



WHEREAS—The Baroness of the Barony of Western Seas, being the personification of Grace, Beauty and Courtesy, is entitled to gather about Her Person a body of Men-at-Arms for the purpose of aiding Her in any martial endeavor She may require, We do therefore create the Baroness' Guard of Western Seas. The Members of the guard shall be chosen from the unbelted members of the Barony who have displayed the qualities of Courtesy, Chivalry and Martial Prowess upon the field.

WHERAS—Archery is a recognized Martial form, therefore it is Her Excellency's right to include Archers in Her Guard, provided they meet the aforementioned requirements.

WHERAS—The defense of the Barony of Western Seas is the responsibility of All who dwell therein, Nevertheless, the Baroness is the benefactor of the Guard and is entitled to their first loyalty.

WHERAS—Any group, in order to effectively achieve its' goals, should be provided with some form of leadership, We do therefore appoint the Baronial Champion as the Captain of the Guard. Although the Captain of the Guard need not be a member of said, he will be responsible for its actions.

WHERAS—It is desirable that these individuals be distinguished from the Populace, We do therefore charge that the Men-at-Arms receive a Garter, Vert, charged with the Baronial badge and the Baroness' personal charge. Archers shall receive a Garter, Or, charged as previously mentioned. This Garter is to be worn on the left side of the person in such a manner so as to be visible and tasteful.

WHERAS—Martial Prowess is most readily recognized by the Members of the Guard, they may therefore recommend to Her Excellency those they consider worthy of this honor. However, it is the sole right of the Baroness to elevate individuals to this rank.

WHERAS—In order to facilitate decision-making within the Guard, We do therefore state the following rules:

1. All decisions concerning the Guard shall be decided by a simple majority vote.
2. Both Archers and Men-at-Arms shall receive full voting privileges in all matters.
3. All members promoted to the rank of Knight or Master-at-Arms shall retain the right to attend all meetings and to state opinions but shall relinquish the privilege of voting.
4. A disputed member shall have his voting privilege suspended until the dispute is resolved.

WHERAS—Elevation to the Baroness' Guard is the highest honor this Barony can offer to an individual, therefore the rank is permanent unless the Baroness and the entire voting Company of the Guard agree that a disputed Member is guilty of blatant Acts unbecoming to a Member of the Guard.

THUS DO WE SIGN THIS 2ND DAY OF OCTOBER, A.S. XVI

Baroness Clymère of Tymberlyne Heights