

Duchy



Token:	Coronet
Preparation:	Discuss with recipients when this ceremony will take place, whether they will be called up individually or as a pair, whether they will swear fealty, and what titles they wish to take up. If the outgoing Consort is not yet a member of the Rose, discuss whether they wish to be named as such during this ceremony, or separately.

Herald: Let [Name] come before their Majesties.

Recipient comes forward.

Herald: [Name], you have twice ruled as [Title], and We wish to recognise your service to Our Kingdom. That all may know of your great works, We would ennoble you and recognise you with the highest rank it is in Our power to grant you.

The Crown takes the hands of the recipient between theirs.

Herald: [Name], we recognise and elevate you as a [Duke/Duchess], within Our Kingdom and across the Known World.

We honour your service to Lochac, and swear to protect you as Our loyal and beloved subject. Let all know that an insult to you is an insult to Our Court, Our Crowns and Our Kingdom, and it will be honoured as such.

We charge you to remember this: we have named you as a [Duke/Duchess] of Lochac, for as long as the Kingdom stands, and We charge that you always walk as though in Our presence, with honour and duty-bound.

The Crown places the coronet on the recipient's head.

Crown: Wear this coronet as a symbol of your estate and Our esteem.

(If the Order of the Rose is being incorporated:)

Herald: [Name], as one who has reigned as Consort, a symbol of inspiration and grace for the Kingdom of Lochac, we further name you a Companion of the Rose, so that this special service can be recognised as it has been for the members of the Coronaria and the Rose who came before you. We bid you to offer your support to future Crowns and their Heirs, and to encourage chivalry and courteous behaviour among all the people of our Kingdom.

(If swearing fealty:)

Herald: Before [Name] and [Name], your undoubted [Title] and [Title], do you swear fealty to the Crown and Kingdom of Lochac, and do you swear that you will uphold their Majesties' honour, obey their lawful commands in all matters that concern the Kingdom, and mindful that the harmony of the Kingdom springs from your deeds, treat all persons with courtesy, whatever their degree or station, until the Crown depart their Throne, death take you, or the world end?

Recipient: I so swear.

Crown: And We for Our part do swear fealty to you, and do swear to protect and defend you and all your households with all Our power, until We depart Our Throne, or death take Us, or the world end.

So say We, Lochac.

Herald: [Duke/Duchess] [Full Name], you hold, and We confirm, the rank, rights and title of a Royal Peer of the Realm.

We furthermore confirm your right to bear arms by letters Patent, being: [*blazon of recipient's registered arms/"such device as you may properly register with our heralds"*], in the Kingdom of Lochac and throughout the Known World.

Be it known that their Majesties, [Title] [Name] and [Title] [Name], do by their words here proclaimed, confer great honour upon their subject, [Full Name], and do recognise them as [Title] within the Kingdom of Lochac, and to the ends of the Known World.

Done this [day] of [month], Anno Societatis [year].
(Hip hip, etc)