

## ESCUDO CASA REAL



### SOVEREIGN SKILLFUL DECREE

*US, They are Altesse Royale him Prince Monsieur Rubén Alberto Gavaldá, of swears S.M. Esteve IVº of David-Toulouse-Gavaldá, Count Sovereign de Gevaudan, in the name of God and of the Virgin Maria de Bonaria, by virtue of Our rights and prerogatives, by means of this one Our Skillful Decree, we declared and we approved the Constitution, the Statutes and the General Regulations of the Most noble, Sovereign and Dynastic Order of the Horsemen of Our Lady, Santa Maria of Buenos Aires, under the Protection of Glorious San Martin de Tours; those that they are applicable in all the Jurisdictions of the Order from the date of the company/signature of the present Decree, and of fulfillment and entailment for all the Members and Children of the Order.*

*We trusted Our Great Chancellor, S. E. the Count Don Sergio Valentin Salinas and Flores of Torrelavega the publication of the present Constitution and the Statutes in English, Spanish, Portuguese, French and Italian language, according to the text that We approved and, we ordered to him to communicate it to all the Heads of Jurisdictions so that they take it to knowledge of all the Members of the Order, and watch jealously and faithfully its observance in the Jurisdictions of its competition.*

*All previous and the preceding dispositions: Constitutions, Statutes and Regulations that have been promulgated before the present Decree must be understood like countermanded.*

*The present Decree can be extended, be modified or replaced partly or in its totality with a new Skillful Decree emanated of motu proprio of Prince-Count de Gevaudan, with consent of the Real Council of Family.*

*Dice in Our Seat Skillful in Buenos Aires, day 18 of the month of August of the year of the Gentleman of 2008, Vto. of Our Consécration and in Our exile.*

THE GRAND MASTER

## **ESCUDO ORDEN**



Order of Knights of Our Lady Saint Mary of Buenos Aires  
under Protection of Glorious Saint Martín of Tours  
Ordo Equitum Dominae Nostrae Sanctae Mariae Bonaerensis  
sub Patrocinio Inclyto Sancti Martini Turonensis

# O.S.M.B.A

## CONSTITUTION and STATUTES

ESCUDO ORDEN



Order of the Knights of Our Lady,  
Saint Mary of Buenos Aires  
Under the Protection of the Glory of Saint Martin of Tours

# O.S.M.B.A

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**Grand Chancellery:**

Avda. Republic of Lebanon 4552 - San Martin - Province of Buenos Aires – Argentina

**They have written up the present Statute:**

S.A.R.S. Prince Don Rubén Alberto Gavalda  
S.E. Count Don Sergio Valentin Salinas of Torrelavega  
S.A.S. Prince Don Giuseppe Ladogana of Albì

**Heraldic:**

S.A.S. Prince Don Giuseppe Ladogana de Albì  
The Cross (chapter 1, section 5) and the Shield of Arms (chapter 1, section 6) of the Order  
like also the Constitution, IYou Statutes and the General Regulations

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## PART 1

### CONSTITUTIONAL NORMS

#### I CAPITULATE 1 THE CONSTITUTION

##### CHARACTER OF THE ORDER

*A) Order of the Knights of Our Lady Santa Maria of Buenos Aires, Under the protection of Glorious San Martin de Tours (O.S.M.B.A), is Being a non-political, ecumenical International, without object of profit, constituted like independent Organization non Gubernativa (ONG), according to the European Convention on Recognition of International Legal People nonGubernativas. It is constituted to the light of art. 46 of the Code Civilian of the Argentine Republic.*

*B) Its dynastic conception arises the Nobiliario Right under protection of the International that based on the Dynastic Right attends the Sovereigns in exile. Its rights on “1814 swear sanguinis” were recognized internationally by the Nations in the Congress of Vienna of and/or later; by this one the regal Gentlemen maintain right plenary session on the historical and nobiliary cavalry with the social validity that it entails, in spite of all the political changes of the territory of their ancestors.*

*Therefore, it is considered improper that any republican State can interfere, or by legislation or administrative practice, in the Dynastic Principality and Right of that Regal Family; for that reason Orders by created them, although cannot officially be recognized by the democratic government in where is exile the Head of Name and Arms of the Memorial Dynasty, she does not affect his validity or tradition and heraldry, nobility and chivalrous acceptance international.*

*It is a fact, generally admitted by the jurists, that the ex--sovereigns who have not resigned to their pretensions, conserve all its rights, among them, denominated “the phons honorum” that allows them to create Knights in its Orders of Merit. Therefore the “international status” of an Order of cavalry rests on the right of “phons honorum” of which the weathervane with I title of Great Master.*

*C) It is organized traditionally in Christian form of Chivalrous Order, like an Order Equestrian of Mercy and, also, as an Order dedicated to the cure and the attendance of the poor man and the needed one. The Order is dedicated specially to the attendance of the patients, according to the opinions that regulate the cavalry, following in the centuries the Word of Christ, under the form of the Christian faith; acquiring form and character of Catholic Confraternity Order.*

*C) The Order has its origin in the mariano cult of the Virgin of Bonaria. According to the legend in 1370 a boat that partio of Spain was surprised by a storm; the sailors decided to throw to the sea all the load among them a heavy box. Hardly the box was thrown to the sea, the storm calmed. The box arrived therefore at Cágleri, right under the hill of Bonaria; the friars of the convent, when opening it were with a wood statue of Virgin Maria that tapeworm in a hand to the Boy Jesus and in a other ignited candle. The devotion to the miraculous statue spread immediately in all Sardinia, specially between the sailors who invoke it like protector.*

*Of Sardinia, possession of the crown of Aragón at that time (today Italy), passage to Spain taken by the sailors and navigators, by the captives redeemed by the mercedarios and the civilian authorities and ecclesiastical that came from the peninsula.*

*It was as well as in Seville this devotion in the Brotherhood of Spanish mareantes had its greater root that, from their neighboring port, put to sea unknown in fragile ships in the direction of the new world. Thus I arrive at our beaches with the expedition from Don Pedro de Mendoza who, when founding the harbor establishment of our future great Argentina capital, the 2 of February of 1536, put the name to him of Santa Maria from the Good Ayre to the port, taken by its devotion towards the Mother of God and by the advice of both mercedarios which they accompanied it. The 11 of June of 1580 Don Juan de Garay "being in this port of Santa Maria de Buenos Ayres" came with all solemnity to found the city "that intituló of the Trinidad".*

*The Order of Knights of Our Lady, Santa Maria of Buenos Aires - O.S.M.B.A. - development during the time of the Virreyes of the River of the Silver, integrating it destacadísimos hidalgos, all of them Horsemen of enormous mariano fervor; induced sleep it remained "in pectore ET in potentia", under the care of the Law of Hidalgos of the River of the Silver.*

*The 8 of December of 2003 (day of the Immaculate Conception), the Order refounded and was restored by Don Rubén Alberto de Gavaldá, renewing the force, the push and the mariano fervor of its origins; placing it under the protection of glorious San Martin de Tours.*

## **RELIGION**

*All the members of the Order will be believing medical instructors of the Christian and catholic faith.*

*All the members of the Order will have to concur with their lives, luck and honors, to sustain the principles of the Christianity; and they will ahead declare of all his determination to live and to die following the lessons of Christ and His Holy Church*

## AIMS OF THE ORDER

- 1 - *The Greater Gloria to God*
- 2 *Collaborate with the spiritual growth of the humanity*
- 3 *Recognize in the man the function of guard of the rest of the creation*
- 4 *Help to the humanity in its passage by the Earth*
- 5 *Brotherhood between the Brothers of the Order and these and other Orders who also feel love for Saint Mary in anyone of their invocations*
- 6 *Continue to recreate a mind, a heart and a spirit pure and opened to receive better what God wished to send to us.*

## PRINCIPLES OF THE ORDER

- 1) *To believe, to respect and to love with Loyalty the Unique God, One and Trino, fact Man in Jesus the Christ, Emmanuel, Merciful, Powerful to do of all the temporary, spiritual and eternal things*
- 2) *To defend justice*
- 3) *To protect to weak, orphaned, widows, defenseless, captive and needed*
- 4) *To fight to surpass the materialism, the impiety and the tyranny in the modern world*
- 5) *To defend the sanctity of the individual*
- 6) *To consider the Ladies and Knights of the Order like a brothers in Christ*
- 7) *To be faithful to the truth and to respect the pawned word; to avoid the rumor, the gossip and the wickedness of the people*
- 8) *To honor Virgin, Mother of Christ*

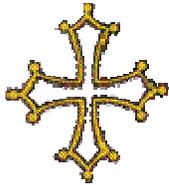
## INVOCATIONS

*The Signal de la Cruz and the formula "In the name of God, One and Trio and of the Virgin Maria de Bonaria " it will have to precede each official action of the Order.*

## OFFICIAL DAYS

- *2 of February, imposition of the name of "Port of Santa Maria of the Good Ayre" to the future Capital City of the Argentine Republic, by Don Pedro de Mendoza in 1536 A.D., First Foundation of Buenos Aires*
- *24 of April, Celebration of Ntra. Mrs. of Buenos Aires*
- *15 of August, Celebration of the Assumption of the Virgin to Skies*
- *11 of November, Celebration of San Martin de Tours, First Employer of the City of Good Airs and Protector of the Order*
- *8 of December, Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception and Celebration of the Restoration of the Order*

## CROSS OF THE ORDER



A) *The official Cross of the Order is the cross called commonly of Toulouse, of Languedoc, cross Tasted or Cross Occitana. It appears officially in the 1211 on the seal of the County of Tolosa. The image oldest de la Cruz than arrives until us is the one that adorns the key of the first ship of the Cathedral of Saint Etienne in Tolosa, dated in 1211.*

B) *The Cross of the Order can be used by the same Order, its Jurisdictions, Body of Honoraria and Volunteers and all active member of these organisms.*

## FLAG AND SHIELD OF ARMS OF THE ORDER

A) *The Flag of the Order is Cossz Greek of blue in field of silver with the interlaced letters A.M. in its field second.*

B) *The Shield of Arms of the Order is:*

### Shield of arms



### Description Arms

*Surpassed by the crown real and skirted by the Necklace of the Order; two angels sustain to the real crown and the golden frame that the same Shield of Arms contains .*

*A golden dove dominates the figures inside the mantle.*

*In silver field loaded with a Greek cross of blue.*

*In the second quarter of blue the mariano symbol superposed A.M. is present.*

*The whole is protected by a complete blue mantle of Real Crown.*

*Motto: "AVE MARIA GRATIA "*

C) *The Shield of Arms of the Order, with or without motto. it only can be used by the Order and its Jurisdictions, but not individually by its Members.*

*D) The use of the real crown in Flags and other standards, such as distinguishing and standards of the Order, is only privative of the Great Master, unless this it considers or it allows his use in other cases.*

*\* The General Regulation, Divides III - CAP. 9, Inc. 1, stipulates as they must be made and be used by the diverse ones Jurisdictions, Bodies and by the other Authorities of the Order.*

### **FLAG, STANDARDS AND SHIELD OF ARMS OF THE GREAT ONE MASTER**

*A) The Flag of the Great Master is constituted by a white cloth to the blue spear and to the flight, on the first Shield of the Order on the second in its inferior end straight the interlaced letters A.M. (Bird Maria).*

*B) The standards of the Great Master are represented by the Shield military revolt: in 1° and 4° the Weapon of the Order, in 2° and 3° the personal Weapon of the Great Master.*

*C) Skillful standard, with Real Crown.*

*D) Use of the Command baton and the Great Skillful Necklace hereditary.*

### **SEAL OF THE ORDER**

*A) The Great Seal of the Order is constituted by the complete Weapon of the Order surrounded by the inscription: "**Order of the Knights of Our Lady Santa Maria of Buenos Aires.**" The Great one Seal of the Order is only used by the Great Master or Great Chancellor on official diplomas and other documents.*

*B) Other Seals, anticipated by the Prescribed norms, are used in the official activity by part of the local Authorities of the Order.*

### **MOTTO OF THE ORDER**

**"AVE MARIA, GRATIA PLENA"**

### **SEAT OF THE ORDER**

*A) The Main Seat of the Order is that established by the Grand Master: at the moment it is in Avda. Republic of Lebanon 4556 - San Martin - Province of Buenos Aires - Argentina*

*B) The Administrative Seat of the Order will depend on the will of the Great Chancellor and will be approved by the Grand Master; today the administrative seat is in Good Airs.*

*C) The Great Guardian of the Treasure would have, if it is possible, to reside in the same area, to less than he is established of another way by the Great Master.*

## **ORGANIZATION OF THE ORDER**

*A) The Order will be divided in dependent National Jurisdictions of the Great Teaching, that will have equal dignity and importance although they are called with different names: Grand Priory, Baliato, Commendatory, according to the case.*

*B) A Commendatory could be subdivided in fractions smaller calls Delegations, that will not be independent and will depend on corresponding Grand Priory, Baliato or Commendatory.*

*C) The Grand Priory implies the jurisdiction in a country, must include/understand a minimum of 10 Horsemen.*

*D) The Grand Baliato implies the jurisdiction of a Region or Province, must include/understand a minimum of 5 Horsemen, depends on the Grand Priory.*

*E) The Commendatory implies the jurisdiction of a locality of the Region or Province; it must include/understand a minimum of 3 Horsemen, depends on the Grand Baliato.*

*H) The Hereditary Commendatory depends directly on the Great Teaching and not on the Jurisdiction in whose territory it is.*

## **OFFICIAL LANGUAGE**

*The official languages of the Order are English and the Italian for the area of Europe and English and the Spanish in America. In case of doubts the English version is predominant.*

## **CHAPTER 2**

### **MEMBERS OF THE ORDER**

#### **TITLES**

*A) Each propose person for admission in the Order will be an individual medical instructor of the Christian Faith and will have mentality, means and position, such that allow him to live honorably and to freely observe totally and the laws and the decisions of the Order. Each candidate (who will have at your service to follow the settled down steps for his admission) during his preparation will be called Postulate or Aspire; the Grand Master by disposition “motu proprio” can incorporate, without restrictions, Members in the Order.*

*B) Each candidate must prove of being person of irreproachable conduct, to have honor and moral integrity, and, if he is married or he wished to marry, he must do it of agreement to the Christian laws.*

*C) Each candidate must fill in writing to an admission request according to model ready by the Order, enclosing own curriculum vitae, 4 photography card, jointly with a copy of the Certificate of Baptism and notebook of Christian Family if he will be newlywed.*

### **PRESENTATION OF THE PROPOSAL**

*A) Each Postulate must put under the required documentation the Commission of Admission of its Jurisdiction, she is the one that it has to approve the candidate preliminarily. After this one preliminary approval, the Commission of the local Jurisdiction will send the request and other documentation (jointly with its opinion and recommendations about the degree of admission suggested for its entrance) to the seat of the Great Prior of competition, that will ratify the proposal and it will send it to the Great Chancellery for his final approval.*

*B) The Grand Master will decide on the definitive admission of the candidate, having given confirmation or not of it. The decision of the Grand Master is final and it is not put under any appeal. EI Great Master it can delegate such responsibility.*

*C) The Knight Teacher follows the formation of the postulate by all along stipulated for his preparation even its definitive one entrance at your service.*

### **ENTRANCE PROCEDURE**

*admission in the Order of Bonaria can happen in the following ways:*

*A) presentation of part of two Knights*

*B) presentation of the proposal of admission by the own Aspiring by errand of the Grand Master*

*Except in case of Skillful Mandate all will have to respect all the rules of the present Decree.*

#### **a. Admission by presentation of two Knights:**

*If two knights thought that a person is worthy to enter the Order, since she has the Christian virtues necessary to become member from her, enclosed to the admission request a letter of presentation directed to the Prior, Bailío or Skillful Cancilleria (when*

*on the territory competent Authority does not exist) of the proposed postulate, enumerating the merits and the reasons by which they want to propose the person.*

*In the presentation letter it will have to expose clearly the merits of the postulante, to indicate if it participates in social activities, builds in activities of cultural , moral formation, et cetera.*

*The person entrance will not be able to be proposed at your service some that has not favorably demonstrated interest in the dogmas of the Christian Cavalry.*

***b. Requirement “motu proprio”:***

*When a person, having the knowledge of the existence of the Order of Bonaria, having included/understood the fundamental principles that she maintains same and the desidiera one to become a member of her, will be able to send a letter to the Prior, Balio or directly to the Chancellery Skillful (when she lacked competent authority on his territory) explaining the reasons by as she understands that she must be member of the Order.*

*Believed the subject like suitable, upon presentment of the admission request, one will begin its preparation according to norm and style.*

## **PHASES OF ADMISSION**

*The admission process articulates in 4 (four) specific phases.*

*In anyone of the phases the process can be interrupted, is by express desire of the postulante, is because the postulante is considered as nonsuitable for its admission or by express disposition of the Great Master.*

### ***PHASE 1: Anagráfica***

*It is the admission request , the one that the candidate will have to jointly present/display with a curriculum vitae accompanied by 4 photos color. Curriculum will need the personal data, the academic and professional formation, of which it works, eventual participation in similar projects of social character or.*

### ***PHASE 2: Knowledge of history***

*In this phase the Aspiring must demonstrate the knowledge of the history of the Order, its organization, the objectives and the principles that regulate the internal life of the same one.*

*Such data will have to be presented /displayed in writing to the admission commission that will evaluate them.*

### **PHASE 3: Reasons**

*The Aspiring who shows intention to become Member of the Order, will have to answer the following questions:*

- A) So that it wants to enter at your service of Bonaria?*
- B) What hopes to find in the Order of Bonaria?*
- C) What hopes to receive from the Order of Bonaria?*
- D) What this ready to contribute to the good of the Order of Bonaria?*

### **PHASE 4: Colloquy**

*The last phase of the admission process happens with the colloquy of the postulate with one of the high members of the qualified Order to establish if the candidate has all the characteristics necessary to become Member from her.*

*The colloquy will happen in the official seat of the Priorato, Baliato or Skillful Sede.*

*The candidate will be accompanied by a Horseman who will have the task of becoming "Padrino" and that will accompany the formation by the new Postulante, under the supervision of the Teacher.*

### **Conclusion of the Process of verification:**

*A) Finished the diverse phases of verification of the candidate, the Prior, the Balio or the Chancellor, it will emit a document written in where it will expose the final conclusions with its due justifications; such opinion is determining for the final admission.*

*B) The opinion of being positive will have to indicate, justifying it, the degree in which advises is admitted the Aspiring.*

*C) The degree of nobility of an aspiring must be found out, be stated and supervised by the President of the Genealogical Council Heraldry of the Order, that will be sent in this sense.*

*D) With both opinions the Skillful Seat is sent incorporating it with the predicate of justice or of skillful grace, according to correspondence.*

*E) All the documentation will have to be sent to the Skillful seat located in Buenos Aires, having been copy of the process in the origin place. The decision of the Skillful Seat is unquestionable.*

## **ADMISSION OF THE MEMBERS**

- A) The Grand Master it is the only Authority that can admit Members in the Order and confirm promotions and allocations of merit.*

- B) *He can delegate in all case such authority in another Member of the Supreme Council.*
- C) *For the incorporations of Members at your service the subscription of an Oath of Fidelity to the Maison de Gevaudan and the Great Master is asked for.*
- D) *They are exonerated, of that it forces the previous section, the Chiefs of State, Princes, Kings or how many they are believed worthy of unquestionable faith in single opinion of Prince Sovereign Grand Master.*
- E) *Each Aspiring who enters to the rows of the Order (in the degree that will be) will have to donate symbolic and voluntary a sum of money (in on closed), that will be destined to works of charity in its name. The amount criterion of each postulate will have left. This act of charity will immediately be made a single time before its official crossover. Who cannot do it this way will have to demonstrate to his charity with works pía makes specific, whose report of accomplishment will elevate to the superiority, this one will elevate it to the Great Chancellery.*

## **DEGREES IN THE ORDER**

*Of minor to greater, the degrees in the Order are the Sequence:*

*Knight /Lady of skillful grace  
Knight /Lady of justice*

*Commander of skillful grace  
Commander of justice*

*Great Official of skillful grace  
Great Official of justice*

*Great Commander of skillful grace  
Great Commander of justice*

*Great Cross of skillful grace  
Great Cross of justice*

- *Although the classification arrives indicated is common in many Nations, the legislation of some States is different; in these cases a Decree of variation for adjustment will send the Grand Master, with particular reference to the rights of admission, obligations and promotions.*

## **MONKS**

A) *All the Priests and the Ministers of the Faith are admitted like Ecclesiastical Members (Chaplains of the Order). All the Monks will have to enclose in addition to the admission request and other anticipated documents, a certificate of their superior ecclesiastic in where he points out his sacerdotal position and in individual its ecclesiastical title.*

B) *Degrees in which the Chaplains will be admitted (of the minor to upper) are:*

- Attached Chaplain
- Chaplain
- Skillful Chaplain, Prior, Bailial or Comendadurial.
- Ecclesiastical Chaplain of Great Cross or Chaplain Prelate

C) *Between the different Ecclesiastical members the Grand Master he can name **Grand Spiritual Prior of the Order.***

## **CATEGORIES OF MEMBERS**

A) *There are two categories of Members in the Order, given at the moment of admission, these are: of Skillful Grace or Justice.*

B) *Normally the Postulat is accepted in the category of Justice if they provide the tests with nobility. Each Jurisdiction will establish the criteria of admission in such category in observance of the criteria used in such sense by each State and according to the tradition of the Nobiliario Right the International, such criteria will have to be approved by the Grand Master.*

C) *The probatory tests of nobility must be stated by the Head of the Genealogical Council Heráldico who, after pertinent verification, will communicate his to seem and the result of the search to the King of Arms and the Grand Chancellor.*

D) *The Members admitted in the category of justice will be authorized to dress the Cross Justice of the Order.*

D) *The rest will be admitted in the category of Skillful Grace, and will be authorized to dress the Cross Grace of the Order.*

## **PAYMENT OF OBLATIONS AND TAXES OF CROSSING**

A) *Each Member will have at your service to pay to the oblation of property and the taxes of passage in case of promotions, according to the amounts established by the Great Chancellery.*

*Until which such payments are not carried out, the property or the promotion of degree will not be effective.*

*B) All the payments of the enrolled Members directly must be done to the Great Chancellery by interval of the representations in each region and, if there are not them , to the Skillful seat of Buenos Aires.*

*C) The religious Members estan exentos of this oblation.*

*D) In exceptional cases and on explicit authorization of the Great Chancellery, the diverse Jurisdictions will be able to exonerate to interested of the payment of the rates.*

### **AGE FOR THE ADMISSION LIKE KNIGHT OR LADY**

*Except for cases in that the Grand Master by Decree or in the case that the Postulate has right to the admission for hereditary reasons, the Postulates is not admitted in the Order if they have not reached 21 years of age to the date of the investiture.*

*Exceptionally the Aspiring can be admitted to the degree of Knight from the age of 18 years by means of Decree of the Grand Master.*

### **ADMISSION AT YOUR SERVICE BEFORE MOST OF AGE**

*The entrance at your service for those people of inferior age to the 21 years is allowed to them in following categories:*

- Page*
- Escudero*

*To the category of Page it is possible to accede when the 8 (eight) years have been marked until the age of 14 (fourteen) years.*

*To the category of Escudero it is acceded from the age of 15 (fifteen) years to the 21 years.*

*The Great Master can choose a personal page and a escudero that will help it in all the official manifestations. Also Grand Priors can name an official page for the Priory.*

### **HEREDITARY ADMISSION OF MEMBERS**

*A) The children and/or the daughters of active members can, reached the eighteen years, at your service to demand belonging for reasons of hereditary right. Found out which the applicant has the requirements asked for the admission, the Grand Master will admit to*

*the candidate like a Knight or Lady, reserving itself higher degrees (to discretion of the Grand Master) in particular cases.*

*B) The children and daughters of Knight or Ladies of Justice who protect themselves in the hereditary right of admission, to be able to the degree of Knight or Lady with right to dress the cross justice will have to again present/display the necessary documentation to the concession of the category of Justice and, in defect of such tests, they will be admitted in the category of Skillful Grace.*

## **INVESTITURES**

*A) The Grand Master is the only Authority with right and powers to invest the Members, to grant promotions and/or recognitions.*

*It can delegate such authority to the High Officials specially designated to such effects; in such case this High Official will not be able to invest with degrees superior to which he himself has.*

*B) The Great Chancellor must be warned eight ahead weeks of desire to carry out an investiture ceremony and, in the absence of the Grand Master or of a representative his, this he will prose command to a High Official or delegate in the Head of the Jurisdiction the power to invest.*

## **RESIGNATIONS**

*A) All the Members until the degree of Commander can to ask for his resignation. Those of superior degrees will be considered "in Religious Union" to release them of duties or responsibilities in the Order.*

*B) All the Members of the Order that have behaviors in contrast to the chivalrous ethics will leave "ipso facto " to belong to the Order.*

*In case that concerned the social condition of a good Christian, they will be able these to make request to the Skillful Seat, by means of the Jurisdiction to which they belong and with good cause, so that to consideration of the Great one Master can to be refunded.*

*C) The dimisionados Members cannot dress the standards and the uniform the Order: he is desirable that the decorations they séan given back to the Head of Jurisdiction.*

## EXPULSIONS

A) *In the case that a Member has committed acts that go against the ethics and the rules of the Order, will be task of the Inquisitor of opening a position process to the defendant and of providing to the harvesting of the tests. In case the veracity of the tests is stated, he will be the Great Chancellor who emits the immediate expulsion of the Order.*

B) *The Members can be expelled from the Order, in case that they infringe the objectives and the rules of the Order.*

C) *The inferior Members with degree of Commander or can process be by the Great Inquisidor according to which had process with confirmation of the Great Chancellor; the Members of greater rank (with equal process) will need the confirmation the Great Master.*

D) *The inactive Members no matter how hard three years can be expelled from the Order by direct communication of the Great Chancellor, with the due notification to the Head of Jurisdiction.*

## RECOGNITIONS OF TITLES OR DEGREES OF OTHERS YOU ORDER

*No Member can use neither to shine, in the course of its duties, no title, recognition or decoration of other Orders that are not allowed explicitly by the Great Chancellery, nor can be arrogar for it of which it is a feudal heraldic title. Before anybody it doubts the interested ones they will have to go to the Grand Chancellor.*

## STANDARDS

*The official standard of the Order is Cruz flordelisiada Occitana, in its center it will count on the superimposed and crowned letters A.M. By on the whole it crowns real.*

*In the Knights and Ladies of Justice the standard of the Order (medal) will hang of the neck of celestre, white, blue a tape blue//celestial; ídem in the bow of the Ladies of Justice.*

*In the Knights and Ladies of Skillful Grace the standard of the Order (medal) will hang of the neck of white, blue a tape/celestre, white; ídem in the bow of the Ladies of Skillful Grace.*

- *Another emblematic one (uniform, plates, bands for authorities, brevet, boutonnière, heraldic shields of arms of the members of the Order, etc.) will be prescript by the Grand Master, and published opportunely by means of office of the Grand Chancellery.*

## **THE GRAND COLLAR AND THE COLLAR OF THE ORDER**

*The Necklace is the Maxima recognition expression that the Great one Master grants to the foreign Members of the Order or.*

*During the official ceremonies of the Order they will be the escort of honor of the Great Master, seating to its side in the honor sites, according to the Order of age.*

- A) The Necklace it is a great honor and signal of distinction and gratitude from the Great Master*
- B) It can be granted to Chiefs of State and Prime minister, to the Members of the Supreme Council that have served faithfully the Great Master and that are present in the Great Council by four years or more*
- C) It is granted of by life*
- D) The Grand Master is the only Member with right to shine **GRAND COLLAR**.*
- E) The President of the Supreme Council, the Great Chancellor, the Great Spiritual Prior and the King of Arms they have right to concession of **COLLAR**.*
- F) The “collar” in the category of justice could be granted not more than 33, decorated in everybody*

## **CHAPTER 3**

### **THE GRAND MASTER**

#### **HEAD OF THE ORDER**

*A) Being the Order of Bonaria of dynastic nature the Grand Master is by right and hereditary and exclusive prerogative of the Head of the House Sovereign Condal Gavaldà. For that reason Prince Sovereign Grand Master of the Order of Our Lady Santa Maria of Buenos Aires, under the protection of glorious San Martin de Tours, is S.A.R.S. prince Sovereign Conde of Gevaudan pertaining to the House of David-Toulouse-Gavaldà; in lack of direct heirs, the Sovereign, will be able to come to adopt suitable person to have with so high order, according to whatever is settled down of the rules of the heraldry adoption and honor.*

*B) To the death of Prince-Count the new Head of the Maison Royale ET Comtale de Gavaldà will be of right new Prince Great Sovereign Master of the Order of Knights of*

*Our Lady Santa Maria of Buenos Aires, under the protection of glorious San Martin de Tours.*

*C) The Great Master to be able to conserve the Teaching of the Order, will not have to never be in the excommunicate condition of or of suspended of the Holy Sacraments, these are only the two serious reasons by which it will have to leave the Gandt Master, becoming Gandt Honorary Master, yielding the powers to the Vicar of the Grand Master, that will be consecrated within the six later months like new Grand Master.*

*D) Before being invested as Head of Orden it, the Grand Master will pronounce the following oath before the presence of the General Chapter or in front of the Supreme Council:*

*“ I solemnly declare in front of the Virgin of Bonaria to honor, to sustain and always to observe the holy orders of the Order of Horsemen of Our Lady, Santa Maria of Buenos Aires, under the protection of Glorious San Martin de Tours and, I promise to do to honor them, to venerate loyally and to observe during and after my government as it agrees when having and the dignity of Prince Gran Master. Right of perpetual ownership that, will be my occupation to make observe the statutes, the laws and the dispositions to all the members of the Order. Thus it is, God helps me. God together loves the Virgin of Bonaria to lead my work. Amen. “*

*E) The Great one Master is the deposit taker of all the power in the Order.*

#### **APPOINTMENT OF the HIGH OFFICIALS and AUTHORITIES**

*A) The Grand Master will name all the Members of the Government of the Order.*

*B) In order to facilitate the direction of the subjects and the works of the Order, the Grand Master can, to discretion and without limitations, to delegate some of his powers or authority to another High Official of the Order.*

#### **VACANT SEAT OF THE GRAND MASTER**

*A) The succession will happen to the death of Prince Sovereign Grand Master to whom, as he specified preceding, His legitimate heir will happen or the heir designated by heraldic adoption and honor.*

*B) In the period between the adoption of the heir and the death of Prince Sovereign Grand Master, the designated heir will be decorated like Great Cross of the Order. In case that the death happened before Prince Gran Master have predicted to name a heir, will be the Supreme Council of the Order that decides the name of new Prince Sovereign Grand Master, such decision will have to be respected by all Co-Brother.*

C) *All the referred one to the Heir and the Great Maestrazgo will be protocolizado before a Notary of confidence of the Prince in the testamentary dispositions of S.A.R.S. Prince Count de Gevaudan and Prince Grand Sovereign Master of the O.S.M.B.A.*

D) *The adoption will be certified by notary's documents written up by notary public of confidence of the Prince. Such document could not be signed after the death of Prince Sovereign Grand Master and will pawn to all the Cofrades to obedience towards new Prince Sovereign under pain of the immediate loss of each honor, granted degree and title.*

E) *All the inherent documentation at your service will be guarded in the Seat of the Grand Master.*

F) *The Viscount de Grezes and Prince Hereditary to Crown are named "ipso facto" like Grandt Vicar with right of succession to the Grand Master.*

G) *If the inheriting Prince whom he has to assume the position of Grand Master has not turned the 18 years of age, or does not assume the position temporarily, for some reason, the Order will be governed "temporarily" by the General Chapter, that will assume the control until a the profit of most of age of the inheriting Prince.*

## **STATUTES FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE ORDER**

*The Grand Master will promulgate the Statutes for the government of the Order to his complete discretion and, in case that she creates it necessary, with the aid of the Supreme Council.*

### **CHAPTER 4**

#### **THE GRAND CHANCELLOR**

A) *The Grand Chancellor is the first Dignitary of the Order after the Grand Master. It replaces the Grand Master when this one this incapable preventing that is to fulfill the duties of his condition.*

B) *In the possible death or abdication of the Grand Master, the Grand Chancellor will temporarily govern the Order, by the maximum of six months, necessary time so that the new Grand Master assumes his functions or until a when the General Chapter meets like Regency.*

C) *The Grand Chancellor, in such period, will be the Maxima authority of the Order; will be only invested temporarily with the powers of the Grand Master. Provisory it will have to be able decisional on questions smaller than they do not alter the balances of the Order.*

## **APPOINTMENT OF THE GRAND CHANCELLOR**

*The Grand Chancellor is named and/or demitido of by life by the Grand Master. It can, with consent of the General Chapter, to be named with right a succession.*

## **CHAPTER 5**

### **THE GOVERNMENT OF THE ORDER**

*A) EI Government of the Order will consist of:*

- The General Chapter*
- The Great Skillful Council*
- The Supreme Council*
- Great the Secretaries and the Heads of Jurisdiction*
- Representing Ambassadors also called Permanent*

*B) All the appointments and resignations of the Government of the Order will be to discretion of the Grand Master, and will be life to his to seem.*

*C) All the correspondence between the Heads Jurisdiction and the Grand Master that talks about at your service, will have to be presented/displayed by interval of the Grand Chancellor or the Ambassadors of the Order.*

*D) All the Members of the Government of the Order, with the exception of the Hereditary Commanders, will retire at the age of eighty years and will have to resign. They will be able to ask for following in charge of their tasks by a period of two years more, followed by a second period of equal duration at the most, to discretion of the Grand Master.*

### **CORRESPONDENCE CHANNEL**

*All the correspondence between any Member of the Order, is he a Member of the Supreme Council, Head of Jurisdiction or another equal one, without exception, and the Great Master, on inherent matters at your service, will be canalized by the Great Chancellery.*

*The degrees at your service to subalter and the strange people to us who wish to contact themselves with the Grand Master on inherent arguments at your service, the Grand Chancellor will inform first a and will provide a monograph on the points to deal with the Grand Master.*

## **THE GENERAL CHAPTER**

*A) The General Chapter can transitorily govern the single Order in case of extreme necessity even when the heir to Corona assumes the plenary sessions powers of the government of the Order.*

*EI General Chapter is made up of all the Members of the Order, are lay or religious.*

*B) EI General Chapter will be summoned by the Great Chancellor by recommendation of the Skillful Council. The General Chapter can at any time be summoned by the Great Master in case that this one creates it opportune for the interests of the Order.*

*C) The right to vote in the General Chapters and all the other meetings of the Order will be limited all the Members from the degree of Commander, without delegation possibility. Any exception must be approved by the Grand Master.*

*D) In occasion to summon itself to a General Chapter, the Grand Chancellor will send suitable communication to the Heads of Jurisdiction, on the Daily routine.*

*E) Received the call, the Heads of Jurisdiction will transmit to the Grand Chancellor the list of the members with right to vote. If this one list did not arrive at the Grand Chancellor within the six weeks from it receives the call will not be recognized with right to vote. When receiving the list, the Grand Chancellor will send to the Head of Jurisdiction so many cards of voting as apt Members have inquired.*

*F) The Heads of Jurisdiction will distribute voting cards the interested ones and will together provide to their retirement, sending them in on closed the Grand Chancellor.*

*G) The Members “in Religionis Union” will be contacted and summoned directly in such occasion by the Grand Chancellor.*

## **THE GREAT SKILLFUL ADVICE**

*A) Normally the Great Skillful Council will meet periodically, and will be summoned by the Grand Chancellor by Order of the Grand Master.*

*B) The agenda of works of the Great Skillful Council will be ready by the Grand Chancellor.*

*C) In the meeting of the Great Skillful Council they will participate the Great Master, the Grand Chancellor, the King of Arms, the President of the Council, the Head of the Council Genealogy and Heraldry, the Grand Inquisidor, Great Hospitable and the all members that are part of the government of the Order with delegation of responsibilities. The present Heads of Jurisdiction and Ambassadors will be able to participate in the meetings of the Skillful Council in the territory of the Skillful Seat to the date of call.*

*D) All the Members of the Order can participate in the works in quality of listeners, being able to be ordered of temporary tasks.*

*E) The Members of the Skillful Council receive treatment of" Excellence. "*

## **DUTIES OF THE MEMBERS**

### **- Diplomatic Body:**

*The Permanent ambassadors or Representatives mthe bilateral relations between the States that provide with accomodations to us and the Government of the Order antienen ; they take care to investigate and to propose to the Council works and actions so that the Order can undertake in the hospedantes States.*

### **- King of Arms:**

*It has the faculty to elaborate and to grant, after the approval from the Great Chancellor, the shields of arms of the Members. It collaborates in the ceremonial one of the Order.*

### **- Great Guardian of the Treasure:**

*It works in narrow collaboration with the Great Chancellor on the due revision and correction of the accounts.*

### **- General lawyer:**

*It advises on legal matters and it attends any Jurisdiction in its legal problems anywhere in the world.*

### **- Guardian of Private Seal:**

*It advises to the Grand Chancellor*

### **- Grand Inquisitor:**

*To him the disciplinal judgment of the Members is incumbent on, according to some of the following forms:*

*A) Call of verbal attention*

*B) Call of written attention*

*C) Suspension of the activities in the Order by a period of six months to a year*

*D) Definitive exoneration of the Order, by means of had process*

*The resolution of the measurement has to be informed in written form Prince Sovereign Grand Master, needing in clear form the motivations of such decision. Admitted the resource, Prince Sovereign Grand Master in the limit of thirty days of receipt the resource will be able to confirm the adopted measurement, either to annul the effects completely, or to determine more severe pain or but weighs.*

*The person of Prince Sovereign Grand Master not the this subject to the Inquisitor under any position like also either this Skillful Council in its totality.*

*The Knight or Lady of any degree that is investigated by the Magistrate of their country, comes “ipso facto” suspended from the Order. Who suffers sentence or penal imprisonment, definitively he is private of its decorations and expelled from the Order; in addition the one is expelled from the Order that has not fulfilled loyalty due to the House Principe and Count de Gavalda and at your service of Our Lady, Santa Maria of Buenos Aires, under the protection of glorious San Martin de Tours.*

**– Head of the Council: Genealogy and Heraldry.**

*The administration of the noble predicates corresponds to him.*

*He is responsible for the administration of all the Heraldic matter of the Order, maintains and it administers all the archives, it must give a summary annually of which it has built.*

**– Great Guardian of the Standards:**

*It tries the supplying and the distribution of all the standards and other articles provided by the Order, under approval of the Grand Chancellor.*

## **COMPANY/SIGNATURE ON DOCUMENTS**

*A) Skillful decrees:*

**- Grand Master**

*B) Appointments and dispositions of the Supreme Council:*

**- Grand Master**

**- Grand Chancellor**

**- A Member of the Supreme Council**

*All the other Skillful Deliberations, Diplomas for Heads of Jurisdiction and other pertaining ones at your service and to administrative practices:*

**- Grand Master**

**- Grand Chancellor**

*C) The documents that are not subscribed since it has been anticipated will be believed null and faltos of effectiveness.*

## **JURISDICTIONS**

*A) The Order is divided in different Jurisdictions the ones that taking denominations have equal prestige and importance.*

*They comprise of the Government of the Order and are commanded by:*

**Grand Priors**

**Bailios**

**Commanders**

**Hereditary commanders**

*B) the great Jurisdictions can be divided in called sub-jurisdictions Bailiats or Comendadurías, but such jurisdictions always are put under their National Jurisdiction.*

*C) A National Jurisdiction, in the formation process, will be called Delegation. This one will act in subordination to another already function National Jurisdiction.*

*D) The names of Great Prior and Gran Bailiato are reserved to those Jurisdictions subdivided in sub-jurisdictions, or that contain in their territories a Hereditary Commendatory the ones that, for their nature, is not responsible to the Jurisdiction in where they stem directly located but the Grand Master.*

*E) The Heads of Jurisdiction, properly named and approved, act like representatives of the Government of the Order. They they are the only people in charge by all the matters and activities, officials and nonofficials, reason why they do and by the permanence of the members of the Jurisdiction, like thus also of sub- jurisdictions of them employees. In agreement with the Constitution and the Statutes the Head of Jurisdicción he can delegate, in case that it is necessary, powers and responsibilities to the Regional Chancellor of the Jurisdiction.*

*F) The Heads of Jurisdiction can name Dignitaries local of the Order such as: Regional chancellor, Regional Teacher, Hospitable and a Elemosionario and other officials in subordination to such, according to are necessary by the circumstances, also in the Comendadurias (sub-jurisdictions) to submissive them, although these powers can delegate them to the Heads of the sub-jurisdictions.*

*G) The Head of Jurisdiction can name, between the ecclesiastical authorities of the Jurisdiction, a Spiritual Prior.*

*H) Before the substitution or sece of a Head of Jurisdiction or sub-jurisdiction, all the named ones in such circumscriptions decay and must be replaced or famous. The replacement or renaming will be to discretion of the new Head of Jurisdiction.*

*I) The heads of the sub-jurisdictions do not comprise of the Government of the Order, but their officials will retire such in terms and with similar conditions of the Members that comprise of the Government of the Order. Any prolongation will be granted by the Head of previous Jurisdiction conformity of the Great Chancellery.*

*J) Each Jurisdiction must have a National flag, a Flag of the Order (of he himself size and material), processional Cross, a ceremonial Sword and blue velvet pillows for support of the Sword and the Decorations.*

*K) The Authorities of the Order (Priors, Bailios, etc.) will be able to use laurels golden in the lapels of their layers, like symbol of their authority.*

## **HEREDITARY COMMANDERS**

*A) The installation of a Hereditary Commander is to discretion of the Grand Master, on written request.*

*This request must contain the irrevocable persistence of the postulate to dedicate to the Order a building, marries, Church or Chapel, together to the parcel of land, the proposal of the name to occur to the Hereditary Commendatory and the consent of the own Head of Jurisdiction, if it were necessary.*

*The request must be sent to the Grand Master by interval of the Grand Chancellery.*

*B) If the dedicated buildings at your service are lost or no longer are they in favor available of part of the Order, the Hereditary Commendatory will be revoked.*

*C) In case of death or retirement of a Hereditary Commander, the assembly of all the members of the family of the Hereditary Commander must choose a successor and propose it to the Grand Chancellor.*

*D) The new Hereditary Commander will be named by the Grand Master through Skillful Decree.*

## **PART II**

### **STATUTES**

### **CHAPTER 6**

#### **ADMINISTRATION**

#### **GENERAL ADMINISTRATION**

*A) All the Statutes and the Decrees of the Central Government of the Order and the Grand Master will be promulgated by the office of the Grand Chancellor, who will send to copies of such Statutes or Decrees to each Head of Jurisdiction of the Order, and other people who must have knowledge of which she has herself sanctioned.*

*It will be responsibility of each national Jurisdiction to establish the procedures to assure that each affiliated Member and at your service receives warning of each made decision.*

*B) All you order them will be emanated by the Grand Master by interval of the Grand Chancellor and they will be promulgated by the same Grand Chancellery.*

*C) It is prohibited the direct communication between Officials or Members of the Jurisdictions to each other, without the direct authorization of the Grand Chancellery. They will be able to communicate in own questions of the Order having to only mediate explicit authorization of the Grand Chancellery to such aim.*

*D) All the votings in the Order will be done personally. Written delegations will not be accepted.*

## **PERIODIC STORIES AND MINISTRY OF HOUSE**

*A) The year of the Order will be of the 1 of January to the 31 of December; the financial year will last equal.*

*B) Before the 31 of March of every year, an annual summary of all the made one and the general and particular state of each Jurisdiction, accompanied by the payment of the sums due will have to be sent to the Grand Chancellor.*

*The sent Balance will have to brief the approval preventively of described independent auditors as the Jurisdiction that sends it.*

*The debera countable report to specify:*

*- The act of the Reviewers of Cuentas of the Jurisdiction and the sub-jurisdictions of the employees*

*- The balance, that it will have to contain the global results of the Jurisdiction and the sub-jurisdictions.*

*- The annual state on the built thing by the Jurisdiction, with particular reference to the harvesting by works of charity, campaigns medicinal, et cetera.*

*- The list of the Members of the Jurisdiction with the relative had degrees at the outset and at the end of the year, the list of the Postulates admitted with the relative degrees, the list of the promotions with specification of the degrees, the list of amolestados and the deceased.*

*C) On all the perceived sums for a reason or purpose of annual oblations the Jurisdictions will retain the approved sum and will send the rest to the Great Chancellery.*

*D) On the ordinary and/or extraordinary voluntary oblations of the Members that enter, the Jurisdictions will retain what for them it was approved and will send the rest to Great Chancellery together to the admission questions .*

*E) The rates by the promotions will have to be spilled integrally to the Great Chancellery, together with the documentation of each case.*

*F) The rights relative to chapter 6 section 2 will be given back if the corresponding practices did not find welcome.*

*G) The rates and donations will have the following percentage:*

*- Commendatory or Regional Bailiato: 10%*

*- Grand Prior: 30%*

*- Grand Prior Continental: 20%*

*- Host Skillful: 40%*

*These donations will be necessary to finance beneficial works.*

*H) If sub-jurisdictions of a National Jurisdiction exist, all the annual taxes and oblations must be paid to the National Jurisdiction directly that will send them a the Skillful seat.*

*I) All the positions of the Members of the Order they are gratuitous and “ad honorem”.*

*J) No economic reason of the Order will be able to put in danger the personal goods of Prince Soberano Great Master, those that do not belong to patrimony of the Order and therefore are not endorsement nor guarantee of its actions.*

## **STATUTES OF JURISDICTIONS**

*The Heads of Jurisdictions, previous authorization of the Great Chancellor, can promulgate Statutes or Regulations for the good administration of their Jurisdictions but, such Statutes and Regulations cannot contain norms discordes or contradictories with the deliberations and the Statutes emanated by the Skillful Seat and/or other superior Authorities of the Order. For its implementation they will have to ask for authorization to the Great Chancellery.*

## **CHAPTER 7**

### **PROPERTY**

*A) Each candidate to belong at your service will put under his demand of admission in double copy, by interval of his National Jurisdiction and if there will not be it directly to the Great Chancellery, on the basis of the models of request ready by the Order. The demand will be accompanied by a Certificate of Baptism of the candidate and other briefed documents.*

*B) A copy of the demand accompanied of Certificate by Baptism and of other documents, will be put under the Great Chancellor, signed by the Head of Jurisdiction and the Regional Chancellor, provided with the had seal of the Jurisdiction.*

### **CATEGORY OF JUSTICE**

*A) The Candidates for the category of Justice will put under the Head of the Genealogical Council Heraldic their genealogical tree accompanied by the own shield of arms and will declare in writing, in oath form, the veracity of the produced news relative to the ascending ones, that they offer doubtful interpretations. Each generation enumerated in the request will be sustained by satisfactory tests and will indicate to the dates and birthplaces, wedding and death, etc., of the mentioned people.*

*B) Each Jurisdiction of the Order will establish, according to the nobility rules of the region, their own criterion for the admission in the category of Justice and will deposit in*

*the Great Chancellery a copy of such criteria, the ones that they have to contain necessary the requisite minimums, the ones that will be approved by the Great Master.*

*C) According to the tradition, the Ecclesiastical Members of the Order in the dignity of Cardinal of the Catholic Church will be accepted in the category of Justice like "Princes" of the Church.*

*D) The Cross of Justice does not grant individual already dignity to the Horsemen and/or Ladies who are compared to the ones of skillful grace; a simple traditional symbol in agreement with the historical legacy of the Order is form to call them is single.*

*E) The Members of Justice pardon to use in front of the Grand Master white gloves like symbol of their condition, as long as the Sovereign of the Order uses.*

### **GENERAL RULES**

*A) Men and women can accede at your service.*

*In the Order distinction will not become of sex and the women will be put under the same rights and duties that the men.*

*For the ladies, the traditional decoration is replaced by a lady bow or equal, according to it settles down and it is authorized by the Grand Master.*

*B) At the same time he is desirable is granted equal degree to married husband and woman.*

*C) The property at your service is of life.*

*D) Those members that did not participate in the hospitable, ecumenical activity or in other initiatives of the Order or which their oblations do not pagáren, will be transferred to the paper of inactive.*

*Each Jurisdiction will make a list of the Members that, annually they are inscriptions in the category of inactive. This listing will be part of the annual report that each jurisdiction must send to the Great Chancellery.*

*To the inactive Members no longer it will be solicited to participate to them in the initiatives of the Order and any news or meeting of the Order will not communicate to them.*

*The inactive Members can shine the standards and the uniform of the Order in the appropriate occasions when the protocol anticipates it.*

*The inactive Members by three years can be expelled from the Order by the Grand Chancellor, previous consultation to the Head of Jurisdiction.*

*E) All the inactive Members can return to be active Members by means of request that must direct to the Grand Chancellor, explaining properly the motivations of their distance, enclosing the certainty of the treasurer of the National Jurisdiction in where it*

*appears that the applicant has fulfilled the payment of all whatever owes at your service to the date in which wishes to be rehabilitated.*

*F) All the Members that wish to resign or rejoice must inform into it the Head of Jurisdiction before 1° of November of every year, otherwise they will have to pay the oblation for the following year.*

*G) When, for right that they are to be needed properly by the Member and to be approved by the Grand Master, a Member cannot or it does not wish to comprise of the National Jurisdiction in where it resides, or of another National Jurisdiction, by means of due justification, it was within the Order in the category of “in union religions” and will be put directly under the jurisdiction of the Grand Chancellery.*

*H) Each Member will be authorized to return annually to the Jurisdiction of competition. If for any reason the return to the Jurisdiction is not possible , the Member will refer it in writing to the Grand Chancellery. Any Member that resigns to the return by two years consecutive will be believed inactive.*

*By consequence he no longer will be forced to correspondence the annual obligations.*

*By general rule each Member is part of the National Jurisdiction in the country in which it resides.*

*If the National Jurisdiction were divided in sub jurisdictions, he will be new recruit in nearest his address.*

*If a Member is transferred from a sub-jurisdiction to another one, its variation of property will have to be authorized by the Head Jurisdiction.*

*I) Those Members that they want to go to a Hereditary Commendatory or vice versa, will have to petition it to the Hereditary Commander and will have to obtain authorization written by the Grand Chancellor.*

*J) The Members that live in a State different from where are new recruits are automatically considered Members honorary of the Jurisdiction in which they live and will participate in all the activity of this Jurisdiction. They will not be able to vote in the Jurisdiction in which they are honorary Members.*

*They will be able to future to present/display demand of transfer to the Jurisdiction that provides with accomodations it in case of change of residence and in such case they will lose all right in the Jurisdiction of origin.*

*K) He is desirable and opportune that, in case of resignations or death, the standards relative to the interested Member are given back to the Head of Jurisdiction of which this one has been Member.*

*L) The degree of Grand Cross is a signal of high distinction. It closely is reserved to Chiefs of State, Ministers, Governors, Generals et cetera, and Members of the Supreme Council and Heads of Jurisdiction who have served faithfully the Grand Master.*

*M) The rank of Grand Cross Clergyman is reserved to Cardinals, Patriarchs, Archbishops, Bishops and Abbots of all the Christian denominations.*

*Or) the rank of Commander is reserved to the Heads of Jurisdiction and to those members that, even not having orders, have served at your service by ten or more years.*

## **FUNERAL OF THE PASSED AWAY MEMBER**

*The Order only participates in the funeral rituals on specific request of the relatives of the passed away Member.*

*The relatives of the Knight or passed away Lady must right to place the layer on the coffin with all the honors of the present Members.*

*The Knight or the Lady could be buried with the Flag of the Order.*

## **CHAPTER 8**

### **CRITERIA OF ALLOCATION OF THE DECORATIONS**

*The allocation criteria will be enumerated by Skillful Decrees emanated directly by the Grand Master.*

*The Decree will intend the criteria necessary to establish “the actions”, “the facts”, “the services” and “the circumstances” that can determine the Concession of the Decorations.*

*It will contain the lineamientos on like regulating the procedures by the concession of each Decoration.*

*The Decorations of Merit, could be granted to them to any citizen, physical or legal person that have the established requirements to deserve the distinction.*

### **DECORATIONS OF THE ORDER**

#### **MEDAL “GRATIA PLENA”**

*It is the Maxima decoration of the Order.*

*The medal has by purpose wanting of awarding and of distinguishing to all those people and institutions that have behaviors and Bonario value.*

*The medal “Gratia Plena ” could be granted to the Knight or Ladies of the Order and people or to institutions that are not part of her and, which have been distinguished by its sublime virtues, actions and humanitarian works that contribute to make the name great of the Order or the communal property of the Community all.*

*Description: The medal has circular form, bordered on cross form, will be of silver and will say in its front A.M. (Ave Maria), letters interlaced bordered of irises, and in their later part the inscription Order of Bonaria, total medal “gratia”.*

## **MERIT MEDAL “SAN MARTIN OF TOURS”**

*A) The decoration of Merit “San Martin de Tours” is granted without distinction of religion, nationality, race, language or sex to people and institutions outside the Order, like thus also to members of the Order. The Condecoración of Merit can be granted “motu proprio” by the Grand Master, or thus same by recommendation of the Heads of Jurisdiction, with consent of the Grand Chancellor.*

*B) The Grand Master can settle down by Decree other procedures and requirements for the concession of the Decoration of Merit “San Martin de Tours”.*

*C) The Decoration of Merit does not constitute right of property at your service nor grants chivalrous title reason why the possessors cannot take Cape of the Order.*

## **OTHER RECOGNITIONS OF THE ORDER**

*Other recognitions of the Order are:*

- The Cross of Merit*
- The Real Cross*
- The Decoration to the Merit of prolonged Service*
- The Medals and Decorations granted individually by the National Jurisdictions*

## **CROSS OF MERIT OF THE ORDER**

*The Cross of Merit of the Order will be granted solely to members of the Order by commendable conduct. Lucira to the chest and dira in its front “ad merite”.*

## **REAL CROSS**

*A) The decoration with the Real Cross will be for which they have been distinguished by his work in favor of welfare works of charity and of the Order, including the members of the Order.*

*B) The standard will be constituted by Cruz Occitana surpassed by Old Corona of the complete Order of 4 flowers of gold lily. It will hang of a white gold tape bordered with a red tape the center.*

*C) This decoration does not constitute chivalrous property at your service, but the possessor of such decoration this authorized to dress Cape the Order.*

## **MEDAL TO THE MERIT OF LONG SERVICE**

*The Decoration to the Merit of prolonged service, could be granted to each Member of the Order that has lent twenty service years continuous like titling of a position in the Order.*

## **COMMEMORATIVE MEDALS**

*The National Jurisdictions in charge to organize a meeting of the Great Skillful Council, or other important manifestations of the Order, are authorized to coin Commemorative Medals to remember such events.*

*The Commemorative Medals will be given to each participant.*

*The drawing of such Medals will have to be approved by the King of Arms of the Order.*

## **PART THREE**

### **GENERAL RULES**

#### **CHAPTER 9**

#### **FLAGS, STANDARDS, SEALS and STANDARDS OF the ORDER**

*A) The Flag of each Jurisdiction is the same one of the Order.*

*B) The Shield of the Order is of loaded Greek cross silver of blue with the interlaced letters A.M. in its quarter second.*

*C) Each type of used Flag and Standard in the Order must authorized and be registered by the King of Arms of the Order.*

#### **SEALS OF THE ORDER**

*A) The personal seals of the Grand Master and of the Grand Chancellor is:*

*The Personal Shield of Arms of the Grand Master or of the Grand Chancellor, in a surrounded field of the inscription **Ordo Equitum Bonaerensis** and “Grand Master” or “Grand Chancellor”, in one of the official languages of the Order.*

*B) Seal of the Members of the Supreme Council:*

*Cruz Occitana of the locked up Order in a field with the inscription of **O.S.M.B.A.** and the office or the functions of the holder, in one of the official languages of the Order.*

C) *Seal of the Jurisdictions is:*

*The shield of Arms of the locked up Order in a circle with the legend "Ordo Equitum Bonaerensis " plus the name of the Jurisdiction and the office of the holder, in one of the official languages of the Order, spoken in the State in which the Jurisdiction resides.*

*Only the Hereditary Heads of Jurisdiction, Grand Priors, Commanders, Bailíos, Delegates , Commanders, their the Regional substitutes and Chancellors are authorized to use Seal of the Jurisdiction.*

D) *All the Seals used in the Order must be authorized and be registered by the King of Arms of the Order.*

## **CHAPTER 10**

### **UNIFORMS OF THE ORDER**

#### **GENERAL RULES**

A) *While the use of Uniforms is optional, the use of Cape and the Decoration are indispensable in the investitures and the official services of the Order.*

B) *Since the Order is world-wide and combines members of many Nations, where several clothes exist, is possible certain flexibility with its due variations, in details or drawings, inasmuch as it concerns to the form of Uniformes. All the members of a National Jurisdiction will dress Uniforms identical model.*

C) *The masculine uniforms of the Order are:*

- *Great Uniform*
- *Uniform in full dress*
- *Layer of Church*

D) *In all the formal occasions the Ladies are invited to dress a black long dress in complete sleeves and Cape Church.*

E) *Uniform military man or of other operating Bodies in the Nation where the Jurisdiction has seat , they can replace in each circumstance and according to he is advisable Uniforme of the Order.*

#### **IT CASTRATES CEREMONIAL (Church)**

*Cape of Ceremonies:*

- *Target with Sky Blue neck/for the Knights and the Ladies of SKILLFUL GRACE*
- *Blue with white neck for the Knights and the Ladies of JUSTICE*
- *White completely with a sun metal daisy golden in the lapel for the BODY OF VOLUNTEERS*

- *White or Blue for the Knights or Ladies HONORARIA, according to it will correspond*

## **USE OF THE DIFFERENT UNIFORMS**

*A) The Great one Uniform and Uniforme in full dress is dressed in all the occasions when he is present the Great Master and in all the Ceremonies, ej. Investitures. They also can be dressed in those manifestations in which the Order is presented/displayed officially.*

*B) The uniform of behind schedule or supper, is dressed in the meetings of the Order that take place after the decline.*

*The great uniform or in full dress uniforms and the uniform of behind schedule, or of supper, it will correspond respectively to clothes anticipated in the forms “White Necktie” or “Black Necktie”; both can indifferently be vest in a supper in full dress.*

*C) Cape of Church is taken in the religious ceremonies, courtships and investitures, funerals or other ceremonies in where the Order is officially present. It can be dressed on the uniform or the suitable civil dress.*

*D) Diurnal ceremonies: I brought dark for Horsemen and Ladies. If it is Mass the Knights they will have to shine black monkey, the Ladies skirt and short or gathered hair. The Ladies always with long sleeves.*

*E) Evening ceremonies: frack or smoking (minimumly I brought straight black of three bellboys with surrounded shoes and black necktie). Ladies of full length.*

## **CHAPTER 11**

### **PROTOCOL OF THE ORDER**

#### **USE OF STANDARDS, DECORATIONS AND MEDALS**

##### **GENERAL RULES**

*A) The ones that have been promoted to the category of Grace or Justice or have received the Decoration to the Merit, will take only the standards of the having highest degree.*

*B) The ones that they have received Crosses or the Medals of merit of the Order will be able to at the same time dress it in all the degrees that have been granted them.*

*C) It is not possible to be dressed more a Necklace at the same time.*

*D) To the maximum they are possible to be dressed only one Necklace, four Plates alongside left of the chest and a decoration to the neck, unless in the Great military uniforms, where it is allowed to take two decorations to the neck, underneath of the other.*

*E) On the Layers Decorations cannot be taken, except for Necklaces in ceremonies.*

*F) The decorations get dressed on the Great Uniform or indumenta of Finery or military uniforms, the miniatures on the indumenta of behind schedule.*

*G) They must right to use plate and band only the Authorities of the Order like symbol of the dignity of its function, as also the Great Officials and the Great Crossings. The Knight luciran it crossed to the chest from the left shoulder to the right hip; the Ladies luciran it crossed from the right shoulder to the left hip.*

*H) The Decoration feminine is adapted to a tape bow or monkey that is taken on the left sine; underneath Cape.*

*I) White gloves: single the Members of Justice in its diverse precedence*

## **SPECIFIC ASPECTS**

### **PRECEDENCES**

*Advance or anteriority that has the Horsemen and/or Ladies of the Order in general línea and individual of displacement, seat and nomination. That is to say:*

#### **General guideline:**

*the precedence of the Order, greater to sera minor:*

- 1. The Grand Master*
- 2. The Grand Chancellor*
- 3. Members of Skillful advice*
- 4. Grand Prior*
- 5. Regional chancellor*
- 6. Knights of Justice (per date of crossover)*
- 7. Ladies of Justice (per date of entrance)*
- 8. Knights of Skillful grace (per date of crossover)*
- 9. Ladies of Gracias Skillful (per date of ingrso)*
- 10. Knights Honoraria*
- 11. Ladies Honorarias*
- 12. Members of the Body of masculine Volunteers*
- 13. Members of the Body of Vulluntarios feminine*
- 14. Escuderos*
- 15. Pajes*
- 16. Aspirings*

*\* in particular situations listing will be able to be had special precedence.*

**Nomination:**

*in the cases in that they must be name the nomination will become of greater minor.*

**Of seat:**

*in skillful meetings y/u officials of the Order the Horsemen and/or Ladies seated from where the this located Great Master or Authority who represents it of greater smaller precedence.*

**Of displacement:**

*in all official linear displacement, the displacement will be of greater to smaller precedence, safe in the case of procession in where sera proportionally to the inverse one. In the civil displacements the sera right destined to the Authority or Knight or Lady of greater precedence, mainly in the case of the Grand Master to whom never it will have to give it to him the left.*

## TREATMENTS

*Correct form to go to the Knights and/or Ladies, the one that will differ if oral or it is written.*

**Oral:**

- 1. To the Prince Sovereign Great Master: Its Calmest and Real Height or of Su Señoría Ilustrísima or Grand Master or Gentleman*
- 2. To the Grand Chancellor: Your Excellency Grand Canciller or Excmo. Mr. Gran Great Chancellor or Chancellor*
- 3. To the Grand Prior: Grand Prior or Mr. Grand Prior*
- 4. To the Chancellor Regional: Chancellor or Mr. Canciller*
- 5. Knight of Justice and/or Lady of Justice: Knight or Don XX/Dama or doña XX*
- 6. Gracia Knight Skillful: Knight or Don XX/Dama or doña XX*

*\* those that had nobile titles could indifferently be treated like Excellence, except for the Grand Master who receives the treatment of His Calmest and Real Height or Her Su Señoría Ilustrísima; also the professionals can be treated like such (Prof. /Dr. /Lic. /etc.) after the corresponding treatment, by example: Knight Dr. XX*

**Writing:**

*When going ( via email or epistolamente) it will be come in writing from the following way:*

- 1. Putting in front to treatment the word To or To according to will correspond, example: To Mr. Grand Prior*
- 2. In the case of the Grand Sera Master: TO S.A.S. and R. the Sovereign Grand Master of the Order of Knights of Our Lady, Santa Maria of Buenos Aires*
- 3. In case of Grand sera Chancellor: TO S.E. Grand Chancellor of the Order of Knights of Our Lady, Santa Maria of Buenos Aires*

4. *In the case of a Great one Prior: TO S.E. (if gift XX, Grand Prior of XX of the Order corresponds) of Knights of Our Lady, Santa Maria of Buenos Aires*
5. *In the case of Regional chancellor: TO S.E. (if gift XX corresponds), Regional Chancellor of XX of the Order of Knights of Our Lady, Santa Maria de Buenos Aires*
6. *In the case of Knights or Lady of Justice: To the C.J. (Knight of Justice) Don XX or A the D.J. (Lady of Justice) doña XX*
7. *In the case of Knight or Lady of Skillful Grace: To the C.G.M. (Knight of Gracia Skillful) gift XX or To the D.G.M. (Lady of Skillful Grace) doña XX*

## **STANDARD**

*Maxima standard that represents the presence of the Grand Master.*

*It will precede immediately to the figure of the Grand Master and sera carried by the Knight of smaller precedence or by that designates the Grand Maestrazgo. It was placed to the left of the Grand Master.*

## **SWORD**

*Chivalrous meaning that will precede the procession of the Order, taken like cross, is carried by the Skillful Teacher or by whom designates the Grand Maestrazgo.*

- *The Grand Chancellor ía will opportunely emit the general and particular considerations of the protocol of the Order.*

## **CHAPTER 12**

### **GENERAL RULES HERÁLDICAS**

- A) *Like Order the Independent International and, to title of Sovereignty, the Order has the right to regulate the heraldic use of its Members.*
- B) *Although it is not solicited, each member of the Order must have a Shield of Arms by its nature and condition. He is desirable that the heraldic tradition continues in the Order, is like commemoration of its history, is added like ceremonial significant. For that reason the Order can and must grant blazons by mandate of the Grand Master to the King of Arms.*

## **AGGREGATE OF ARMS HERÁLDICAS TO THE BLAZONS OF THE MEMBERS**

- A) *The aggregate of arms is only allowed to place in the heraldic of the shields of personal arms of the members, previous authorization of the King of Arms and after approving Decree liberation with company/signature of the Grand Chancellor.*
- B) *Each Knight or Lady, when entering to the Order, receives an individual shield of Arms, this will be able to be used of the following way:*
- a. *in the stationery store personnel (cards and esquelas) in center metric of the paper or in left margin of the paper. The authorization is prolonged to the use of email.*
  - b. *to reproduce it and to better use it in its private law (address) of the way that consider in to chevalier or articles personal*
  - c. *Web will not be able to be used in pages nor in C.V. nor no massive means that are not bound strictly to the questions of the Order*

## **AGGREGATE HERALDIC FOR THE HIGH OFFICIALS**

*By addition to the indicated heraldic emblems in the previous chapter, the high Officials will add, by old tradition, the following emblems:*

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| <i>. The Grand Guardian of the Treasure:</i> | <i>Two keys after the shield</i>                      |
| <i>. The Grand Chancellor:</i>               | <i>A cane and a scepter after the shield</i>          |
| <i>. Hospitable Grand:</i>                   | <i>A cane and the medical symbol after the shield</i> |
| <i>. The King of Arms:</i>                   | <i>A Cane and a pen of ganso after the shield</i>     |
| <i>. The Ambassadors:</i>                    | <i>A sword and a scepter after the shield</i>         |
| <i>. The Grand Inquisidor:</i>               | <i>A sword and a lance after the shield</i>           |

## **CHAPTER 13**

### **HONORARY KNIGHTS AND LADIES**

#### **GENERAL RULES**

*The Grand Master can decide of motu proprio to grant to some individuals that distinguish themselves by their works and its morality the title of “Knight ad Honorary.” They will form a special Body that will be supported in shared in common, cultural and hospitable works of the Knights and Ladies of the Order; they will have to participate in all that manifestation in which they are summoned by the Grand Chancellery or through authority competent.*

A) *The official denomination of the Body will be of “**Honorary body of Our Air Lady Good**”, they do not tendran obligation to concur to the meetings you will capitulate, and if thus he will be advisable to the aims of the Order, they will have to ask for his crossing to the rows of Knights or Ladies according will correspond.*

B) *The nexus of the Body with the Order will exert a Knight or Lady designated by the Grand Chancellery with I title of Coordinator.*

C) *Its standard will be equal to the one of the Knights and Ladies of the Order, will shine maintained blue tape medal and castrates with the respective colors, according to they are of Justice or Skillful Grace.*

D) *They will have to such compliment proceedings and preparation that the Aspirings to the chivalrous rows for their entrance, having to express fidelity and loyalty at your service and its Authorities and will be crossed Horsemen or Ladies before the Great Master.*

E) *To order of the Authorities or by motu proprio can ask for the conversion to the active chivalrous rows.*

F) *They could not be part of the Government of the Order.*

G) *Its precedence is immediately previous to the one of the regular Horsemen and Ladies.*

H) *They will depend directly on each Great Prior constituted in each region, if there will not be it directly of the Skillful seat.*

### **ANNUAL REPORT**

*Annually it will have to write up a complete memory on the activity of the Group, his initiatives and the activities undertaken by the Body.*

### **FLAG**

*The Flag of the Honorary Body is blue with the golden occitana cross in its center.*

### **SEAL**

*A) Seal of the Honorary Body is a put in shield and skirted occitana Cross of the name of Honorary Body, in the language vernacular.*

*B) Seal used by the Honorary Body will have authorized and to be registered by the King of Arms of the Order.*

## **CHAPTER 14**

### **VOLUNTEERS**

#### **GENERAL RULES**

*This grouping will be strategic support in shared in common, cultural and hospitable works of the Knights and Ladies of the Order. They will be able to participate in all that manifestation in which they are summoned. They will have at your service to express fidelity and loyalty and its Authorities before being signed Voluntary Members. Its precedence is immediately subsequent to the one of the honorary Knights and Ladies.*

*A) The nexus of the Body with the Order will exert a Knights or Lady designated by the Grand Chancellery with I title of Coordinator.*

*B) The Volunteers is opened all that that it wanted to conform it; they will be good people that by their occupations and responsibilities Knights or Lady of right plenary session cannot enter totally to the rows of the Order like. Despite it they will be able to future to ask for its reconversion to the chivalrous rows.*

*C) The Volunteers has by purpose of being support of the Knights and Ladies, being strategic appendix of the Order.*

*D) The official denomination of the Body will be of “**Body of Volunteers of Our Mrs. of Buenos Aires**”, they do not tendran obligation to concur to the meetings you will capitulate, they do not podran to be part of the government of the Order and if thus he will be advisable to the aims of the Order they will have to ask for his crossing to the rows of Knights or Ladies according to will correspond.*

*E) In each National Jurisdiction a single Volunteers only can work.*

*F) Lto signación of admission of the Members to the Volunteers it is incumbent on to the Great Master or in whom this one delegates.*

*G) The admission process is he himself who has stipulated for the Horsemen and Ladies, reason why is incumbent on the majorities to them of arranged to the admission of Horsemen or the Ladies. The members of the Volunteers will have loyalty and fidelity to the dispositions that his government stops determines the Great Maestrazgo.*

*H) They will be able to take initiatives that will have to put under approval to foment the charity and works of beneficence and/or to resolve voluntary works in good of the addressees of the Order.*

*I) The Members of the Volunteers will completely use a white layer with a sun metal daisy golden in their lapels and the medal like symbol of property at your service maintained by white tape.*

*J) They will depend directly on each Great Prior constituted in each region, if there will not be it directly of the Skillful seat.*

### **ANNUAL REPORT**

*Annually it will have to write up a complete memory on the activity of the Body, service of ambulances, infirmary and other initiatives and activity undertaken by the Body.*

### **FLAG**

*The Flag of the Volunteers is white with Cross Occitana golden in its center.*

### **SEAL**

*A) Sello of the Volunteers is Cross Occitana put in a shield and skirted of the name of Volunteers and of the order of the possessor, in the language vernacular.*

*B) Seal used by Volunteers will have authorized and to be registered by the King of Arms of the Order.*

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(IN "ORGANIZATION OF THE ORDER", POINT H THAT TO ADD)

The Great Master will be able to name a Great Prior Continental, when in his opinion it was necessary to name it; this one Great Prior Continental will have authority of control on the other jurisdictions established in that continent.  
it will directly report with the Skillful Seat to that will inform into the work, action and omission of each jurisdiction under its care.

(IN "JURISDICTIONS" POINT A)

Grand Priors  
Baillios  
Commanders

Hereditary commanders

(POINT B TO ADD)

The jurisdictions of the Order are independent to each other and will work of agreement to the reality of each country that receives them, but will not be autarkic. Its power of self-determination this limited by seeming of the Skillful Seat. They will not be able to take single determinations in case, beyond those internal and properly concerning the Members of Order a trusted they.

(POINT C TO ADD)

The Authorities of the Jurisdictions must accept totally, and do to accept, everything what the Skillful Seat determines in each situation and director.

(POINT D TO ADD)

The Jurisdictions will have to hold two meetings at least you will capitulate generals to the year and, to celebrate and to make celebrate the official dates of Order, on way the Celebrations of the 24 of April and the 11 of November of every year. In the day of Our Mrs. of Buenos Aires they will renew publicly the promises of the Knights and Ladies and will renew also fidelity to the Grand Master.

(POINT AND TO ADD)

All official activity of each Jurisdiction of the Order must be authorized specifically by the Grand Master through the Grand Chancellery, under pain of invalidity if thus it will not be come. He is recommendable that each Jurisdiction elaborate an annual planning of its action and project its works in consensus with the Grand Chancellery.

(POINT F TO ADD)

The humanitarian, shared in common and hospitable work of the Jurisdiction must be authorized specifically in each case by the Skillful Seat; to such aim each to drive in this one sense must rise like before project via Great Chancellery, that will evaluate its viability or or will not give - arrived the case authorization for the concretion of he himself.

(TO CONTINUE ENUMERATING IN SEQUENCE, IN THE LAST POINT TO PLACE)

Continental Gran Priors will exert a control authority skillful on the Jurisdictions to its position, not being able to interfere nor direct nor indirectly, in the life and own activity of each Jurisdiction. It will maintain direct communication with the Skillful Seat in order to inform and therefore to optimize the work of the Order in each place.

(PERIODIC STORIES AND MINISTRY OF PROPERTY, TO MODIFY POINT G)

Commendatory: 10%

Bailiato: 20%

Grand Priory: 30%

Skillful seat: 40%

Grand Priory: