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East Kingdom

Internal Letter of Decision

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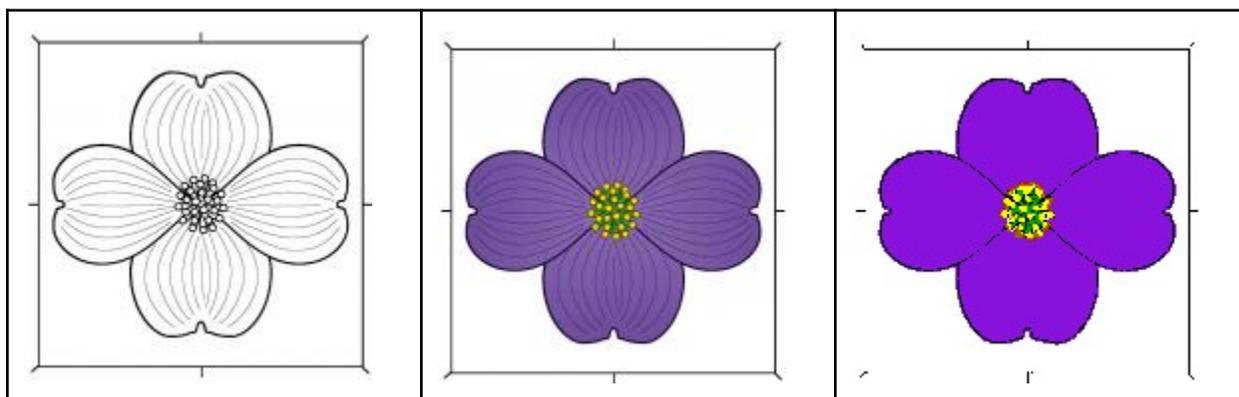
To the most noble members of the East Kingdom College of Heraldry, greetings! You will find below the decisions rendered on the submissions for the Internal Letter of Intent issued on 01/07/2023.

Many thanks to the following commenters who provided assistance this month:
Alys Ogress, Basil Lions Heart, Beatrice Green Staff, Drasma Seahorse, Eleazar ha-Levi, Gunnvor Orle, Herveus Morsulus, Iago Frankley, Jeanne Marie Palimpsest, Mathghamhain Ua Ruadháin, Ryan Skunk, Sláine Diademe, and Yehuda ben Moshe.

Your commentary and insights are always greatly appreciated.

1: Alienor Salton

Action	Description	Decision
New Badge	(Fieldless) A new-world dogwood blossom purple seeded Or	Returned



Notes:

This badge must be returned for conflict with several other pieces of armory. Per SENA Appendix M1i, there is no DC for difference between types of few-petalled flowers affronty, and this badge therefore conflicts with all of the following:

- Ginevra Rodney: *(Fieldless) A wild ginger flower purple and Argent ermined vert, a wild ginger flower purple.*
- Seamus a' Chnuic Ghuirm: *Argent, a trillium purple barbed vert and seeded Or.*

Additionally, because per precedent a *periwinkle proper* counts as both *purple* and *azure* (Kiera nic an Bhaird, 11/1997, R-Meridies), this badge also conflicts with the device of Alyanora of Vinca, *Argent, a periwinkle (vinca minor) proper*. In all four cases, there is only one DC for the change of field.

2: Appleholm, Canton of

Action	Description	Decision
New Household Name	Companie of the Grate Whyt Whey	Forwarded

Spelling (as given) most important.

The name change from *Canton of Whyt Whey* to *Canton of Appleholm* appears elsewhere on this letter due to the weirdnesses of OSCAR formatting. This Canton is located on the island of Manhattan in New York City.

From the consulting herald:

For context, the canton's existing name is a reference to one of our most famous landmarks, the Great White Way, a modern name for a stretch of Broadway in Manhattan's Theater District where bright outdoor lighting was first introduced at the start of the twentieth century. As we prepare to change our canton's name to reflect a new generation of participants, we would like to preserve the old name as part of our history, ideally in the form our founders originally intended. Including the word 'Great' / 'Grate' would help to communicate their intended theatrical reference while avoiding a potentially offensive misreading of the name as racially exclusionary.

Company is an English designator for non-personal names found in SENA Appendix E.

Companie is a period English spelling of company found in the Middle English Dictionary s.v. cōmpaignē dated to circa 1450.

Company of place name is an attested pattern for household names [See, e.g., Oskar of the Wood. Household name Company of Crescent Keep, 3/2019 LoAR, A-East].

Grate Whyt Whey is intended as a constructed compound English place name.

Whyt Whey is the Canton's current registered name, until the name change on this letter is accepted. Therefore, the Canton should be able to continue to use this place name under the Existing Registration Allowance, NPN1C2g.

However, should the Existing Registration Allowance not apply, **Whyt wey** can be documented as an interpolated spelling of an attested English place name. *Whiteway* is a place name in Dorset, derived from the highly-visible hillside road worn by centuries of traffic exposing the underlying bright white chalk. Period spellings include *Whyteweye* dated to 1329 in J. Hutchins, *The History and Antiquities of the County of Dorset* (3rd edition), ed. W. Shipp and J. W. Hodson, 1861-70

(<https://epns.nottingham.ac.uk/browse/Dorset/Church+Knowle/5328528cb47fc4099d000909>)

Whyt is a period English spelling of 'white' found in the MED s.v. *whīt* adj. dated to circa 1390. *Wey* is a plausible variant spelling of the attested *waie*, *way*, *waye*, *wegh*, *wei*, *wey*, and *weye*, all found in the MED s.v. *wei* n.(1).

Great is an adjective that may appear before English place names, as documented in "Compound Placenames in English" by Juliana de Luna (<http://medievalscotland.org/jes/EnglishCompoundPlacenames/>), with examples such as *Greate Aston* (1619), *Great Barre* (1322), *Great Langeton* (1223) and *Greate Stanmore* (1392). **Grate** is an attested period English spelling of 'great' found in the MED s.v. *grēt* dated around 1470.

Putting this all together, **Companie of Grate Whyt Whey** follows a period pattern for naming guilds and households. The Canton would prefer if the form **Companie of the Grate Whyt Whey** can be documented, to emphasize the reference to Broadway.

Notes:

Commenters at Kingdom raised the question of whether this household name presumes upon "Great White Way" as a name for the NYC street *Broadway*. Jeanne Marie Palimpsest sums up the argument concisely:

It appears as an entry in dictionaries, such as Webster's New World College Dictionary, 4th Edition, <https://www.collinsdictionary.com/us/dictionary/english/great-white-way>, and Merriam-Webster, <https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/Great%20White%20Way>. As a counterpoint, while the Collins definition refers only to Broadway, the M-W definition is broader, "a street brilliantly lighted at night and devoted chiefly to public amusements (as theaters)". Even the online Encyclopedia Britannica (<https://www.britannica.com/topic/Broadway-street-and-district-New-York-City>) only mentions in passing that it's a nickname for Broadway, stating "and in the 1890s the brilliantly lighted street became known as "the Great White Way.""

As presumption is a question for Pelican, we raise this for her consideration.

3: Appleholm, Canton of

Action	Description	Decision
New Branch Name Change	Appleholm, Canton of	Forwarded

Old Item: *Whyt Whey, Canton of*, to be released.

Language (English) most important.

Meaning (Apple Island) most important.

Appleholm is a constructed Middle English place name.

Apple is an English word for a variety of tree-borne fruit. The Middle English Dictionary (s.n. appel) provides an example from *Boece* (circa 1380). Chaucer's translation of a work by Boethius: "And autumpne comith ayein hevvy of apples."

The Cambridge Dictionary of English Place-Names (Watts) provides examples of its use in compound place names such as Applby, Appleford, and Appleton.

Holm is an element of English place names meaning 'land rising from the water, such as islands in a harbor or a meadow by the side of a stream.' The Middle English Dictionary (s.n. hōlm) provides an example for *Promptorium Parvulorum* (1440). Anglicus Galfridus's Middle English-to-Latin dictionary: "Holm, of a sonde yn the see."

English Place-Name Elements (Smith, s.n. holmr) provides examples of its use in compound place names with varieties of plants such as Brackenholm, Bromholm and Dockholm.

A petition of support from our Branch Officers is included with this submission.

We, the undersigned members and officers of the Canton currently known as Whyt Whey, in the East Kingdom's Crown Province of Østgarðr, hereby affirm our support for changing the name of our branch to the Canton of Appleholm.

Signed by

Alienor Salton, Canton Seneschal 12/11/2022

Ibrahim al-Rashid, Canton Exchequer 12/11/2022

Mathghamhain Ua Ruadháin, Canton Herald 12/11/2022 and

Angelica di Nova Lipa, Canton Chatelaine 12/11/2022

Notes:

The petition of support has been signed by all five of the Canton's officers, including one who signed after the Blue Tyger office received the paperwork. This fulfills the Admin Handbook requirement that any such petition be signed by at least three-quarters of the branch's officers.

4: Ayden Jenour

Action	Description	Decision
New Name	Ayden Jenour	Forwarded

Submitter has no desire as to gender.
No major changes.
Spelling (as submitted) most important.

Ayden is a late 16th century English surname that can be used as a given name. It is found in the FamilySearch Historical Records:

Margaret Ayden; Female; Christening; 5 Mar 1586; Great Edstone, York, England; Batch: K04022-2 (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:NP3C-V4N>)

Cicilie Ayden; Female; Christening; 10 Jan 1589; Great Edstone, York, England; Batch: K04022-2 (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:NYRQ-5WY>)

K batches are valid batches per the January 2014 Cover Letter.

Jenour is an English surname dated to 1327 in Reaney & Wilson s.n. Jenner

Notes:

5: Bak Nabi

Action	Description	Decision
New Name	Bak Nabi	Forwarded
New Device	Per bend indented purpure and argent, in bend sinister a butterfly Or and a fox passant guardant proper	Forwarded



Submitter desires a feminine name.
 Language (Not Specified) most important.
 Culture (Not Specified) most important.

The elements and pattern of the name are found in "Korean Names from the 13th & 14th Centuries (Goryeo)" by Herveus d'Ormonde (<http://heraldry.sca.org/names/Korean-names-Goryeo.pdf>).

Korean names are in the form of a one syllable clan name, followed by a one or two syllable given name. Romanization here uses the Revised Romanization (RR) System.

Page 5: Clan Names: **Bak**

Page 6: First syllable given names: **Na**

Page 10 Second syllable of given names: **-bi**

Notes:

The art for the armory as submitted appeared on a nonstandard escutcheon shape, which would be grounds for return. However, Gunnvor Orle provided new art to correct this, which the submitter has approved, so we are able to forward this item. The new art will appear on the external letter; we thank Orle for her work.

6: Cristina Volpina

Action	Description	Decision
New Release	Shimazu Akame	Forwarded

of Alternate Name		
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The submitter has requested the release of this alternate name.

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7: Cristina Volpina

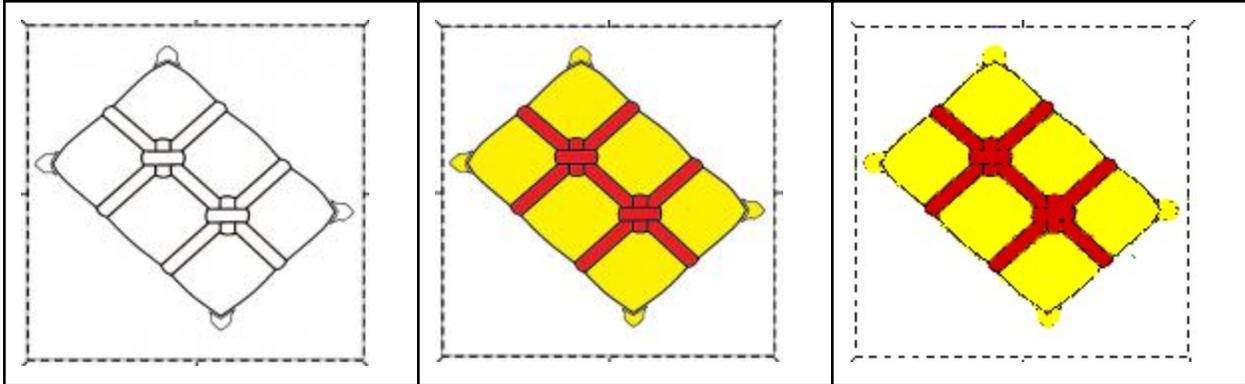
Action	Description	Decision
New Release of Badge	Gules, in pale an annulet Or and a goutte argent conjoined	Forwarded

The submitter has requested the release of this badge.

Notes:

8: Iulius Crispinus Libo

Action	Description	Decision
New Name Change	Iulius Crispinus Libo	Forwarded
New Badge Change	(Fieldless) A bag of madder bendwise Or tied gules	Forwarded



Old Item: *Cristina Volpina*, to be released.

Old Item: *Gules, on a bezant a sun-cross gules*, to be released.

Submitter desires a masculine name.

Culture (Roman) most important.

Iulius is a nomen found in "A Simple Guide to Imperial Roman Names" by Ursula Georges (<https://heraldry.sca.org/names/roman.html#nomen>).

Crispinus is a cognomen found in A Study of the Cognomina of Soldiers in the Roman Legions by Lindley Richard Dean at pp. 22, 86, 163 and 186 (<https://books.google.com/books?id=MF0KAAAAIAAJ>).

Libo is a cognomen also found in Dean, at pp. 91, 92, 97, 107, 213 and 238.

Assistance is requested in documenting the pattern of a nomen with two cognomina.

The badge *Gules, on a bezant a sun-cross gules* was registered to Cristina Volpina in August 2016. Cristina's name change to Iulius Crispinus Libo appears elsewhere on this letter.

Cristina/Iulius wishes to change and release the sun-cross badge because of potential offense. Therefore, there should be no charge for this device change.

Notes:

The pattern of a nomen and one or more cognomina is discussed in Ursula Georges, "A Simple Guide to Imperial Roman Names" (<http://heraldry.sca.org/names/roman.html#cognomen>).

9: Iulius Crispinus Libo

Action	Description	Decision
New Alternate Name Change	Rúni glóra	Forwarded

Old Item: *Rúna glóra*, to be released.

Rúni is an Old West Norse masculine given name found on the Viking Answer Lady's web page (<http://www.vikinganswerlady.com/ONMensNames.shtml#r>)

glóra is already registered to the submitter - Cristina Volpina (whose name change to Iulius Crispinus Libo is elsewhere on this letter) registered the alternate name *Rúna glóra* in December 2018.

Notes:

10. Kibar the Khazar

Action	Description	Decision
New Name	Kibar the Khazar	Forwarded

No major changes.

Language (Khazar) most important.

Kibar is an unspecified gender given name listed as "Other" cited in Khazarian Hebrew Documents of the Tenth Century by Norman Golb and Omeljan Pritsak, 1982. Pg 15 (<http://www.khazaria.com/khazar-names.html>)

the Khazar is an ethnic/racial/national byname as per SENA Appendix B Section 2.b.3 Locative Bynames.

Notes:

Kibar is a masculine name found in *Khazarian Hebrew Documents of the 10th Century* by Norman Golb and Omeljan Pritsak. This name is found in Hebrew as **כיבר**, which Golb and Pritsak transliterate as *Kabar* or *Kiabar*, and may also reasonably be transliterated as *Kibar*. While the origin of this name is as a tribal name (and therefore a byname), it appears to be used in the attested instance as a given name (see attached). Our thanks to Eleazar ha-Levi for the effort of finding and photocopying the source referenced.

the Khazar is the lingua Societatis form of the locative byname *al-Khazari* (Tarmach ben Yehuda al-Khazari, 1/2013, A-Middle), as in the 9th century *Itakh al-Khazari*.

11. Magnus mac Gilleain

Action	Description	Decision
New Name	Magnus mac Gilleain	Forwarded
New Device	Vert, a tower argent conjoined to in chief a demi-sun all within a double tressure Or	Forwarded



Submitter desires a masculine name.

No major changes.

Language (Gaelic Language Later Period 15th-16th Centuries) most important.

Culture (Scots Culture Later Period 15th-16th Centuries) most important.

Consulting Heralds: Lillie Dubh inghean ui Mordha (name) and Drasma Dragomira (device)

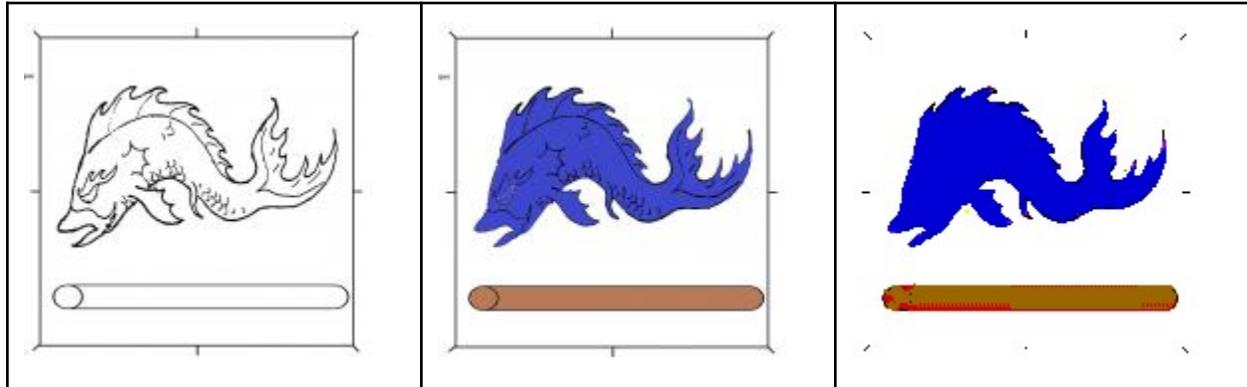
Magnus is a masculine Gaelic given name dated to 1461 in the submitted spelling in the raw data from "Index of names in Irish Annals," by Mari Elisabeth nic Bryan (<http://medievalscotland.org/kmo/AnnalsIndex/Masculine/Magnus.shtml>).

mac Gilleain is a patronymic byname found in Black, sn MacLean, with that spelling dated to 1467 in a referenced genealogical MS.

Notes:

12. Ronan Fitz Robert

Action	Description	Decision
New Badge	Argent, a dolphin azure and in base a wooden rod proper	Forwarded



Notes:

This concludes the letter of internal kingdom decisions.

In service to College and Kingdom,
Aněžka Liška z Kolína
Blue Tyger Herald