

Succession of Office

At the King's convenience, the Herald shall summon the Retiring and Incoming Officers.

RETIRING OFFICER

Your Majesties, I, *N.*, (officer) of Caid, for reasons of which your Majesties have been apprised, do beg leave to be relieved of my duties.

(Option: If the retiring officer cannot be present, a letter shall be read by the Herald in his stead.)

KING

Have you then nominated a successor to this office?

RETIRING OFFICER

I have, your Majesty, and here present *N.*

KING

***N.*, are you prepared to accept and execute the duties of the office of (office)?**

INCOMING OFFICER

I am, your Majesties, and pledge faithfully to serve you.

KING

Let the title pass.

The King and Retiring Officer invest the Incoming Officer with the emblems of the office, if any.

Before the Populace of this Realm, I do here invest you, *N.*, as (officer). May all good fortune and good will attend you.

The Incoming Officer places his hands between those of the King to swear fealty.

HERALD

Do you, the (officer) of Caid, swear fealty and service to the Crown and Kingdom of Caid, that you will faithfully discharge your office, obeying Their Majesties' lawful commands in all matters concerning this Realm; and, mindful that the harmony of Caid springs from your own deeds, that you will deal courteously and fairly with those of every degree, until the Crown depart the Throne, or death take you, or the world end?

INCOMING OFFICER

I so swear.

KING AND QUEEN

And We, for Our part, swear fealty to this, the (officer) of Caid, and to those who serve him; to protect and defend them against every creature with all Our power, until We depart from Our Throne, or death take Us, or the world end. So say We, *K.*, King of Caid.

And so say We, *Q.*, Queen of Caid.