

Ceremonies for offering  
**PEERAGE**

**Version One**

**Herald:** Now let \_\_\_\_\_ come before Their Royal Majesties.

**King:** \_\_\_\_\_, We are well pleased.....

*Here the Crown make whatever remarks they feel are appropriate to the candidate, speaking of their qualities and why they are thought highly of.*

*They may wish to include in their remarks the fact that they are offering admittance to the order, or they may wish to wait and let the candidate figure it out when the herald reads these next lines:*

**Herald:** Now let all know that \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, King and Queen of the Outlands do this day offer to the noble \_\_\_\_\_, admission to the Order of \_\_\_\_\_, in recognition of [his/her] good works. They charge [him/her] to go forth and deeply consider this matter, and to deliver [his/her] answer when [he/she] is next called before Them.

*The herald may or may not lead the populace in cheers for the candidate, at the discretion of the Crown.*

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## **Version Two**

**Herald:** Now let \_\_\_\_\_ come before Their Royal Majesties.

**King:** \_\_\_\_\_, We are well pleased....

*Here the Crown make whatever remarks they feel are appropriate to the candidate, speaking of their qualities and why they are thought highly of.*

**Herald:** Now let all members of the Order of \_\_\_\_\_, come before Their Majesties.

*The members of that order come forward and fill in a semicircle behind the candidate.*

*(An alternative is to have the Order quietly get up and file in behind the candidate while the Crown is speaking. This takes coordinating with members of the Order before court. )*

**King:** \_\_\_\_\_, having taken counsel of these, the members of Our Order of \_\_\_\_\_, We are minded to offer you admission to that Order, to be accomplished at [a future event to be agreed upon/ \_\_\_\_\_ (name of event)] Go now an consider this matter, that you may give Us your decision on that day.

*The candidate rises and departs, accompanied by the members of the Order.*

*If the King's words were not loud enough to be heard by the court, the herald will read:*

**Herald:** Now let all know that \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, King and Queen of the Outlands have offered to the noble \_\_\_\_\_, admission to the Order of \_\_\_\_\_, to be accomplished at [a future event/ \_\_\_\_\_ (name of event)]. They have charged [him/her] and sent [him/her] forth in the company of the Order to consider this matter.

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### **Version Three**

**Herald:** Their Majesties summon before them all members of the Order of \_\_\_\_\_, here present.

*The members of the Order present themselves and form a semicircle in front of the thrones, leaving an aisle.*

**King:** Noble companions of \_\_\_\_\_, after consulting with yourselves, We are minded to offer admittance to your Order to one of Our subjects, a gentle whose great worthiness has been recognized by your eyes, as well as Our own.

*Let the candidate be brought before Us.*

**Herald:** \_\_\_\_\_, present yourself before Their Royal Majesties.

*The candidate comes forward and kneels before the Crown.*

**King:** \_\_\_\_\_, having been found deserving in Our sight, and in the sight of the Order, We are minded to offer you admission to Our Order of \_\_\_\_\_, to be done [at a future event to be agreed upon/ \_\_\_\_\_(name of event)]. We charge you to go forth and consider this matter, and bring us your decision on that day.

*Speaking to the Order:*

Bear \_\_\_\_\_ hence, and give [him/her] such counsel as [he/she] should require in considering this matter.

*The order rises and escorts the candidate out of court.*

*If the King's words were not loud enough to be heard by the court, the herald will read:*

**Herald:** Now let all know that \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, King and Queen of the Outlands have offered to the noble \_\_\_\_\_, admission to the Order of \_\_\_\_\_, to be accomplished at [a future

event/ \_\_\_\_\_ (name of event)]. They have charged [him/her] and sent [him/her] forth in the company of the Order to consider this matter.

*The herald may or may not lead the populace in cheers for the candidate, at the discretion of the Crown.*

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