate Great Officer and the Crown before publication, but any changes made after the Crown's and Stallari Council approval require approval of the change by the Crown and Stallari Council. All profits resulting from such publications must be remitted to the Kingdom Chancellor of the Exchequer. Full financial reporting must be made to the Kingdom Chancellor of the Exchequer on a regular schedule as required by the Chancellor of the Exchequer.

V-800

Great Officers may warrant deputies and assistants, (other than Lesser Officers who must be appointed per this Article), as needed.

V-810

All Greater Officers must have an emergency deputy. The emergency deputy must be warranted by the Crown and Great Officer, after consultation with the Stallari Council. Emergency deputies to a Great Officer shall keep all communications confidential as if they were that Great Officer. All laws pertaining to confidential information provided to a Great Officer shall also bind that officer's emergency deputy

V-820

If a Kingdom Great Officer is planning on fighting or being fought for in Crown Tournament, the potential replacement/deputy must be approved by the Crown, in conjunction with the appropriate Society superior, after consultation with the Great Officer and the Stallari Council, prior to the submission of a letter of intent for entrance for Crown Tournament. The action of winning Crown Tournament is considered as the immediate resignation of the Great Officer.

V-900

Great Officers will be warranted for a term of two years. Their term of office and warrants may be extended, but no Great Officer will serve for a continuous period of more than three (3) years.

V-1000

The duties and responsibilities of Great Officers are as described in the Governing Documents. Further duties of the Great Officers will include:

1. Communicating with all officers under their supervision on at least a quarterly basis,
2. Ensuring that subordinate officers have access to materials and information to perform their duties,
3. Maintaining a current roster of their subordinate officers,
4. Making their rosters publicly available,
5. Providing an updated copy of their rosters to the Crown at the beginning of each reign, and
6. If a separate bank account exists for an office, maintaining the account and providing quarterly financial reports to the Chancellor of the Exchequer.
7. Attendance at all Stallari Council meetings per reign, either personally or through an alternate, if permitted by VI-500.
8. Coordinating activities in their respective specialties, as needed, when Northshield hosts interkingdom events.

V-1100

No person may hold two Great Offices at the same time.

V-1200

Each Great Officer is responsible for the coordination, training, and appointment of their subordinate branch officers, deputies, and assistants in Northshield. No person may represent themselves as an officer without the appropriate Great Officer's specific approval or warrant of appointment.

V-2000 – The Seneschal

The Seneschal is responsible for the smooth running of the Kingdom and is the principal legal representative of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc., within the Kingdom.

V-2100 – The Chancellor of the Exchequer

The Chancellor of the Exchequer is the chief financial officer of the Kingdom and is responsible for all matters dealing with Kingdom funds or property.

V-2110

The Chancellor of the Exchequer will meet with the Heir and Heir's Consort as soon as practical to inform them of the financial policies of the Kingdom.

V-2120

The Chancellor of the Exchequer will work with all Great Officers in the administration of the financial duties accompanying those offices.

V-2130

The Chancellor of the Exchequer will submit a financial report to the Stallari Council at least twice per reign at the Stallari Council meeting.

V-2140

The Chancellor of the Exchequer will submit a current balance sheet and the approved budget to the Royalty within thirty (30) days of Coronation.

V-2150

The Chancellor of the Exchequer will submit a budget for review and approval to the Stallari Council and the Royalty in time to have the approved budget published in the March Northwatch.

V-2160

The Chancellor of the Exchequer will submit an annual financial report of the Kingdom's accounts to the Chronicler for publication in the May Northwatch.

V-2200 – The Herald

The Principal Herald of Northshield is called the Polaris Herald.

V-2300 – The Earl Marshal

The Earl Marshal will promote safe and orderly conduct of combat in accordance with Society and Kingdom rules and conventions.

V-2310

The Earl Marshal will require a properly completed waiver for any person participating in any combat-related activity. The Earl Marshal is responsible for the proper management of all combat-related waivers.

V-2320

The Earl Marshal is responsible for the proper training and supervision of combatants and prospective combatants.

V-2400 – The Minister of Arts & Sciences

The Minister of Arts and Sciences is responsible for the organization and encouragement of the study and practice of arts and sciences within Northshield.

V-2500 – The Chronicler

The chief communications officer for the kingdom and will oversee and facilitate all official forms of communication including the Northwatch, the website, social media and media relations

V-2700 – Special Deputies

The appointment and term of office of any Special Deputy is at the discretion of the Crown or the appropriate Great Officer.

Special Deputies are warranted in the same manner as other officers.

Lesser Officers

V-3000

All Lesser Officers will be appointed and warranted by the Crown in conjunction with the appropriate Great Officer, after consultation with the Stallari Council.

V-3020

Each Lesser Officer is responsible for the coordination, training, and appointment of any subordinate branch officers, deputies, and assistants in Northshield.

V-3050

Lesser Officers will fulfill the individual requirements of office as defined by the Governing Documents, Kingdom law, and their superiors. Lesser Officers that report directly to Society superiors shall also send a copy of that report to their Kingdom superiors and the Royal Family.

V-3080

Lesser Offices may be established and administered at the discretion of the Crown, under the Crown or the jurisdiction of a Great Officer.

V-3100 – The Council Secretary

The Council Secretary is a Lesser Officer to the Seneschal and will keep a record of the proceedings of the Stallari Council meetings.

Minutes of each Stallari Council meeting will be distributed within three (3) weeks of the meeting to all members of the Council.

V-3110 – The Law Clerk

The Law Clerk is a Lesser Officer to the Seneschal, responsible for understanding SCA and Kingdom governing documents and advising the Crown and Great Officers of these laws and policies. “Governing documents” does not include handbooks for individual offices.

V-3140 – The Chatelain(e)

The Chatelain(e) is a Lesser Officer to the Seneschal and is responsible for the introduction and education of prospective and new members in the culture, customs, and courtesies of the Society.

V-3160 – The Youth Minister

The Youth Minister is a Lesser Officer to the Seneschal and is responsible for coordination of youth activities (excluding all martial activities).

V-3200 – The Minister of Regalia

The Minister of Regalia is a Lesser Officer to the Chancellor of the Exchequer and to the Crown and is responsible for soliciting, obtaining, receiving, and maintaining any regalia of the Kingdom.

The Minister of Regalia will maintain a current inventory of the Kingdom’s regalia and will provide said inventory to the Royalty and the Chancellor of the Exchequer within thirty (30) days following each Crown Tournament.

The Minister of Regalia is responsible for providing the Crown with any regalia from the inventory and receiving all regalia back at the end of each reign. The Minister of Regalia is also responsible for providing the Heir and Heir’s Consort with any regalia from the inventory and receiving all regalia back upon Their Coronation.

The Minister of Regalia is responsible for notifying the Stallari Council of any repairs or additions necessary to the inventory and is responsible for obtaining approved items or repairs in a timely manner.

V-3210 -- PayPal

The PayPal officer is a Lesser Officer to the Chancellor of the Exchequer and is responsible for administration, setup, education and transferring of funds for every event that uses PayPal.

V-3220 -- Non-Member Registration

The Non-Member Registration officer is a Lesser Officer to the Chancellor of the Exchequer and is responsible for assisting the Kingdom Exchequer with collecting, compiling and reporting Non-Member Registration collections in preparation for sending to Corporate.

V-3230 -- Alternate Signatory

The Alternate Signatory officers are Lesser Officers to the Chancellor of the Exchequer and are responsible for being an additional signatory on the kingdom accounts or the designated kingdom signatory for local accounts if the Chancellor of the Exchequer cannot be because of residency. At least one of the officers must be resident of the US and one must be a resident of Canada.

V-3250—Endowment Fund Advisor

The Endowment Fund Advisor is a Lesser Officer to the Chancellor of the Exchequer and the Crown and is responsible for making recommendations to the Stallari Council and the Kingdom Financial Committee about the management of the Endowment Fund.

V-3300 – The Submissions Herald

The Submissions Herald is a Lesser Officer to the Polaris Herald and is responsible for the collecting of heraldic submissions within the Kingdom and guiding those submissions through the internal commentary process according to policies laid down by the Laurel Sovereign at Arms and the Polaris Herald.

The Submissions Herald is the only Heraldic Officer authorized to accept funds for heraldic submissions. The only heraldic officers authorized to disburse funds to cover the administrative fees of the external submissions process are Polaris Herald and the Heraldic Exchequer.

V-3305 – Keythong Herald

The Submissions Herald of Northshield is titled Keythong Herald.

V-3320 – The Clerk of Precedence

The Clerk of Precedence is a Lesser Officer to the Polaris Herald and is responsible for maintaining the Kingdom Order of Precedence. The Clerk of the Precedence will provide the Royalty an updated Order of Precedence within thirty (30) days before each Coronation.

V-3340 – The Signet

The Signet is a Lesser Officer to the Polaris Herald and is responsible for coordination, as needed, to provide scrolls for the Crown.

V-3350 – The Minister of Protocol

The Minister of Protocol is a Lesser Officer to the Polaris Herald and is responsible for education relating to protocol issues and maintaining and updating the Kingdom's book of ceremonies.

V-3400 – The Archer General

The Archer General is a Lesser Officer to the Earl Marshal and will promote the safe and orderly conduct of archery activities.

V-3410 – The Rapier Marshal

The Rapier Marshal is a Lesser Officer to the Earl Marshal and will promote the safe and orderly conduct of rapier activities.

V-3420 – The Armored Combat Marshal

The Armored Combat Marshal is a Lesser Officer to the Earl Marshal and will promote the safe and orderly conduct of armored combat.

V-3430 – The Constable of the Cavalry

The Constable of the Cavalry is a Lesser Officer to the Earl Marshal and will promote the safe and orderly conduct of equestrian activities.

V-3480 – The Thrown Weapons Marshal

The Thrown Weapons Marshal is a Lesser Officer to the Earl Marshal and will promote the safe and orderly conduct of thrown weapons activities.

V-3500 – The Stellar University of Northshield (SUN)

There is hereby established within Northshield an avenue for the dissemination of knowledge and information regarding the historical Middle Ages and Renaissance together with the history, traditions and customs of the SCA and of Northshield. This organization is called the Stellar University of Northshield, or SUN. SUN is governed and administered pursuant to its by-laws. To be effective, the by-laws must be approved and signed by the Minister of Arts and Sciences, after consultation with the Stallari Council.

V-3510 - SUN Chancellor

The activities of SUN will be overseen by a Chancellor, who is a Lesser Officer to the Minister of Arts and Sciences.

V-3640 – The Editor of the Northwatch

The Editor of the Northwatch is a Lesser Officer to the Chronicler for publishing the Northwatch, the official newsletter of the Kingdom of Northshield, on a monthly schedule. The Editor is also responsible for overseeing any local branch newsletters. The Editor will print official announcements and report news within the Northwatch.

V-3650 – The Webminister

The Webminister is a lesser office to the Chronicler responsible for maintaining the Northshield website.

V-3660 - The Social Media Officer

The Social Media Officer is a lesser officer to the Chronicler, responsible for the use of social media on approved platforms to support the goals of the Society for Creative Anachronism, and to facilitate communication with its participants. The Social Media Officer is also responsible for those duties specified in the appropriate Society policies.

V-3670 – The Media Relations Representative

The Media Relations Representative is a lesser officer to the Chronicler, responsible for the image of the Society and the Kingdom to the outside world and should be able to reflect our goals, purpose for existence, and the finer aspects of achievement. The Media Relations Representative is also responsible for those duties specified in the appropriate Society policies.

V-3680 – The Event Information Officer

The Event Information Officer is a Lesser Officer to the Chronicler and will collect information about upcoming events in the Kingdom.

The Event Information Officer will maintain the calendar of officially scheduled events and will provide this calendar to the Chronicler and Web Minister on at least a monthly basis, in advance of any established publication deadline.

Warrants

V-4000

The warrant of an officer subordinate to a Great Officer is at the discretion of the Great Officer and the Crown. Warrants may be renewed, or not, by the Crown and the Great Officer acting jointly. Such a lapse of warrant or tenure is without prejudice towards the outgoing officer.

V-4010

A Regional Officer who is also a Group Officer in the same reporting chain will not be warranted until the Great Officer specifies, in writing to both Regional Officers and the Crown, an alternate Regional Officer in the same reporting chain for the Group Officer to receive their group reports. This notification must be repeated when the Regional Officer receiving the group reports changes.

V-4020

An officer may resign by sending written notice to the appropriate baronial (if applicable), regional and kingdom superior. Failure to send in required reports can be viewed as a resignation from office by the respective Great Officer. Resignation from office is without prejudice.

V-4030

A Great Officer may suspend activity that is within their jurisdiction in a branch only after an investigation has been conducted that will include contacting or attempting to contact the local officer, other officers in the branch, and the Baron(s) and/or Baroness(es) if the branch is a Barony.

V-4040

If a Great Officer finds it advisable to investigate a subordinate officer, the Great Officer may suspend the subordinate for no longer than thirty days while the investigation is conducted. After thirty days, the Great Officer will either request that the Crown invoke its suspension privileges, re-instate the officer, or recommend that the officer be removed.

V-4050

If the Crown finds it advisable to investigate an officer, the Crown may suspend the officer while the investigation is conducted. The suspension can last no longer than the duration of that reign. The affected Great Officer will conduct the investigation in a timely fashion and make a recommendation for either removal or reinstatement. If the investigation is not complete by the end of the reign in which it was begun, the Great Officer will, in conjunction with the outgoing Crown, make a recommendation to the Heir and Heir's Consort as to the disposition of the matter.

V-4060

The Crown and a Great Officer may remove a subordinate officer for just and stated cause. Removal for just and stated cause requires that the Crown and Great Officer act together. The just and stated cause for removal from office must be given in writing to the officer removed but may not be published. A copy of the removal for just and stated cause must remain in the permanent files of the Crown and the respective Great Office.

ARTICLE VI—THE STALLARI COUNCIL

VI-100

The duty of the Stallari Council is to advise the Crown on legislation, appointments to office, and other matters about which the Crown ask for counsel. The Stallari Council also approves expenditures of Kingdom funds, contracts involving the Kingdom, and any other matters set forth in these laws or the Kingdom Financial Policies.

VI-200

A quorum of the Stallari Council consists of the Crown, the Seneschal, and three (3) other Great Officers.

VI-210

Approval by Stallari Council as used in these laws shall mean a majority vote of a quorum, in the case of in-person or live telephonic or electronic meetings, or a majority vote of the entire council in the case of email voting.

VI-300

An official meeting of the Stallari Council will be convened by the Crown at least two (2) times per reign. An official meeting of the Stallari Council must include the Kingdom Seneschal.

VI-500

Great Officers, except for the Seneschal, who are unable to attend an official meeting of the Stallari Council, may designate an alternate as long as the alternate is acceptable to the Crown.

VI-600

The Stallari Secretary, Law Clerk and Emergency Deputy Seneschal are invited to meetings and on the e-list as non-voting members of the council. At the discretion of the Crown, other individuals may be invited to participate in all or part of a Stallari Council meeting as non-voting members.

VI – 700

The Stallari Council shall meet once per year within 30 days after the Spring Crown Tournament to review Kingdom Law and Northshield Financial Policies and approve changes that are needed or desirable. This meeting shall be in addition to convening the official meetings of the Stallari Council as set forth in VI-300

ARTICLE VII—RECOGNITION & ADVANCEMENT OF SUBSIDIARY BRANCHES

VII-100

All branches desiring recognition or advancement within Northshield must petition both the Kingdom Seneschal and the Crown.

VII-200

The Kingdom Seneschal will keep the Crown apprised of the progress of all such petitions.

VII-300

A branch may not hold money in the name of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc., until the Kingdom Seneschal has officially recognized it as a full-status branch.

VII-400

Upon application as a new branch, a branch will recommend and request warrants for their officers, who must include a seneschal, a chancellor of the exchequer, and at least one other officer.

VII-440

A full set of officers for a barony is defined as a Baron and/or a Baroness; a Seneschal; a Herald; a Marshal for at least one variety of martial activity; a Minister of Arts and Sciences; a Chronicler; and a Chancellor of the Exchequer.

VII-500

If any supervision of martial activities is to be undertaken, the branch must have an appropriate marshal.

VII-600

Prospective branches must submit a name to the Kingdom Seneschal and the Kingdom Submissions Herald.

VII-700

Existing branches will not be permitted a division or advancement that will foster a split or factionalization of a political nature in the resident population.

VII-800

Any branch that disbands or is dissolved by the Board of Directors will have two options regarding any funds held by the branch:

1. Any funds remaining are turned over to the Kingdom Chancellor of the Exchequer, or
2. The branch may, with notice to the Stallari Council, donate the funds to an IRS approved charitable institution.

Failure to do one of the two above will result in the last known funds being reported to the IRS as personal income for the last reported branch chancellor of the exchequer or seneschal.

ARTICLE VIII—TERRITORIAL BARONS & BARONESES

VIII-100

The Kingdom Seneschal or an appointed deputy must oversee any appointment or re-appointment of a Baron or Baroness.

VIII-200

The Seneschal or deputy will conduct a poll of the residents of the existing or proposed Barony. The Kingdom Seneschal will provide the results of the poll to the Crown. The Crown will appoint as Baron(s) and/or Baroness(es) those individual(s) deemed most fit to represent the Royal presence in the Barony, provided that the members resident in the Barony do not substantively oppose the selection of the Baron(s) and/or Baroness(es).

VIII-400

Territorial Baron(s) and/or Baroness(es) will be held accountable for any term limits agreed to with the members of the Barony. If an agreement is made between the Baron(s) and/or Baroness(es) and the members of the Barony concerning term limits, it will be in writing and signed by the Baron(s) and/or Baroness(es) and the baronial seneschal and two other baronial officers. Such agreements must be acceptable to the Crown and Kingdom Seneschal. Copies will be sent to the Kingdom Seneschal and to the Crown.

VIII-500

A Territorial Baron or Baroness may not also hold the offices of Baronial Seneschal or Baronial Exchequer.

VIII-600

A Territorial Baron or Baroness may not be a signatory on any Baronial bank account.

VIII-700

A Territorial Baron or Baroness must reaffirm their fealty or service to the Crown of Northshield at least once per reign.

VIII-800

Territorial Baron(s) and/or Baroness(es) must report, in writing, to the incoming Crown of Northshield (or the Crown's appointed representative) at least once per reign. This report is due by each Coronation.

VIII-850

This report will include: contact information for the Baron(s) and/or Baroness(es) (including address of residence, telephone and e-mail contact information, if applicable), proof of current Society membership, information regarding the state of the Barony, a summary of events and meetings attended by the Baron(s) and/or Baroness(es), and changes to any existing Baronial Charter.

VIII-900

A Territorial Baron or Baroness has the right to hold Court within Their barony.

VIII-950

A Territorial Baron or Baroness may hold Court within another Barony with the permission of that barony's Baron(s) and/or Baroness(es), or the Crown.

VIII-960

A Territorial Baron or Baroness may hold Court in other areas with the permission of the Crown.

VIII-1000

A Territorial Baron or Baroness, once titled, will retain said title until they resign, they leave Their barony to become a resident of another place, or their term expires. The Crown may, at its discretion, create them a Baron or Baroness of the Court.

VIII-1100

In the case of an extended, but temporary, absence of the Baron(s) and/or Baroness(es), they may request that the Crown appoint a Vicar to fulfill the duties of Baron(s) and/or Baroness(es) until their return.

VIII-1150

The Vicar may fulfill the duties of the Baron(s) and/or Baroness(es) for up to one year.

VIII-1170

The Crown may choose to extend the period of time that the Vicar serves up to a maximum of eighteen months.

VIII-1200

If a Baron or Baroness is not active for four months without notice or the appointment of a Vicar, the Crown may appoint new Baron(s) and/or Baroness(es). "Not active" is defined as no participation in their Barony, at baronial events, or meetings.

ARTICLE IX—PRECEDENCE, SYMBOLS OF RANK & OATHS OF FEALTY

IX-100 — The Order of Precedence

The Order of Precedence within Northshield is as follows:

Sovereign/Consort

Heir/Heir's Consort

Dukes/Duchesses

Counts/Countesses

Viscounts/Viscountesses

Peers of the Realm

Territorial Barons/Baronesses

Court Barons/Baronesses

Awards and Orders conferring Grants of Arms (including awards from other Kingdoms)

Awards and Orders Conferring Awards of Arms (including awards from other Kingdoms)

Awards and orders that do not convey precedence

Awards granted to a branch, guild, or other organized group of the Society will not convey individual precedence to the members of that group.

Except for Royalty, all placements within the different classifications of the Order of Precedence will be done according to seniority in that title.

Honors given by organizations below Kingdom level may appear in the Kingdom Order of Precedence, and they may also be used in their appropriate Orders of Precedence, (e.g. Baronial awards may be employed in order to define a Baronial Order of Precedence).

IX-200 — Symbols of Rank

Only the Sovereign and Consort may wear crowns of gold, ornamented as they see fit.

Only the Heir and Heir's Consort may wear crowns of silver, ornamented as they see fit.

Only Dukes and Duchesses may wear coronets with strawberry leaves, ornamented as they see fit.

Only Counts and Countesses may wear coronets embattled, all gold, ornamented as they see fit.

Only Peers of the Realm may wear the badges and symbols of their respective Orders.

Only Territorial Barons and Baronesses may wear coronets of gold with six pearls (spheroids), ornamented as they see fit.

Only Court Barons and Baronesses may wear coronets of silver with six pearls (spheroids), ornamented as they see fit.

Only members of the various officially recognized Awards and Orders (as defined by Corpora) may wear the badges of their respective Awards and Orders.

Awards of Arms — Members of the populace with Awards of Arms may wear a simple metal circlet, ornamented as they see fit, with no more than one protrusion. The overall height of the circlet may not exceed one inch, including the protrusion. The circlet may not resemble any of the coronets listed above.

Officers may wear the badges of their respective offices.

It is the right of all subjects of the Kingdom to display the populace badge of the Kingdom.

IX-300 – Oaths of Fealty

The Crown may not allow oaths of fealty to restrict the populace from full participation in the Society. If for reasons of conscience a subject of the Kingdom is unable to pledge an oath of fealty as found in the applicable “Standard Texts for Oaths of Fealty” in the Kingdom Boke of Ceremonies, the Crown will create an alternate ceremony in advance that respects the integrity of the individual and enhances the pageantry and flavor of the Society.

ARTICLE X—ARMORY, AWARDS, & ORDERS

X-100 – Armory of the Sovereign

The Arms of the Sovereign is Sable, a compass rose argent within a laurel wreath, in chief an ancient crown Or.

X-200 — Armory of the Consort

The Arms of the Consort is Sable, a compass rose argent within a wreath of roses, in chief an ancient crown Or.

X-300 — Armory of the Heir and the Heir's Consort

The Arms of the Heir and the Heir's Consort is Sable, a compass rose argent within a laurel wreath, in chief an ancient crown, charged overall with a label of cadency Argent.

X-400 – Armory of the Heir's Consort

The Arms of the Heir's Consort is Sable, a compass rose argent within a wreath of roses, in chief an ancient crown, charged overall with a label of cadency Argent.

X-500 – General Armory

The populace badges of the Kingdom are: Sable, a compass rose argent, a bordure Or; and Fieldless, a griffin passant Or.

X-1000 – Awards and Orders

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It is the right of everyone in the Kingdom to recommend to the Crown anyone who, in their estimation, is deserving of an order or award of any level. Recommendations that do not use the online form must be signed by the author.

Holders of Grants of Arms may be styled and announced as Recipients of Grants of Arms, as His Lordship or Her Ladyship, or as The Honorable Lord, Lady or Armiger or an equivalent title in the "The List of Alternate Titles" maintained by Society.

Holders of Awards of Arms may be styled and announced as Recipients of Awards of Arms or as Lord, Lady, or Armiger or an equivalent title in the "The List of Alternate Titles" maintained by Society.

X-1100 – Non-Armigerous Awards

The following Awards are not armigerous and they convey no standing in the Order of Precedence. Recipients of each Award may wear the badge of the Award, when it has been properly registered.

X-1110 – The Award of the Compass

The Award of the Compass may be given to youths in the Kingdom of Northshield who have distinguished themselves by exemplary service to the Kingdom. The Badge for the Award shall be: (Fieldless) A pair of compasses Or.

X-1120 – The Award of the Gold Lamp

The Award of the Gold Lamp may be given to youths in the Kingdom of Northshield who have distinguished themselves by achievement in an Art and/or Science.

X-1130 – The Award of Bellerophon

The Award of Bellerophon may be given to youths in the Kingdom of Northshield who have displayed prowess and courtesy in any of the Arts Martial.

X-1140 – The Award of the White Owl

The Award of the White Owl may be given to youths in the Kingdom of Northshield who have demonstrated initiative in teaching.

X-1150 – The Order of the Crwth

The Order of the Crwth may be given to those in the Kingdom of Northshield who have distinguished themselves by their proficiency in the performing arts. This order shall be a continuation of the order of the same name from the days of the Principality, and all companions of the Principality's order shall be considered companions of this. The Badge for the Order shall be: (Fieldless) A crwth argent.

X-1160 – The Order of the Saltire

The Order of the Saltire may be given to those who have demonstrated widespread guidance and instruction, enriching the abilities of the populace. No more than four people may be admitted to this order in any reign. This order shall be a continuation of the order of the same name from the days of the Principality, and all companions of the Principality's order shall be considered companions of this. The Badge for the Order shall be: Vert estencely argent, a saltire Or surmounted by a lozenge ployé argent.

X-1165 - The Order of the Beare of Northshield

The Order of the Beare of Northshield may be given by the Crown to those who embody the spirit of the Kingdom. No more than one person may be admitted into this Order during any reign. Members of this Order may style themselves "Bears of Northshield."

X-1170 – The Order of the Pyxis

The Order of the Pyxis may be given to those who have distinguished themselves by putting forth great effort at researching, creating and maintaining a period persona and atmosphere. This order shall be a continuation of the order of the same name from the days of the Principality, and all companions of the Principality's order shall be considered companions of this. The Badge for the Order shall be: (Fieldless) A cross clechy Or within and conjoined to an annulet argent

X-1175 The Order of the Griffin of Northshield

There shall be in Northshield an Order into which the Crown may enter those who have had at least 25 years of continuous participation in a martial activity. Members of this Order may style themselves Venerable Griffins.

X-1180 – The Award of the Hearthstead

The Award of the Hearthstead may be given to groups who excel at showing hospitality and hosting events. Eligible groups include SCA branches, or any body of people acting as a group, such as a household, archers, etc. The Badge for the Award shall be: Sable, a brazier Or enflamed proper within a bordure Or masoned sable.

X-1185 – Order of the Gems of Northshield

The Order of the Gems of Northshield may be given to honor groups (ex. Shires, Clans, Fighting Teams) who have, as a group, given outstanding service to the Kingdom. The Badge for the Order shall be: Sable, in cross four hexagonal gems argent

X-1190 – The Award of the Bravura

The Award of the Bravura may be given to one who achieves a heroic and specific deed of valor, courtesy, or prowess in the Arts Martial which has increased the renown and reputation of Northshield. This award shall be a continuation of the former Kingdom Award of Nordbandr and of the Award of Nordbandr from the days of the Principality, and all recipients of the Principality award shall be considered equal with recipients of this award.

X-1200 – The King's/Queen's Cypher

The King's Cypher and the Queen's Cypher may be given to those gentles who have distinguished themselves through personal service to the Crown.

X-1210 – The Prince's/Princess's Cypher

The Prince's Cypher and the Princess's Cypher may be given to those gentles who have distinguished themselves through personal service to the Heir and/or the Heir's Consort. The Heirs are allowed to bestow the award at their own discretion.

X-1220 – The Scroll of Honor

The Scroll of Honor is a record of the worthy deeds of the people of Northshield and its friends. Names are entered at the discretion of the Crown. The Kingdom Herald or a deputy shall care for the Scroll and ensure that it is displayed at Royal Courts on occasion. Coronations and Crown Tournaments will be considered especially appropriate events for its display.

X-1230 The Order of the Golden Peacock

The Order of the Golden Peacock may be given to those who maintain a period appearance while participating in any martial activity. The badge of the Order shall be: Sable, a peacock in its pride within a bordure embattled Or

X-1240 – The Order of Persephone's Circle

The Order of Persephone's Circle consists of Royal Consorts from the days of the Principality. It is closed to any new companions, but remains in law and custom as a place of high regard and honor.

X-1250—Augmentation of Arms

An Augmentation of Arms may be awarded by the Crown to specially honor a person for service to the Kingdom above and beyond the call of duty. Each augmentation is a specific charge determined by the individual pursuant to the rules of the College of Arms that can be added to the individual's heraldic arms once approved.

X-1255 no award name yet.

There shall be in Northshield an Award which the Crown may give to one who achieves a heroic and specific deed of valor or prowess in the areas of service or nonmartial arts. This deed shall be one which increases the renown and reputation of Northshield.

X-1260 no award name yet.

There shall be in Northshield an Order into which the Crown may enter one who has, over time and with consistency, shown exemplary courtesy. Members are expected to continue conspicuous acts of courtesy, and to encourage others to that same standard of excellence.

X-1300 – Armigerous Awards

The following Awards convey an Award of Arms, if the recipient is not yet armigerous. Recipients of each Award may wear the badge of the Award, when it has been properly registered. Awards of Arms are of equal precedence, whether accompanied by an award or not.

X-1310 – The Award of Cygnus

The Award of Cygnus may be given to gentles in the Kingdom of Northshield who have performed substantial service to the Kingdom. The Badge of the Award shall be: A swan naiant contourny Or.

X-1320 – The Award of the Black Flame

The Award of the Black Flame may be given to those who show proficiency in one or more of the Arts or Sciences, including a level of participation beyond their own personal endeavors. The Badge of the Award shall be: A flame sable.

X-1330 – The Award of the Glove

The Award of the Glove may be given to those who demonstrate prowess and chivalric comportment in rapier and/or cut-and-thrust combat, including a level of participation beyond their own personal endeavors.

X-1340 – The Award of the Griffin and Sword

The Award of the Griffin and Sword may be given to those who demonstrate prowess and chivalric behavior in armored combat, including a level of participation beyond their own personal endeavors. The Badge of the Award shall be: (Fieldless) A griffin Or sustaining a sword argent.

X-1350 – The Award of the Black Bolt

The Award of the Black Bolt may be given to those who demonstrate prowess and chivalry in artillery activities, including a level of participation beyond their own personal endeavors. The Badge of the Award shall be: A lightning bolt bendwise sinister sable.

X-1360 – The Award of the Palfrey

The Award of the Palfrey may be given to those who demonstrate prowess and chivalry in equestrian activities, including a level of participation beyond their own personal endeavors. The Badge for the Award shall be: (Fieldless) A horse passant sable charged on the shoulder with a compass rose argent.

X-1500 – Awards Conveying a Grant of Arms

The following Awards convey a Grant of Arms, if the recipient does not yet hold one. Recipients of each Award may wear the badge of the Award, when it has been properly registered. Grants of Arms are of equal precedence, whether accompanied by an award or not.

X-1510 – The Order of the Hand of Tyr

The Order of the hand of Tyr may be given to those who have distinguished themselves over time by performing, with all due courtesy, outstanding service on behalf of the kingdom. Members are expected to continue conspicuous service and to help others find their own opportunities for service. The Badge of the Order shall be: On a hand fesswise sable a Tyr rune argent.

X-1520 – The Order of Brigits Flame

The Order of Brigits Flame may be given to those who have shown over time that they enthusiastically strive for mastery in the Arts and/or Sciences, endeavoring to provide leadership and displaying courtesy. Members are expected to continue their pursuits in the Arts and/or Sciences and for helping others find their own opportunities for enrichment therein. The Badge of the Order shall be: A torch argent enflamed proper.

X-1530 – The Order of the Destrer

The Order of the Destrer may be given to those who have, over time, demonstrated great prowess, chivalry, and leadership in Equestrian Arts. Members are expected to continue conspicuous activity in Equestrian arts, and to encourage others to become involved and proficient. The Badge of the Order shall be: A horse rampant Or sustaining a compass rose argent.

X-1540 – The Order of the Black Griffin

Membership in the Order of the Black Griffin may be given to those who have, over time, demonstrated great prowess, chivalry, and leadership in Armored Combat. Members will be responsible for continued, conspicuous activity in Armored Combat and for helping others become involved and proficient. The Badge of the Order shall be: (Fieldless) A griffin Or sustaining a sword sable.

X-1550 – The Order of the White Scarf of Northshield (closed)

The Order of the White Scarf of Northshield was given to those who, over time, demonstrated great prowess, chivalry, and leadership in Rapier Combat. Members will be responsible for continued, conspicuous activity in Rapier Combat and for helping others become involved and proficient. The badge of the Order shall be: Sable, on a pale Or between two compass roses argent, a rapier sable. Companions of the Order shall be entitled to wear a white scarf emblazoned with the badge of the order, or the populace badges of the Kingdom of Northshield. It is closed to any new companions, but remains in law and custom as a place of high regard and honor.

X-1555 – The Ordo Circini Vitruvii

The Ordo Circini Vitruvii may be given to those who, over time, have demonstrated great prowess, chivalry, and leadership in rapier and/or cut-and-thrust combat. Members will be responsible for continued, conspicuous activity in rapier and/or cut-and-thrust combat and for helping others become involved and proficient in one or both. The Badge of the Order shall be: sable, a keythong maintaining a rapier in chief a caliper fesswise reversed argent.

X-1560 – The Order of the Aquila et Fulmen

The Order of the Aquila et Fulmen may be given to those who have, over time, demonstrated great prowess, chivalry, and leadership in one or more of the Artillery Arts. Members will be responsible for continued, conspicuous activity in Artillery and for helping others become involved and proficient. The Badge of the Order shall be: An eagle per pale Or and sable maintaining a lightning bolt sable and a lightning bolt Or.

X-1600 – The Estate of Court Barony

The Estate of Court Barony may be bestowed by the Crown to those who have, over time, demonstrated exceptional and continual service to the Crown. Recipients may wear a coronet of silver adorned with six pearls and ornamented as they see fit, and should be addressed as 'Your Excellency', and styled Baron or Baroness. A Court Barony carries with it a Grant of Arms to those not already holding one, and ranks ahead of other Grants of Arms in the Order of Precedence.

X-1650 – Order of the Rose

The Order of the Rose shall be open to retired Crown Consorts, as defined in the Governing Documents of our Society. It shall convey no additional precedence, except for those companions who received the honour in those kingdoms where it conveys a Patent of Arms.

ARTICLE XII—MISCELLANEOUS LAWS

XII-100

The research and display of medieval gunnery is to be permitted, but no weapon is to be discharged.

XII-200

A canton officer must copy the equivalent baronial officer of the canton's barony in all reports to the kingdom superior officer.

XII-400

Contracts with the modern world committing the Kingdom as a whole may be entered into with the approval of the Crown in consultation with the Stallari Council. The Stallari Council may need to act as the Kingdom Financial Committee if there is money involved. The authority to negotiate and sign a contract on behalf of the Kingdom as a whole is the duty of the Kingdom Seneschal or a designated representative that has been approved by the Stallari Council.

XII-700

No household, guild, association, etc., organized for the purpose of assassination or of slavery shall be allowed, as this does not meet with the basic principles of chivalric behavior. Assassination games may still be played with the advance knowledge and consent of the players. No activity, contest or publication that appears to condone or frivolously treat slavery shall be allowed in Northshield.

Signed this 9th day of April 2022

Sovereign of Northshield

Consort of Northshield

Seneschal of Northshield

Appendix A

Local Events with Perpetual Permission to Use Terms Suggesting Kingdom Patronage

Per Kingdom Law section I-341

- Northshield Rapier Academy
- Northshield Dance Seminar
- Northshield Heraldic and Scribal Symposium
- Northshield Princess's Sleeve Tournament (when it occurs as a stand-alone event)

Kingdom Event Schedule

Per Kingdom Law, I-350

The following are the Northshield kingdom events and the month they occur. Kingdom events occur on the weekend containing the second Saturday of the month.

Month	Kingdom Event
February	Kingdom Arts and Sciences
April	Spring Coronation
May	Spring Crown Tournament
September	Fall Coronation
October	Fall Crown Tournament
November	Stellar University of Northshield

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