## **COCKATRICE**

## Ceremony and Text for the Cockatrice and a Grant of Arms

PREPARATION: The herald should if at all possible, determine whether the Grantee has a device registered and obtain the blazon for the device from the Armorial, to include in the text given below.

Scroll/Promissory: Scroll if prepared, Promissory otherwise.

Token: None

Herald: Chivalry, courtesy, and excellence in Arts and Sciences uphold the Kingdom. The artisans of the Kingdom enrich and beautify the Realm, and without them all would be lesser in stature and grace. To recognise this in the 44th year of the Society the Crown of Lochac established the Order of the Cockatrice. This Order recognises those whose artistic endeavours are worthy of renown, whose exceptional skill is only exceeded by their courtesy, honour and chivalry.

Herald: Let [name] come now before Their Majesties.

(The subject shall come and kneel before the King and Queen.)

King/Queen: Mindful of your great service to this Our Kingdom, We are minded to add you [name] to the Order of the Cockatrice.

## **NO GRANT**

If the newest member does not already have a Grant of Arms

Herald: It is the privilege of the Crown to honour with a Grant of Arms those of Their subjects whose endeavours have enriched the Realm.

(If a scroll is present, it should be read at this point, otherwise, read the text below.)

Herald: (name) whereas it has come to Our notice that through your great efforts you have significantly enriched Our Realm, it is thus Our pleasure to reward you with a Grant of Arms, (*if the recipient's device is registered add*: to wit [Blazon]).

Done by Our word and hand this [day] day of [month], Anno Societatis [year].

(kname), King (qname), Queen

**CONTINUE** 

(The King and Queen may add any additional words which they have to enlighten the populace as to the virtues of the Grantee. If the scroll is done, then they will hand the Grantee the scroll.)



King/Queen: You now have Our leave to depart.

Herald: For [name] newest member of the Order of the Cockatrice, Hip hip! (\*3)