

FINAL COURT OF THE KING AND QUEEN

The last court is final time that the current King and Queen have the opportunity to give awards, change laws and do other Royal activities. The Royal guards and the household need to be released and any other functionaries appointed for the reign need to be acknowledged and released.

By the finish of the last Court only the King and Queen should be at the Thrones (*this makes for an impressive and clean get away during the Coronation of the successor*).

There are several people in positions attached to the Court, who need to be released from their duties and fealty before The Coronation Ceremony. This is important, in that these positions are to be filled with new people, and tokens need to be returned so that they may be used for the Coronation Ceremony.

Normally when releasing these people, Her Majesty will get the baldrics back, and thank them for their service. She may give some sort of token or parting gift as well.

Queen's Guard and Knight Counselor to the Queen's Guard

Queen's Champion

Royal Household - this should be done close to the time that Her Majesty gives the Queen's Cyphers, normally before She gives the Cyphers out.

Usually, Her Majesty will give any parting gifts she has to give, and most of the Court will leave (freeing up space behind the thrones for Coronation). A few members of the household should stick around to assist with any final pieces of business before Coronation, and with Coronation itself. If Her Majesty wishes to present members of Her Court with the Queen's Cypher, it is easier if most of them are not behind the thrones.

General Form:

- 1) Call person(s)
- 2) Thank person(s)
- 3) Release from Fealty (if any)
- 4) Take token back (if any)
- 5) Dismiss (*person returns to the populous*)

Schedule for Last Court

general awards from the Crown

Lochac Order of Grace (this is a once per reign award and this is the Last Court, the traditional time to give this award).

Release Royal office/functionaries

Release King's guard

Release Queen's guard

Queen's cyphers

Close court

prepare for Coronation