

Empire of Adammia Office of the Emperor

Decree XL Heraldry

We, the Adammic Imperial Majesty, do hereby issue the following Decree, establishing a system of heraldry within the Empire of Adammia.

Noting that the Supreme Directive of the Empire of Adammia declares Adammia to be a sovereign state, We deem it no longer appropriate for heraldry within the Empire to be governed by a foreign entity. Thus, we henceforth declare that the College of Arms of England no longer has heraldic authority over any Adammic territories surrounded by the country of England within the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

We hereby declare that the Office of the Emperor shall have full authority over heraldry within all territories of the Empire of Adammia. We hereby declare that only the following individuals are entitled to a personal coat of arms recognised by the Office of the Emperor as valid within Adammia: the members of the Imperial Family, as defined by Our twenty-second Imperial Decree; the members of the Order of Adammia; and the members of the Ordo Vladius. We hereby declare that if any individual who is not entitled to a personal coat of arms displays or otherwise attempts to use a personal coat of arms, that individual shall have committed the crime of Impersonation of an Armiger, and thus shall be liable for a fine payable to Our Majesty's Imperial Treasury of no greater than fifteen Great British Pounds Sterling. We hereby declare that the Office of the Emperor must approve any personal coats of arms which a member of the Order of Adammia wishes to use, and must keep records of all coats of arms of the Imperial Family and the Order of Adammia. If a member of the Order of Adammia does not have their coat of arms approved by the Office of the Emperor then they too will have committed the crime of Impersonation of an Armiger and will be liable to be penalised as detailed above. We hereby declare that all of the territorial subdivisions of the Empire may also have their own coat of arms, which themselves must also be approved and recorded by the Office of the Emperor; the landed noble of the subdivision has the responsibility of proposing its coat of arms to the Office of the Emperor for approval. No government department, government agency, company, political party or sports association may use its own coat of arms, though government departments and agencies may use elements from the national Coat of Arms of Adammia in their logos.

This, the fortieth Imperial Decree of Our Imperial Majesty Emperor Adam the First, is decreed at Adamsville in the Province of Primoria on the tenth day of June, two-thousand and sixteenth year of the Common Era and the fourth year of Our reign, and is signed into immediate effect. *Adamus Primus Imperator* 10th June 2016 00:27 X.VI.MMXVI CLXII.IV.ADAMVS I