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East Kingdom

Internal Letter of Decision

East ILol dated 01/12/2026

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 01/12/2026.

Many thanks to the following commenters who provided assistance this month: Giovanni Loredan, Juetta Copin, Lillia Crampette, Meryem al Ixbilā, Min Rouge Scarpe, and Rúnfríðr Rocket

We also thank the attendees of the decision meeting: Eva Mosaic, Gwalchmai Terpsichore, Herveus Morsalus, and Kay Leigh Mural

Your commentary and insights are always greatly appreciated.

1: Eliayhu al-Talhi

Action	Description	Decision
New Name Change	Eliayhu al-Talhi	Forwarded

Old Item: *Eliyah al-Talhi*, to be released.

Eliayhu is an alternate romanization of the Hebrew biblical given name אליהו , as found in Irina Wandrey, University of Hamburg's Centre for the Study of Manuscript Cultures, Tora - Talmud - Siddur: Halacha und haggada <<https://www.csmc.uni-hamburg.de/publications/mc/files/articles/mc06-3reeg.pdf>>, which includes the modern romanization *Yeshayahu ben Eliayhu des Jüngerer von Trani* (in German) / *Yeshayahu ben Eliayhu the Younger of Trani* (English translation) for an Italian Talmudist who died c.1280. It can also be interpolated from *Eliahu* (1268), found in Simon Seror's Les Noms des Juifs de France au Moyen Âge, s.n. Eliyahu, and *Eliyahu*, the alternate translation suggested in the submitter's previous name submission:

"Submitted as Elijah al-Talhi, the given name uses the standard modern Anglicized spelling for familiar Biblical names. This is a known problem with the article from which this name was documented, "Jewish Names in the World of Medieval Islam" compiled by Yehoshua ben Haim haYerushalmi (http://heraldry.sca.org/laurel/names/Jewish/Cairo/cairo_men.html).

The forms of this name found in Hebrew in these documents are Eliyahu and Elijah. As the latter is closer to the submitted form, we have changed it to the Hebrew form in order to register it."

If *Eliayhu* is not registrable, the submitter will accept *Eliyahu*, the alternate suggestion above.

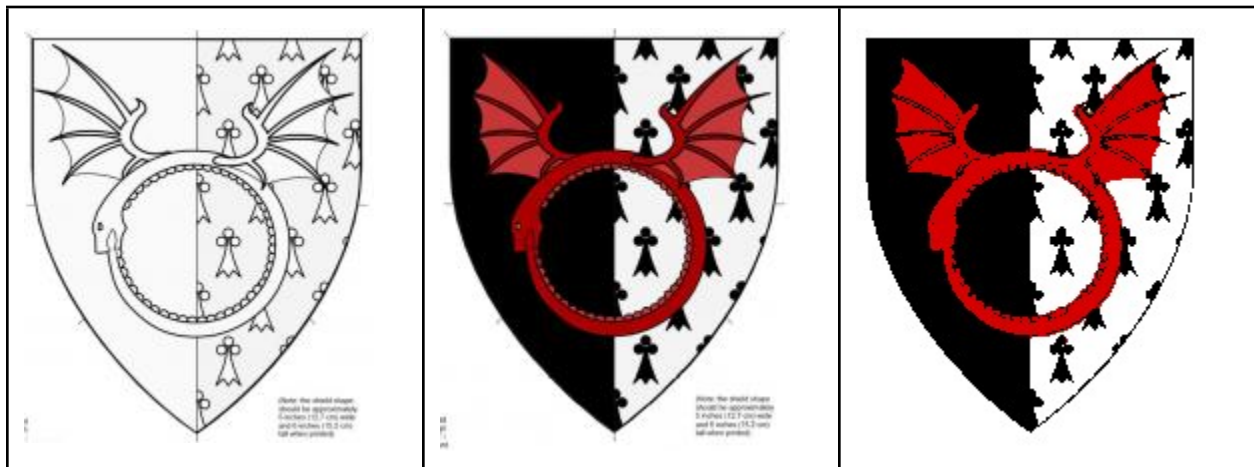
al-Talhi is currently registered to the submitter, and is retained here via SENA PN1B2g: Existing Registration Allowance (ERA). Per SENA PN2C2d: "In addition, if a name phrase in an existing registration was found in a registered name that combined languages from two or more regional naming groups, the new submission may combine those same regional naming groups. If this allowance is used, then no new regional naming group may be added." As this still combines a Hebrew given name with an Arabic byname, ERA can be used.

Notes:

Kingdom commentary discussed the possibility that the given name as shown in the documentation provided was simply a typo for *Eliyahu*, one of the well-recognized transliteration of the Hebrew name אֱלִיָּהוּ (with full explicit vowel markings: אֱלִיָּהוּ). Familiarity with current dialects of Hebrew and their transliteration into English sounds lends credence to this take. However, commentary also was able to provide additional examples showing the transliteration *Eliayhu* used to record this name for multiple period figures. Kingdom believes this is enough to meet SENA Appendix D criteria and therefore forward the name as submitted.

2. Eliayhu al-Talhi

Action	Description	Decision
Resub Device	Per pale sable and ermine, a pithon in annulo wings displayed and vorant of its own tail gules	Forwarded



The submitter's previous device, *Sable, a pithon contourny in annulo vorant of its own tail gules*, was returned on the July 2013 LoAR:

This device is returned for insufficient documentation of an Individually Attested Pattern. While the submitter did provide evidence of complex gules charges on sable fields in German armory, the submitter did not provide, and commenters were unable to find, any evidence that pithons were used as a charge in German armory. SENA A4A states that "All elements in an Individually Attested Pattern must be found in that single time and place, including charges, arrangement of charge groups, and lines of division." [Eliyah al-Talhi, July 2013, R-East]

The field has been changed from sable to per pale sable and ermine, which the submitter believes eliminates the contrast issue.

Notes:

The black and ermine field does clear the contrast issue noted in the return, as ermine, considered a metal per SENA A3B1 due to the white background, makes this a neutral field.

Kingdom commentary discussed the concern raised that the pithon's head, an identifying feature, was on the black part of the field. Most commenters and Kingdom feel that this does not affect the pithon's identifiability.

3. Gülfem of Constantinople

Action	Description	Decision
New Name	Gülfem of Constantinople	Forwarded

Submitter desires a feminine name.
No changes.

Gülfem is a female Turkish given name dated to 1543 as found in "Sixteenth-Century Turkish Names" by Ursula Witcher, under Full List <<https://www.s-gabriel.org/names/ursula/ottoman/turkishnames.html>>: Gülfem Haturu 1543

of Constantinople is the lingua Societatis form of the Arabic locative byname *al-Qusanṭīnī*, meaning "from Constantinople", as found in "Arabic Names from al-Andalus: Masculine Bynames Found in al-Andalus (nisba and laqab)" by Juliana de Luna <<https://www.s-gabriel.org/names/juliana/alandalus/mascnick.html>>

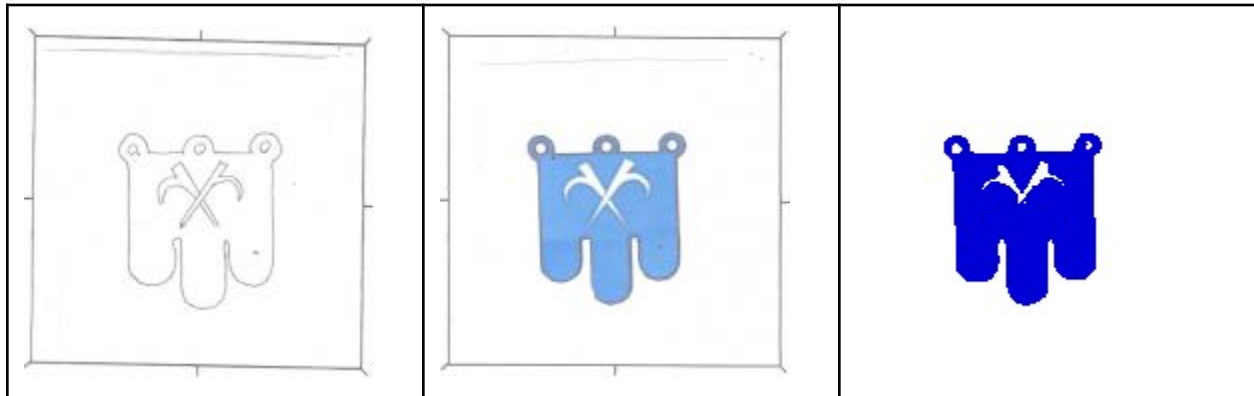
Turkish and Arabic names can be combined per SENA Appendix C.

Notes:

Kingdom commentary noted that the given name is cited in the documentation as from the name *Gülfem Haturn*, who is a period figure who lived in Constantinople <[Gülfem Hatun - Wikipedia](#)>. This figure is also a character in a currently running Turkish drama “The Magnificent Century” <<https://www.imdb.com/title/tt1848220/>>. As presumption is a call for Society, Kingdom forwards this for their consideration.

4. Ruantallan, Barony of

Action	Description	Decision
Resub Badge	Argent, on a gonfanon azure two tenterhooks in saltire argent	Forwarded



This submission is to be associated with *Gonfanon of Ruantallan, Company of the*

The associated order name was registered to the Barony of Ruantallan in November 2022

The previous badge was withdrawn on the 12/12/2025 East Kingdom iLoI to correct the emblazon. The previous submission had been submitted with a flipped emblazon. The submitter has corrected this and has submitted new art with the emblazon in the right orientation.

Notes:

Kingdom commentary notes that the gonfanon was last registered in 2020, and a tenterhook was last registered by the same Barony in 2017, therefore neither of the charges need to be redocumented.

This concludes the letter of internal kingdom decisions.

In service to College and Kingdom,
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