

shall be invested with the Insignia of his, or her, dignity in the Order by Us, Our heirs and successors, and that on the day of the Investiture the person to be invested shall be introduced into the presence of the Sovereign by the Officer of the Order in attendance, bearing the proper Insignia of the Order, when the Sovereign, having in the case of Knights Grand Cross and Knights Commanders, conferred the honour of Knighthood upon the person so nominated, if he shall not previously have received the said honour, will then proceed to invest him, or her, with the Insignia of the Order in the following manner: The Sovereign will invest the new Knight Grand Cross, Dame Grand Cross, Knight Commander, or Dame Commander with the Riband and Badge, and will deliver to him, or her, or place on his, or her, left side, the Star of the Order appertaining to his, or her, dignity. The Commanders will be invested in like manner with the Riband and Badge only.

XVIII. It is further ordained that it shall be competent for Us, Our heirs and successors, by a Warrant or Warrants under Our Sign Manual, and sealed with the Seal of the Order, to authorize some distinguished Officer in Our Service, or other person, to perform, in Our name, and on Our behalf, the ceremony of investing Knights Grand Cross, Dames Grand Cross, Knights Commanders, Dames Commanders, or Commanders with the Insignia of their respective dignities, or to permit the ceremony of Investiture to be dispensed with. And We reserve to Ourselves, Our heirs and successors, by Our or their Warrant or Warrants, as aforesaid, full power and authority to permit and authorize such persons to wear the Insignia and enjoy the privileges appertaining to their respective dignities, in as full and ample a manner as if they had been invested by Us, Our heirs and successors.

XIX. It is ordained that on the promotion of a person from a lower to a higher Class of this Order, the Insignia of the Class theretofore worn by him or by her shall be returned to the Secretary of the Order for the service of the Order; and that on the resignation or decease of an Officer of this Order, his Chain and Badge of Office shall be restored for the service of the Order.

XX. It is ordained that, for the greater honour and dignity of this Order, it shall and may be lawful for the Knights Grand Cross and Dames Grand Cross upon all occasions to bear Supporters to their Arms; and We do by these presents direct and command Our Garter Principal King of Arms for the time being to grant Supporters to such Knights Grand Cross and Dames Grand Cross of this Order as shall not otherwise be entitled thereto. And it shall also be lawful for the Knights Grand Cross and Dames Grand Cross of this Order to surround their armorial bearings with the circle and motto of the Order, and to suspend therefrom a representation of their Riband and Badge; and for the Knights Commanders, Dames Commanders and Commanders of this Order to surround their armorial bearings with the circle and motto of the Order, and to suspend therefrom a representation of their Riband and Badge; and for the Members of the Fourth and Fifth Classes of this Order to suspend a representation of their Riband and

respective Badges from the bottom of the escutcheon containing their armorial bearings.

XXI. It is ordained that the Seal of this Order shall consist of the Arms: Azure, a representation of the Badge of the First Class of the Order proper, impaled with Our Royal Arms, with the following circumscription: "The Seal of the Royal Victorian Order"; and that the Statutes of the Order shall be sealed by and with the same.

XXII. It is ordained that it shall be competent for Us, Our heirs and successors, by an Ordinance signed by the Sovereign and sealed with the Seal of the Order (and on the recommendation to that effect by the Chancellor of the Order) to cancel and annul the appointment of any person to this Order, and that thereupon his, or her, name in the Register shall be erased. But that it shall be competent for the Sovereign to restore to the Order any person whose appointment may have been so cancelled and annulled when such recommendation has been withdrawn.

XXIII. It is ordained that the Medal of this Order instituted and created by Our Royal Predecessor Queen Victoria shall continue to be designated and styled "The Royal Victorian Medal," and shall be awarded to such persons, male or female, as may have rendered, or shall hereafter render, extraordinary or important or personal services to Us, Our heirs and successors; or who have merited, or may hereafter merit, Our Royal favour.

XXIV. It is ordained that the said Royal Victorian Medal, for men and for women, shall be a circular Medal of silver-gilt, silver, or bronze, having on the obverse the effigy of the Sovereign of the Order, and on the reverse the Royal and Imperial Cypher upon an ornamental shield within a wreath of laurel, and in base a scroll, thereon the words "Royal Victorian Medal."

XXV. It is ordained that the Medal shall be worn, by men, on the left side of the coat or outer-garment, pendent from a Riband of the breadth of one inch and a quarter of the same colour and pattern as that appointed for the Members of this Order, and, by women, from a similar Riband tied in a bow and worn on the left shoulder.

XXVI. It is ordained that a member of any of the Classes of this Order, upon whom the Royal Victorian Medal has been, or may be, conferred, shall be entitled to wear the said Medal in the manner provided as aforesaid in addition to the Insignia of the Order.

XXVII. It is ordained that any person upon whom a silver-gilt Royal Victorian Medal has been, or may be, conferred, and who has previously received a silver, or bronze, Royal Victorian Medal, or both, shall be entitled to wear both Medals, or the three Medals, as the case may be; and that any person upon whom a silver Royal Victorian Medal has been, or may be, conferred, and who has previously received a bronze Medal, shall be entitled to wear both Medals.

XXVIII. It is ordained that any service which is deemed worthy of recognition by the award of the silver-gilt, silver, or bronze Royal Victorian Medal, but is rendered by a person upon whom the particular decoration has already been conferred, may be recorded by a Clasp, attached, for men, to the Riband, and