

# July 2024

## East Kingdom

### Internal Letter of Decision

#### East ILol dated 6/8/2024

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 6/8/2024.

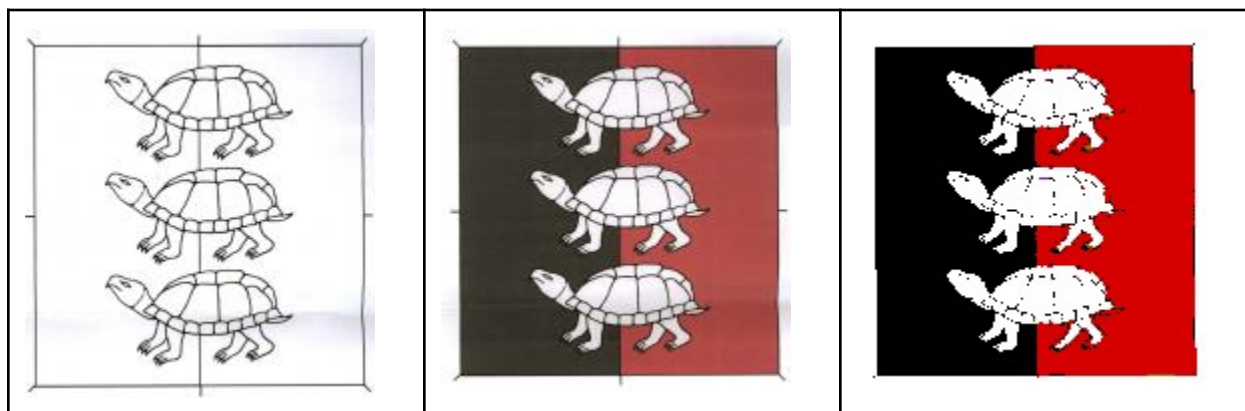
Many thanks to the following commenters who provided assistance this month:  
Alys Ogress, Bronwen White Antelope, Lilie Dubh Ragged Staff, Juetta Copin, Mathghamhain Seahorse, and Sigbjörg Kaladóttir in fróða.

We also thank the attendees of the decision meeting:  
Anezka Pantheon, Beatrice Green Staff, Eva Mural, Fenneke Jans, Mathghamhain Seahorse, and Tibor Moonbeam.

Your commentary and insights are always greatly appreciated.

#### 1: Arnora Ketilsdottir and Ragnarr bláskegg

Action	Description	Decision
New Badge	Per pale sable and gules, in pale three tortoises statant argent	Forwarded



Notes:

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## 2. Freodhoric Ainslie

Action	Description	Decision
New Name	Freodhoric Ainslie	Returned

Submitter desires a masculine name.  
Spelling (as given) most important.

**Freodhoric** is a listed alternate spelling of a masculine English given name found in Withycombe, pg 116 s.n. Frederic(k):

There was a corresponding, rather rare, Old English name Freodhoric which is probably behind the *Fredericus* who appears in the Domesday Book as a tenant in the reign of Edward the Confessor.

**Ainslie** is a variant spelling of *Ainslye*, which is found in Bardsley s.n. Ainsley dated to 1544.

Notes:

This name must be returned due to the lack of acceptable documentation for the given name. SENA PN1B2a states "A single example of an attested name phrase clearly dated to period is sufficient to demonstrate its use". The citation provided does not meet this criteria as it only provides a hypothesized spelling from another form of the name. Kingdom commentators were able to source alternate spellings of both the given name and byname in order to form documentable and temporally compatible alternatives. These options were provided to the submitter, but as Kingdom did not receive a response in time for this letter to be published and the submitter has stated spelling to be most important, Kingdom declines to adjust the name.

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## 3. Gylfir hálmi

Action	Description	Decision
New Name	Gylfir hálmi	Forwarded
New Device	Vert, on a pale endorsed argent three bear's heads coupé sable	Forwarded



The following changes are allowed: spelling, grammar  
 Authenticity requested for Old Norse.  
 Sound (given name sounding like 'Gilf') most important.  
 Meaning (byname meaning 'straw') most important.

**Gylfir** is a masculine Norse Name found in the Viking Answer Lady's site ( <https://www.vikinganswerlady.com/ONMensNames.shtml#g> ):

Gylfi, GylfiR - This name is found in OW.Norse as the fictional names Gylfi or GylfiR, best-known from "Gylfaginning" (The Deluding of Gylfi), a part of Snorri Sturluson's Prose *Edda*. The name is derived from Germanic \*gulb-, which is also found in OW.Norse *gylfr*, a poetical name for "stream, small river" and is derived from a root-word meaning "rippling sea which yells and roars".

Fellows-Jensen thinks that the name is a short form of Gjalfvér.

Occurs as a human name in the runic nominative form *kiulfiR*, in an inscription detailing various land and estates owned by Gylfir.

Anglo-Scandinavian forms include Gilfit.

Fellows-Jensen, Gillian. *Scandinavian Personal Names in Lincolnshire and Yorkshire*. Copenhagen. Akademisk Forlag. 1968. pp. 120 s.n. Gylfi; NR s.n. GylfiR+

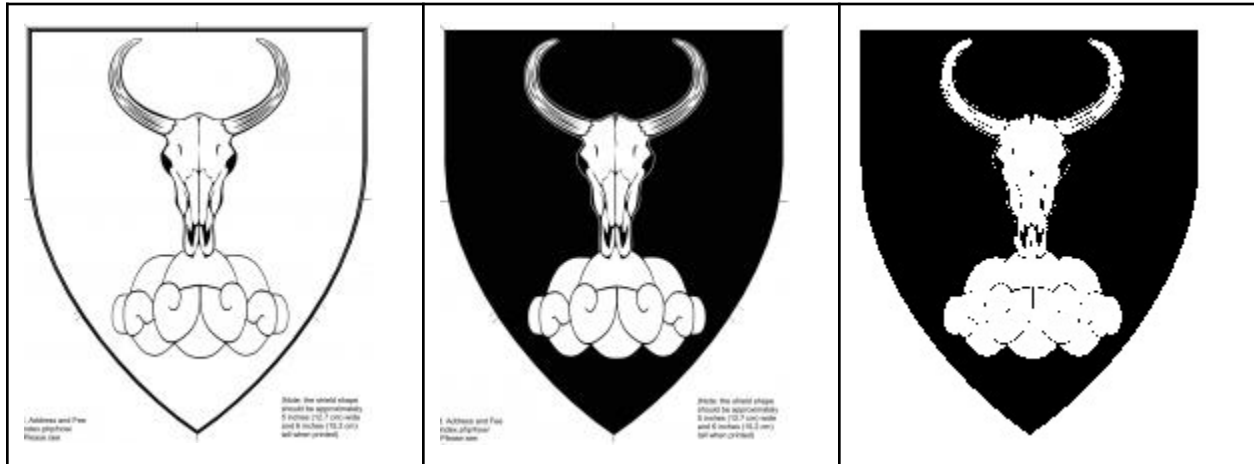
**hálmi** is an Old Norse byname meaning "straw" found in GB p22.

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#### 4. Khutugh Koghun

Action	Description	Decision
Resub Device	Sable, in pale a bull's skull cabossed and issuant from its mouth a cloud argent	Forwarded



The submitter's previous device, *Sable, a bull's skull cabossed issuant from its mouth a cloud between two clouds and in chief a gorges argent*, was returned on the March 2024 East Kingdom LoD:

This device is returned for the use of a gorges couped instead of throughout, which has previously been ruled an unregistrable charge [Caoimhe mac Ceallacháin, 7/2020, R-An Tir].

This device is additionally returned for violation of SENA A3D1a (Clarity of Charge Groups), as the clouds are an identical type of charge in two separate secondary charge groups: one group maintained by the skull, and one group flanking it.

This resubmission addresses the return by removing the gorges and flanking clouds.

#### Notes:

This item appeared at Kingdom with a blazon of *Sable, a bull's skull cabossed issuant from its mouth a cloud argent*, which implies a primary skull and a secondary cloud; however, commenters at Kingdom felt that the skull and cloud are of equal weight and therefore co-primary under SENA Appendix I5. We have changed the blazon to reflect this, though ultimately the final blazon is Wreath's prerogative. The emblazon remains as submitted.

As this item was originally returned at Kingdom, it is new to Laurel and payment will be due.

### 5. Sarah le Payller

Action	Description	Decision
New Badge	(Fieldless) A demi-domestic cat rampant sable marked argent winged per pale argent and sable issuant from a pail argent	Forwarded



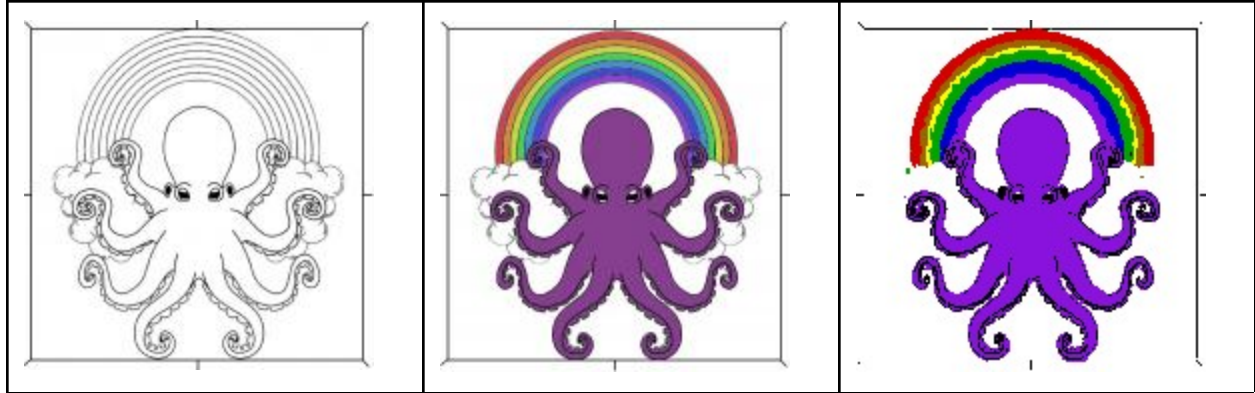
Notes:

The blazon submitted, *(Fieldless) In pale a winged demi-domestic cat rampant sable marked argent issuant from a pail argent*, does not include the tincture of the wings and therefore was adjusted.

Nice cant.

### 6. Wylet Fraysser

Action	Description	Decision
Resub Badge	(Fieldless) A natural rainbow proper and overall a polypus purple	Forwarded



The submitter's previous design, *Argent, in pale a natural rainbow proper and a polypus purpure*, was returned on the February 2024 LoAR:

This device is returned for the lack of contrast between the clouds and the field. The June 2021 Cover Letter item regarding rainbows states "Clouds require some contrast but not good contrast with the field."

We believe this design addresses the reason for return.

Notes:

Commentary raised the question if the polypus was truly overall. SENA Appendix I4 defines an overall charge as "a charge or group of charges which crosses the center of the field, lying partially on the field and partially on other charges." Kingdom believes this badge meets these requirements.

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This concludes the letter of internal kingdom decisions.

In service to College and Kingdom, I remain,  
Drasma Dragomira  
Blue Tyger Herald (interim)