

Argutinsky-Dolgoruky



Description of Arms :

Per pale : 1) Or, a demi-double-eagle couped in pale sable, its beak and leg armed argent, enigned with the coronet of a Russian Prince proper, and holding in its claw a scepter gold ; 2) per fess gules and azure, in chief issuant from the sinister edge an arm embowed, vambraced argent, invelloped, and holding in bend sinister asword proper ; and in base a mount a lion rampant reguardant proper, clenching in his dexter paw a mace and his sinister paw a shield Or.

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Principal Title : Prince Argutinsky-Dolgoruky.

Creation : Russia, 1800.

Subsidiary Titles :

Family Name : Argutinsky-Dolgoruky, Argoutinsky-Dolgoroukov.

Family History : The family of the Princes Argutinsky-Dolgoruky is descended from the Persian Ruler Artakseks-Dolgoruky according to Armenian and Georgian historical sources. After the destruction of the ancient Persian kingdom, at the time when the Macedonian kingdom was on the rise, the descendants of Artakseks entered Armenia, and from them Arshak, or Arsak the Great, ruled the Persian and Armenian kingdoms. Descendants of his family were Armenian rulers who called themselves Arshakunkie or Arsatsidy. This name was passed on to the Armenian ruler Karpaniel Arshakunsky who was famous in the year 1062 A.D. The great-grandson of this Karpaniel, Amir Spasalar Zakharii, who was outstanding among his contemporaries, by means of his notable victories took possession of a part of Armenia which included the royal City of Ani and the City Lori with their surrounding districts, and he ruled there as a sovereign, paying allegiance only to the Georgian Tsar Georgii and his daughter Tomara, as the Supreme Commander of their armies. His sons succeeded him as rulers. In 1250 during the reign of Shagin Shah, the Tatar Khan Khulav attacked and took away the larger part of his territory. As a punishment, a successor, Khan Argun, added his name Argun to Shagin Shah, the son and successor of Shagin Shakhov. For this reason the Shakhov descendants of this family are called the Princes Argutinsky-Dolgoruky. A descendant of this family, the Archbishop of all Armenians residing in Russia, Prince Iosif Argutinsky-Dolgoruky, gained the Emperor's attention and, on March 22 1800, His Highness Emperor Paul I granted Iosif a diploma with the title of Prince of the Russian Empire.

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Artakseks-Dolgoruky,
Persian Ruler

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Arshak, or Arsak the Great,
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Karpaniel Arshakunsky,
Armenian ruler (around 1062 A.D.)

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Amir Spasalar Zakharii

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