

missioners of His Majesty's Treasury are to give the necessary Directions herein accordingly.

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ORDER OF THE BATH.

GEORGE R.

GEORGE the Third, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland King, Defender of the Faith, &c and Sovereign of the Most Honorable Military Order of the Bath, to all to whom these Presents shall come, Greeting: Whereas, by the Statute of Our said Most Honorable Military Order of the Bath, it is provided, that We, the Sovereign thereof, have the Power of adding to the same from Time to Time, and of explaining any Particular therein, as to Us shall seem expedient, all which Additions and Explanations, under Our Sign Manual, are to be taken as Part and Parcel of the Statutes of our said Order: And whereas, in and by the Eighteenth Statute, it is (amongst other Things) declared to be the Duty of the Genealogist of the said Order to examine and enter the Pedigrees of the respective Persons then already elected, and of such as might hereafter be elected into the said Order, and of their Esquires, Governors, and of the Young Esquires, with their several Coat-Arms; and that he was likewise fairly to enter the same into Books, to remain to Posterity for the Memorial of their Families: And whereas certain Differences have arisen between Our Servants the King's Herald and Pursuivants of Our College of Arms, and the Genealogist of the said Most Honorable Order, respecting the Exercise of the Duties, which by the said Eighteenth Statute are assigned to Our said Genealogist, for the Adjustment of which a Chapter of the said Most Honorable Military Order was held on the 10th Day of June last: And whereas it was by the said Chapter resolved, That as it appeared to the Chapter to be the Opinion of the Law Officers of the Crown, that the Herald, (that is to say, Our Servants the King's Herald and Pursuivants of Our College of Arms,) have the Original Cognizance of Pedigrees and Coat-Armour, and that the Genealogist cannot properly receive any Evidence of Pedigree or Coat-Armour to be entered in his Books in pursuance of the Statutes, except from the College of Arms, The Chapter therefore humbly recommended to Us, that We would be pleased to command, that the Pedigrees and Arms of the Knights and Esquires of this Order should be recorded in the College of Arms, upon Payment of the accustomed Fees, and that Copies of such Pedigrees and Arms be communicated to the Genealogist of the Order, who shall enter the same in Books of the Order to be provided for that Purpose; and that We would also be graciously pleased to determine such Fees as the said Genealogist should be entitled to for making such Transcripts in these Books; And whereas at a Chapter of Our College of Arms, held at Our said College on the Twenty-third Day of January One thousand eight hundred and four, it was ordered, That the Treasurer of Our said College should provide, at the Office Expence, a Book to be used only for the Entry of the Pedigrees and Arms of the Knights Companions of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, and another for those of their respective

Esquires; and that of every Entry so to be made, and for which the accustomed Fees shall have been paid to the College, the Register shall, upon the Application of the Genealogist of the said Order for the Time being, deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the said Genealogist a Copy to be entered in the Books of the said Order, according to the Statutes of the said Order, and for which Copy no Fees shall be charged or taken by the Register, or any other Officer of the College: Now We, having duly considered such Recommendation and such Order of Our College of Arms, do hereby command and enjoin all the Knights who have been invested with this Most Honorable Military Order since the Fifteenth Day of June One thousand seven hundred and ninety two, (being the Date of the Patent of the present Genealogist,) and their Esquires, Governors, and Young Esquires, that they shall record their respective Pedigrees and Coat-Arms in the College of Arms, paying therefor the accustomed Fees; and that the said Genealogist, or the Genealogist for the Time being, shall procure a Copy of the same from the Register of Our said College of Arms, and examine and transcribe the same in the Genealogical Books of the said Order: And We do hereby further command and enjoin, That each and every of the said Knights, their Esquires, Governors, and their Young Esquires, shall pay to the aforesaid Genealogist, or to the Genealogist for the Time being, for the examining and entering of such Pedigrees and Coat-Arms in the Genealogical Books of the said Order in Manner following, to wit—For the first Descend or Generation the Sum of Six Shillings and Eight Pence; and for every additional Descend or Generation the Sum of Five Shillings; and for entering the Armorial Ensigns of a Knight Companion the Sum of One Pound Ten Shillings (all which Fees have been the usual Fees paid by Us out of Our Treasury in Cases where We have been graciously pleased to discharge the Expences incurred by the Investiture of any Knight Elect,) and for entering the Armorial Ensigns of an Esquire Fifteen Shillings, the aforesaid Sums being conformable to a Table of Fees, dated the Seventeenth Day of March One thousand seven hundred and ninety-five, issued under the Hand of Our dear entirely beloved Son Frederick acting as Great Master, and under the Seal of the said Order, which said Table We do, by these Presents, confirm and ratify; and each and every of such Knights, Esquires, Governors, and Young Esquires, shall also pay to the Officer who may be employed to record their said Pedigrees and Coat-Arms in the College of Arms, the accustomed Fee for so doing: And We do hereby direct all the said Knights, Esquire, Governors, and Young Esquires, to certify their Belief of the Truth and Correctness of their respective Pedigrees in the Genealogical Books of the said Order; And We do hereby further ordain, That nothing herein contained shall prejudice or injure the Rights and Privileges of our said Genealogist, as given and secured to him by the aforesaid Statutes, which we, in all Respects, hereby confirm.

Given under Our Sign Manual the Eighth Day of May One thousand eight hundred and four, in the Forty-fourth Year of our Reign

C. YORKE.