Oath of House Sires/House Creation

Traditional

Kingdom of Terre Neuve

Historical Note: This was created based on a document which I received back in my first year in Adria 2002. I was field herald and Dame Alora McDonnon handed me a file filled with ceremonies that were commonly done in Adria/Terre Neuve. I have held onto them over the years and bring them out when I need to help with a ceremony. I have decided due to a request to put into electronic form this one bellow. Note I have modified slightly because it was in the form when a house is being created in an Imperial Court.

The Creation of the House or a Swearing in a new House Sire (Done First):

The soon to be House Sire stand with a sword held horizontally and all house members present kneel before he or she and touch the sword or someone touching the Sword.

House Sire: Members of the House\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, pleas place your hands Underneath the Sword, a sign of support. Will the members please repeat after me: “Here Do I swear by Mouth and hand to give support to the House of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and its House Sire. To be Good and loyal members of the house. To Follow and support Him(or Her), to make his(or Her) causes my causes be they just and true. So say I ….”

House Sire: For my part I swear to represent you to the Crowns and the Estates of Terre Neuve which is our home. To make your causes my causes may they be just and true, so say I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Lord(or lady) of House \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

The Swearing of the new House Sire to their next direct Liege Lord(Crown or Marquis or Count or Baron). Note the Chancellor must be present or the King or Queen and answer for him

The Liege Lord stands with a sword held horizontally and the house sire kneel before he or she and touch the sword beneath the Blade.

Liege Lord: Good Chancellor does the House \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ have the numbers required by the laws of the Adrian Empire?

Chancellor: Responds

Liege Lord: Good Chancellor does the Lord of House \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ have Judicial bans that would prevent them from performing their duties as House Sire?

Chancellor: Responds

Liege Lord: Lord \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of House \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ repeat after me ““Here Do I swear by Mouth and hand to give support to <Liege Lord>. To be Good and loyal member of <Estate Kingdom/Marque….> . To Follow and support Him(or Her), to make his(or Her) causes my causes be they just and true. And faithfully represent House \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to my Liege Lord \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and to represent my house faithfully in the Estates of Terre Neuve which is my home. So say I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Lord(or Lady) of House \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.”

Liege Lord: For my part I swear to represent you to the Crowns and the Estates of Terre Neuve which is our home. To make your causes my causes may they be just and true, so say I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ <Title> of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(Estate).