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DEFINITIONS

Amendment to Law	An article of Principality Law that has been revised, deleted or in any way changed and has been approved and duly signed by the Crown, Coronet, Kingdom and Principality Seneschals.
Board of Directors	The Board of Directors, referred to as the BoD, of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc. (SCA).
Coronet	The Prince and Princess of the Summits acting jointly. They reign subject to Corpora, Kingdom and Principality Laws and the Crown of An Tir.
Coronet Consort	The inspiration of the victor in the Coronet Lists, invested with the title of Prince or Princess.
Coronet Event	An event where a Coronet Tournament or a Coronet Investiture takes place.
Coronet Sovereign	The victor in the Coronet Lists, invested with the title of Prince or Princess.
Corpora	The policies governing historical re-creation within the Society and those policies applicable to the entire Society.
Crown	The Sovereign and Consort of An Tir, acting jointly.
Curia	The council consisting of the Coronet and the officers of court and state, who are responsible for the business administration of the Principality.
Defender	The victor of the Defender's Tournament.
Heirs	The victor of the Coronet Tournament and Consort, titled Tanist and ban Tanist (or Tanista) for the period between the victory and the Investiture.
Member	Paid member of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc.
Moot	The term used for the business meeting held at each Coronet event.
Principality	A geographical area of the kingdom that has the right to select a reigning Prince and Princess by right of armoured combat.
Principality Event	An event where a Principality Championship takes place.
Proclamation	A directive from the Coronet that shall have effect only during the reign of the proclaiming Royalty, that may include Royal sanctions, banishments, tournament conventions, etc.
Royalty	The Crown, Crown Consort, Crown Prince, Crown Princess, Principality Prince, Principality Princess and Principality Heirs (Tanist and ban Tanist/Tanista).
SCA or SCA, Inc.	The Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc., a California not-for-profit corporation
Society	The entirety of the Society for Creative Anachronism (a worldwide group of affiliated organizations).
Subject/Resident	A person or group of people whose primary residence is in the Principality of the Summits, Kingdom of An Tir.

Article I. THE LAW

Article I. A. The Word of the Coronet

The word of the Coronet is law within the Principality. The Coronet acknowledges, and is subject to, modern law, the governing documents (Corpora and Policies) of the Society for Creative Anachronism (SCA, Inc.) and the current written Laws and Policies of the Kingdom of An Tir and the Principality of the Summits. The Coronet shall be cognizant of the rights and privileges of its vassals and subjects by tradition, custom, and usage.

Article I. B. Amendments to Principality Laws

- 1) The Laws of the Principality may be amended by the Coronet with the Crown's approval and after review by both the Kingdom and Principality Seneschals. Amendments to the Law must be submitted to the Crown of An Tir in writing and receive the Crown's signatures before being proclaimed.
- 2) The amendments must then be proclaimed at an official Summits event.
- 3) The amendments must be published in *the Crier* or any publication that is recognized as some form of the official newsletter of the Kingdom of An Tir. If the law changes are published in some format other than a regular monthly issue of *the Crier*, a notification of the law changes and where they will be published must appear in the next available edition of *the Crier* and *the Echoes*.
- 4) No provision of law shall be in effect nor shall any subjects be responsible for such provision until the specified proclamation and publications have taken place.

Article I. C. Editions of the Law

This is the current edition (September XLVIII, 2013 Gregorian) of the Laws of the Principality of the Summits, all earlier versions are repealed.

Article I. D. Publishing Schedule

The Laws of the Principality of the Summits will be published in full, annually in a Special Edition of the Echoes. The latest edition of the Laws shall be available on official Society website(s).

Article I. E. Additional Handbooks

The following documents are incorporated by reference in the Laws of the Principality of the Summits and shall be acknowledged as though they are part of Principality Law:

- 1) Summits Financial Policy
- 2) Summits Event Policy
- 3) Summits Officers Handbook
- 4) Summits Awards Handbook

Article II. THE CORONET

Article II. A. Duties of the Coronet of the Principality of the Summits

- 1) The duties, responsibilities and privileges of the Coronet are detailed in Corpora IV. H.

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- 2) The Coronet shall use Their power to defend and protect the Principality of the Summits and the Kingdom of An Tir.
- 3) The Coronet shall work to see that justice is done and that the glory that is the Principality of the Summits and the Kingdom of An Tir is in no way diminished.
- 4) The Coronet agrees to allow personal access information to be published in *the Crier* and *the Echoes* and on official society website(s).
- 5) The Coronet may delegate unto any subject the execution of Coronet power for a stated specific purpose such as transmission of an award to a person properly named and selected.
- 6) The Coronet will render an Oath of Fealty for Their lands at each Coronation of the Sovereign and Consort of An Tir. This Oath may be delivered by letter, but must be renewed in person at the first opportunity.
- 7) The Coronet shall provide a report on the State of the Principality to the Crown of An Tir at each Coronation. Copies shall be sent to the Tanist and ban Tanist, as applicable and may be sent to the Kingdom and Principality Seneschals.
- 8) The Coronet shall attend all Principality and Coronet events during Their reign.
- 9) The Coronet shall adhere to the policies set forth and defined in the Summits Financial Policy.

Article II. B. Proclamations

Proclamations shall be understood to be in effect only during the reign of the Coronet and shall lapse upon the Investiture of Their Successors.

Article II. C. Coronet Lists

- 1) The Coronet lists shall be fought at two Coronet Tournaments per year.
 - a. Spring Coronet Tournament – A weekend no sooner than the weekend before the Vernal Equinox and no later than the last weekend in March.
 - b. Fall Coronet Tournament – Third weekend in September.
- 2) All combatants and consorts must be:
 - a. Paid members of the SCA, Inc. and have access to official society websites.
 - b. A minimum of eighteen years of age.
 - c. A resident of the Principality for at least 1 year and must live within the Principality of the Summits for the duration of their reign. The Coronet may grant exceptions to this requirement, if requested in advance and if the Coronet is satisfied that the combatant and consort will meet all obligations.
- 3) All authorized fighters who meet the requirements of the Coronet lists stated above and are acceptable to the Coronet have the right to compete in the Coronet lists, unless they are in violation of the governing documents of the society, or the laws of the kingdom or principality.
- 4) Both combatant and consort must have their memberships and combatant's authorization status confirmed by the Principality Seneschal and Minister of the lists. Once confirmed, the combatant's name may be entered in the Coronet Lists.
- 5) All combatants and consorts must be present on the day of the Coronet Tournament and present themselves to the Coronet. The decision as to the acceptability of each participant rests solely with the Coronet and is final.
- 6) By entering the Coronet lists, a combatant declares that s/he has a consort of the opposite gender who has agreed to reign with them, should the combatant win; however should the Crown of An Tir elect to allow same sex couples in the Royal lists, the Coronet then has the option to allow same sex couples in the Summits Coronet lists.
- 7) No combatant may fight for more than one prospective consort and no person may have more than one combatant fighting for him/her in a given Coronet lists.

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- 8) During the invocation of the Coronet lists, all combatants and consorts shall declare that they:
 - a. Are loyal to the Crown of An Tir and the Coronet of the Summits
 - b. Will uphold the laws of the Kingdom of An Tir and the Principality of the Summits
 - c. Will respect the customs and traditions of the Kingdom of An Tir and Principality of the Summits.
- 9) Neither the Prince nor the Princess may fight or be fought for in the Coronet lists.
- 10) No one shall compete for the Coronet without intending to reign should they win.
- 11) Both combatant and consort are aware that the positions of Prince and Princess of the Summits may require expenditures in excess of membership fees and allowable reimbursements.

Article II. D. Combat Conventions

- 1) The Coronet lists combat conventions shall be determined by the Coronet.
- 2) The combat conventions will be published in The Echoes and posted on the official Summits website one month prior to the Coronet Tournament.

Article II. E. Lists Victory, Investiture of Tanist and ban Tanist (Tanista)

- 1) Upon victory of the Coronet Tournament, the victor and consort shall:
 - a. Be invested as the Coronet heirs and titled Tanist and ban Tanist (or Tanista).
 - b. Swear fealty to the Prince and Princess of the Summits and obedience to Kingdom and Principality laws.
 - c. Within ten days, provide proof of SCA memberships through the end of their upcoming reign to the Principality Seneschal.
 - d. Adhere to the policies set forth and defined in the Summits Financial Policy

Article II. F. Investiture of the Prince and Princess

- 1) The Investiture of the Prince and Princess shall take place at a Principality Coronet Investiture.
- 2) The Principality of the Summits shall have two Coronet Investitures which shall take place on the following calendar dates:
 - a. Summer Investiture – June weekend closest to Summer Solstice
 - b. Winter Investiture (11th Night) – Second weekend in December
- 3) At Their Investiture, the Coronet Heirs shall:
 - a. Swear fealty to the Crown of An Tir and obedience to the Laws of the Kingdom of An Tir. Should the Crown not be present to accept their oaths, written oaths shall be sent to the Crown upon Investiture and spoken oaths sworn in-person at the first opportunity.
 - b. Accept fealty from the Royal Peers, Peers and populace of the Principality of the Summits.
 - c. Be invested with the customary investiture ceremony for the Prince and Princess of the Principality of the Summits, incorporating their persona as they desire.

Article II. G. Tournament Invalidation, Failure to Invest

- 1) Should a Coronet Tournament be declared invalid or the Tanist and ban Tanist elect to abdicate via letter mailed to the Principality Seneschal, a Coronet Lists shall be called for the Saturday morning of Coronet Investiture.
- 2) This Coronet Investiture Lists shall be limited to currently eligible fighters who competed in the previous Coronet Lists.
- 3) A Tanist and ban Tanist who abdicate are explicitly excluded as both combatants and consorts from the Coronet Investiture lists.

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- 4) Any person or persons whose actions or inactions were the grounds for an invalidation of the Coronet Tournament are explicitly excluded as both combatant and consort from the Coronet Investiture Lists.
- 5) Should the Tanist and ban Tanist, through no fault of Their own, be unable to attend Their Investiture, such steps as necessary and acceptable to Them and the Coronet shall be taken that They may achieve Their Coronet. An announcement of the change will be made as soon as possible in the Echoes and official Summits website.

Article II. H. Failure to Reign

- 1) Should either the Prince or Princess be unable to complete the reign, or elect to abdicate, the other shall assume the duties of both for the remainder of the reign.
- 2) Should both Prince and Princess be unable to complete the reign, or elect to abdicate, administrative duties of the Coronet shall fall to the Defender of the Summits, who shall serve as Regent and the Coronet shall revert to the Crown of An Tir until such time as a Coronet Tournament may be held.
- 3) Failure of the Prince and Princess to attend a required Coronet event constitutes failure to reign and shall be taken as abdication unless the failure to attend is beyond the control of the Coronet and no failure to reign is demonstrated.
- 4) A letter from the Prince or Princess mailed to the Principality Seneschal indicating intent to abdicate constitutes official abdication.

Article II. I. The Regent

- 1) Should the Defender of the Summits be unable to fulfill the Regent's duties, the Crown shall appoint a Regent and the Defender of the Summits may not fight or be fought for in the next Coronet Tournament.
- 2) The Regent shall not have the authority to amend or change the Laws of the Principality, to make proclamations or to bestow awards.
- 3) Should the Coronet abdication occur without Coronet Heirs, the Regent shall immediately invest the victor and consort of the next Coronet Tournament as Prince and Princess.
- 4) The Regent may not fight or be fought for in the Coronet Lists.
- 5) Should Coronet abdication occur after a Coronet Tournament, the Regent shall invest the Tanist and ban Tanist as Prince and Princess at the next scheduled Investiture Event.

Article III. OFFICERS OF COURT AND STATE

Article III. A. Officer Responsibilities

All Officers of Court and State shall:

- 1) Be a paid member of the SCA Inc. and have access to *the Crier*, *the Echoes*, and official Summits website at their place of residence.
- 2) Be a minimum of eighteen years of age.
- 3) Be a resident of the Principality and active for at least one year prior to holding an office and reside within the Principality for the duration of their term of service.
- 4) Execute the lawful commands of the Crown of An Tir and the Coronet of the Summits and abide by Society, Kingdom and Principality Law and policies.
- 5) Swear an Oath of Fealty or Oath of Service to the Coronet of the Summits.
- 6) Carry out additional duties as are appropriate to their office and as directed by their Kingdom superior or the Coronet.

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- 7) Agree to allow personal contact information to be published in *the Crier* and *the Echoes* and on official society websites.
- 8) Attend the four Coronet Events each year (Spring Coronet, Summer Investiture, Fall Coronet and Winter Investiture), unless receiving an exemption from the Coronet.
- 9) Attend Moot at each Coronet Event.
- 10) No Principality Officer may hold more than one office at a time (i.e. a branch and/or a Principality and/or a Kingdom office at the same time). Exceptions may be granted by both of the relevant superior officers, in writing, with the concurrence of the Coronet (in the case of an Officer of Court) or the Principality Seneschal (in the case of an Officer of State) on a case-by-case basis.

Article III. B. Officers of Court – Principality Champions

- 1) Principality Champions are considered the Officers of the Royal Court.
 - a. Principality Champions are selected through competition rather than by appointment.
 - b. Champions shall serve for a period of one year or until the next applicable championship is held.
 - c. Should a Champion become an Heir to the Crown or Coronet, or is unable to fulfill the obligations of the position, that championship shall be surrendered and a suitable replacement appointed by the Coronet.
 - d. Champions shall be exempt from event fees for the event at which their successor is chosen.
- 2) All Principality Champions shall:
 - a. Stand armed near the Coronet at all events.
 - b. Bear and display the regalia of their position.
 - c. Further the interests of their area of endeavor.
 - d. Work with the appropriate Principality officer and assist with tournaments, championships, classes and teaching opportunities.
 - e. Work with the appropriate Principality officer or marshal to plan, organize and conduct the tournament or championship to determine their successor, with the concurrence of the Coronet.
 - f. Announce at events and publish on the official Summits website the rules and guidelines for the championship tournament/competition that will determine their successor.
- 3) Designations of Champions:
 - a. The Coronet shall determine and create such titled champions as they deem necessary.
 - b. The Champions of the Principality of the Summits are:
 - i. Defender of the Summits (Heavy Champion)
 - ii. Alpine Scholar (Arts and Sciences Champion)
 - iii. Captain of Eagles (Archery Champion)
 - iv. Captain of Cats (Rapier Champion)
 - v. Outrider of the Summits (Equestrian Champion)
 - vi. Bard of the Summits (Bardic Champion)
 - vii. Kapitan Serebra Tigra *Captain of the Silver Tiger* (Princess' Cut & Thrust Champion)

Article III. C. Officers of State

- 1) All officers of state of the Principality of the Summits are responsible for carrying-out the laws and business affairs of the principality.
- 2) The greater officers of the Principality of the Summits shall be: Principality Seneschal, Bleu Grael Herald, Earl Marshal, Chancellor of the Exchequer, Minister of Arts and Sciences, Chronicler, Chatelaine, Chirurgeon, Gryphon Scribe, and Family Activities Coordinator.

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- 3) The lesser officers of the Principality of the Summits shall be the Principality Webminister.
- 4) All officers of state shall:
 - a. Be appointed by the existing officer and the Kingdom superior with the concurrence of the Coronet.
 - b. File quarterly reports according to Kingdom Law, Article III.D.
 - c. Provide copies of all quarterly reports to their Kingdom superior, the Coronet, Coronet Heirs and Principality Seneschal.
 - d. Attend Moot at the four Coronet events and provide a report on the status of their office and their branch officers. An officer may receive an exemption from attending a specific Moot by the Principality Seneschal with the concurrence of the Coronet; however the Contingency Deputy or a designated representative must attend in the officer's stead and provide the report.
 - e. Select and warrant a Contingency Deputy within sixty days of assuming office. The Contingency Deputy shall:
 - i. Fulfill officer responsibilities as shown in Article III.A.1-7
 - ii. Administer the duties of the office of the principality superior officer if, for whatever reason, the principality superior officer cannot continue in that role.
 - iii. Not be a spouse or partner of the principality superior officer
 - iv. Not serve as a Contingency Deputy to more than one office without the written permission of both superior officers and the Principality Seneschal.
 - v. Serve at the pleasure of their principality superior officer.
 - f. Maintain regular communication, encourage and assist their subordinate branch officers and deputies in the performance of their required duties to ensure the smooth and efficient functioning of the Principality.
 - g. Maintain standard business practices, including responding to telephone calls, e-mail communications and standard mail within seventy-two hours (three days).
 - h. Appoint deputies as deemed necessary for the functioning of their office.
 - i. Follow superior officers' lawful directives as long as they are in compliance with Society, Kingdom and Principality Law and Policies and/or directives from the Crown or Coronet. Any directive that constitutes a conflict shall be reported immediately to the Crown or Coronet.
 - j. Create rules, regulations, reporting standards and policy relating to their specific office. Any such rules, regulations, reporting standards and policies are subject to the approval of and modification by their superior officer, the Crown and/or Coronet of the Summits.
 - k. Be reimbursed for allowable expenses as defined in the Principality of the Summits' Financial Policy.
 - l. Be responsible for overseeing their area of responsibility at Coronet and Principality Events or assign an acceptable representative to act in their stead, with the approval of the Principality Seneschal and concurrence of the Coronet.
- 10) Should an officer be unable to complete their term of office, the position shall be considered open and the Contingency Deputy shall serve as Interim Officer until a new officer is selected.
- 11) Should the Contingency Deputy be unable to fulfill the office, the Principality Seneschal shall appoint an Interim Officer with the concurrence of the Coronet.
- 12) Appointment to Office, Terms of Office, Warrants and Removal from Office:
 - a. Appointment to Office

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- i. Applications for a Principality office of state position shall be made in writing to the incumbent officer with copies provided to the Coronet, Coronet Heirs (if applicable), incumbent officer's Kingdom superior and the Principality Seneschal.
 - ii. Applications for a Principality office of state shall include the following: a letter of intent, SCA resume and modern resume.
 - iii. The Coronet and Principality Seneschal shall perform a six month review of a new Principality officer's performance and shall report their conclusions to the kingdom superior.
 - iv. All Principality officers serve at the pleasure of the Coronet and Kingdom superior officer.
- b. Term of Office
- i. A term of office is considered to be two years.
 - ii. A maximum of two one-year term extensions –or- a second two year term of office may be granted with the concurrence of the Kingdom superior and Coronet.
 - iii. A former officer may apply for their previous position after a minimum of two years out-of-office.
 - iv. The end-of-term date for an officer shall appear in the officer listings in *The Echoes* and on the official Summits web site.
 - v. Notification will be published in the Royal Summons in *the Crier* and *the Echoes* at least three months in advance of the upcoming end-of-term for each Principality Officer of State position. At such time, the office will be considered "open" and applications will be accepted.
- c. Warrants
- i. The Principality Seneschal shall be provided with a Warrant of Appointment to Executive Office; duly signed by the Kingdom Seneschal and the Coronet.
 - ii. The Principality Exchequer shall be provided with a Warrant of Appointment to Financial Office, duly signed by the Kingdom Exchequer and the Coronet.
 - iii. Other Principality officers are warranted by their Kingdom superior.
 - iv. All Principality officers shall present their current Warrant Roster for signature, at each Coronet Investiture, for their specific area of over-sight, which lists all Contingency Deputies, Branch officers and Branch Contingency Deputies. The Warrant Roster is to be signed by the Principality officer and the Coronet and kept in the Principality Officers' files.
- d. Removal from Office
- Grounds for dismissal by the Coronet and/or the Kingdom superior officer shall include, but not be limited to the following:
- i. The officer has demonstrated a substantial failure to perform the duties of the office after having been given notice of the nature of the failed duties and having been given two consecutive quarters (six months) to correct said failures.
 - ii. The effectiveness of the officer has been impaired to a substantial degree due to a breakdown in the officer's ability to deal with the Coronet, the kingdom superior officer, the officer's deputies and subordinates or the populace with whom the officer must work.
 - iii. The officer has willfully abused the office by using it to hinder or annoy others or to advance some purpose inconsistent with the trust of that office.
 - iv. The officer has failed to submit a quarterly report according to Kingdom Law Article III D.

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- v. The officer has demonstrated a failure to abide by Society, Kingdom and/or Principality Law and Policy.

Article IV. REPORTS

Article IV. A. Principality Officer Reporting

- 1) Principality officers shall submit a written Quarterly Report as per Kingdom Law Article III.D. to their Kingdom superior, the Coronet, the Coronet Heirs (as applicable), Principality Seneschal, and to any others required by Society, Kingdom and Principality Law and/or Policy.
- 2) The calendar year is divided into the following reporting quarters:
 - a. January, February and March (First Quarter) due May 15th
 - b. April, May, and June (Second Quarter) due August 15th.
 - c. July, August, September (Third Quarter) due November 15th.
 - d. October, November, and December (Fourth Quarter) due February 15th.
- 3) Vacant Offices:
 - a. Should a Contingency Deputy not be able to fulfill the duties of a Principality Officer's position, the Principality Seneschal shall assume the reporting duties of said office, with the exception of the Office of the Chancellor of the Exchequer, until a suitable officer can be installed.

Article IV. B. Branch Officer Reporting

- 1) Branch officers shall submit a written quarterly report as per Kingdom Law Article III.D. to their Principality superior, the branch Seneschal and the Baron and Baroness (as applicable) of the branch.
- 2) The reporting quarters are:
 - a. January, February and March (First Quarter) due May 1st.
 - b. April, May, and June (Second Quarter) due August 1st.
 - c. July, August, September (Third Quarter) due November 1st.
 - d. October, November, and December (Fourth Quarter) due February 1st.
- 3) Branch officers shall report pursuant to the direction of their Principality superior, including the use of required reporting formats and/or forms.
- 4) Branch officers shall report with greater reporting frequency, at the direction of their Principality superior, when a reporting structure has been put into place to ensure the smooth running of said office.
- 5) Should there be no Principality superior or designated reporting officer, branch officers shall report directly to their Kingdom superior.
- 6) The branch Seneschal shall be responsible for submitting quarterly reports for all vacant branch offices to the relevant Principality officer(s). The report shall include the branch Seneschal's contact information, statement of vacancy, any potential officer candidates and any activities related to the office.
- 7) The branch officer shall submit a monthly report to their branch Seneschal at the branch monthly business meeting and shall supply a copy to their Principality superior as requested or required, including the use of required reporting formats and/or forms.

Article IV. C. Failure to report at branch level - Consequences

- 1) Failure of a branch officer to report to their Principality superior on two consecutive reporting periods, or twice in a twelve-month span of time, will result in the suspension of that officer.

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- 2) Suspension of a branch officer will be in force until reinstatement by the Coronet, Principality Seneschal and their Principality superior.
- 3) The suspension of a branch officer, especially of the critical offices of Seneschal and/or Exchequer, can result in that branch passing into abeyance.
- 4) Should a branch officer remain in suspension for a full reporting period, the office will be considered vacant and applications will be accepted for a new officer
- 5) At the discretion of the Coronet and Principality Seneschal branches in abeyance may be passed over as a hosting branch of Coronet and Principality events.
- 6) At the discretion and advice of the Coronet, Principality Seneschal, Kingdom Seneschal, and New Branches Deputy (if applicable). Branches in abeyance or with poor reporting records for any office risk demotion back to Incipient Status.

Article V. AWARDS

Article V. A. Awards within the Principality of the Summits

- 1) The power to bestow all awards flows from the Crown.
 - a. Any subject may make recommendations to the Crown and Coronet regarding any level of award.
 - b. It is the duty of those with administrative responsibilities to bring forward the names of individuals deserving of recognition.
- 2) No branch or other entity below Baronial level may bestow awards.
 - a. Shires and other branch entities below Baronial level may give tokens and scrolls of praise and recognition.
- 3) The Principality Coronets, with the permission of the Crown, may bestow Award of Arms to subjects of the Principality of the Summits per Kingdom Law IV.C.
 - a. The names of the Crown shall be incorporated into the text of the scroll or charter.
 - b. The Coronet shall request permission to bestow Awards of Arms at the commencement of each reign.
- 4) The Crown of An Tir grants the Principality Coronets the privilege of offering a Patent of Arms to those who have attained the rank of Viscounty as outlined in Corpora VIII.A.4.d and per Kingdom Law IV.C.3.c.

Article V. B. Creation of Awards

- 1) The Coronet of the Principality of The Summits shall create awards for the recognition of subjects of the Principality per Kingdom Law Article IV.C.3.b.
 - a. Principality awards must be ratified by the Laurel Sovereign of Arms.
 - b. The precedence of these awards shall be determined by the Crown of An Tir.

Article V. C. Summits Awards – Non Armigerous Awards and Honours

Non-Armigerous awards do not confer the right to bear arms. Non-Armigerous awards have no bearing on an individual's standing in the Order of Precedence.
The listing of awards of the Principality of the Summits can be found in the Summits Awards Handbook.

Article VI. COUNCILS

Article VI. A. Designation of Councils

The Coronet shall determine and create such subordinate administrative bodies as they deem necessary.

Article VI. B. The Council of the Exchequer

- 1) The Council of the Exchequer is the Financial Committee of the Principality of the Summits and shall consist of the Coronet, the Coronet Heirs (when applicable), the Principality Seneschal and the Principality Exchequer.
- 2) All requests and proposals for the use of Principality monies for any and all expenses must be submitted in writing to the Council of the Exchequer. The consent of a majority of the Council of the Exchequer is needed to disburse monies, with the exception of pre-approved officer budgets, as stated in the Summits Financial Policy.
- 3) The Council of the Exchequer shall create and maintain the Summits Financial Policy. The Summits Financial Policy shall:
 - a. Be approved by the Kingdom Chancellor of the Exchequer.
 - b. Be published annually in *the Echoes* and on the official Summits website.
 - c. Have changes announced via *The Echoes* and on the official Summits website.
 - d. Include designated funds overseen by the Principality.
 - i. Designated fund balances must be published quarterly in *The Echoes* and be reported at every Moot.
 - ii. Designated funds include the Principality travel fund and the gryphon travel fund.
- 4) The Council of the Exchequer will meet at each Coronet event. Other meetings may be called as needed to conduct Principality business.
- 5) On-line discussions between members of the Council constitute a meeting, providing all Council members are included and a written response, by each member, to the on-line discussion is documented.
- 6) The Council of the Exchequer and all branches within the Principality shall adhere to all policies as stated within the current Summits Financial Policy.

Article VI. C. Moot


- 1) There shall be a Moot at each Coronet Event.
- 2) Moot shall be the business meeting for the Principality. All members of the populace may attend. Moot is the forum for:
 - a. Principality officers of state and court to discuss the status of their office, projects and goals.
 - b. Branch Seneschals to give reports on the status of their branch and branch events
 - c. Event Stewards to provide reports on the status of Coronet and Principality events that will take place within the next six months following Moot.
 - d. The populace to discuss areas of opportunity and provide positive input for the future of the Principality
- 3) Principality officers of state and court, Branch Seneschals and Coronet and Principality Event Stewards, or a representative, must attend Moot.
- 4) All Principality officers shall submit a written report covering the status of their office to the Principality Seneschal and Chronicler 72 hours prior to a Coronet event.
- 5) Event Stewards of Coronet and Principality Events must attend Moot and provide a report on the status of their specific event.

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- 6) Event Stewards of any Coronet or Principality event that will take place within the next six months following Moot shall submit a written report covering the status of the event. This report shall be submitted to the Principality Seneschal 72 hours prior to a Coronet event.
- 7) Branch Event Stewards, or a representative, are encouraged to provide updates and announcements for all Branch events that will occur within the Principality over the next six months.

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Signed this 1st day of December, AS XLVIII, being 2013 Gregorian

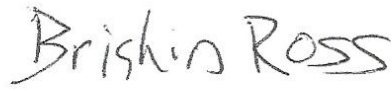

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