

Ceremony for
TRANSFERRING A KINGDOM OFFICE

Herald: Your Majesties, _____, Your Kingdom
_____ (*name of office*) has business before You.

Crown: Let [him/her] come before Us.
Person comes forward and kneels.

Outgoing Officer: Your Majesties, I have had the honor to serve as
_____ (*office*) to _____ Crowns of Your Kingdom:
_____ and _____,
_____ and _____,
(*etc.*)

But the time has come that I must lay aside the burdens of my office.

King: *Thanks the officer in His own words or with the following:*
We thank you for your time of service, and it is with deep regret that We accept
your resignation.

Queen: Who shall you present to this court as your successor in this office?

Outgoing Officer: May it please Your Majesties, I would present
_____ .

King: Call [him/her] forward.

Herald: Now let _____ come before Their Majesties.
Incoming officer comes forward and kneels.

Outgoing Officer: Your Majesties, I present before you _____,
who I recommend to conduct the affairs of this office in Your Majesties' service.

King: _____, are you now fully resolved to accept the duties
and responsibilities of the office of _____ in Our Realm?

Incoming Officer: I am.

Queen: And will you now take the Oath of Service, as an officer of Our Kingdom?

Incoming Officer: I will.

King: Let Lightning be brought forward.

(Swordbearer hands Lightning to His Majesty, who holds it so the Incoming Officer can support it.)

Officer: *(with prompting from the herald)*

This day do I swear
to serve the Kingdom of the Outlands.
I pledge to do my duties by our laws,
and I will strive to render
faithful counsel to the Crown of the Outlands.
So say I, _____.

King: Accepts the oath in His own words, or with the following:

We accept your oath of service
and pledge to you
that We will protect and defend you
with all justice and honor.

Queen: Be ever mindful that you serve Our Kingdom best by serving the needs of
all her people.

King: Having heard your solemn oath,
We, _____ and _____,
King and Queen of the Outlands,
hereby name you, _____
as Our Kingdom _____. *(office)*
His Majesty returns Lightning to the swordbearer.

(Investing of regalia, if any, goes here).

King: Arise _____.

Optional reading of the warrant:

Herald: *Reads actual warrant or the text below.*

Be it known to all that by these presents that <MUNDANE
NAME> _____,
known in the Society for Creative Anachronism, Incorporated as <SCA NAME>
_____ is hereby appointed as <OFFICE>
_____ for the period of <TERM OF OFFICE>
_____ or until <DATE> _____.
This warrant shall become effective upon <DATE> _____ and
supersedes any existing or previous warrant for this office.
_____, King _____, Queen

Herald: For _____, the outgoing and _____
the incoming _____, HIP, HIP.... (3 cheers).

You have Their Majesties' leave to depart.