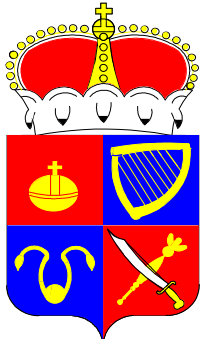


Bagration(-Moukransky)



Description of Arms :

Quartely : 1, gules, an orb Or ; 2, azure, a harp proper ; 3, azure, a sling Or charged with a stone proper ; 4, gules, in saltire a sceptre in bend sinister Or over a sabre in bend proper.

Principal Title : Prince of Bagration-Moukransky.

Creation : Georgia,

Subsidiary Titles :

Family Name : Bagration-Moukransky/Bagration-Moukhransky/Bagration-Mukhansky.

Family History: According to legend, this House was founded by Bagrat, who came from Philistia to Georgia in 575 AD. Bagrat was descended from no lesser person than King David of Israel. Allusion is made to this in the family's coat-of-arms. However, other legends trace descent to the year 314, in Armenia. In any event, the family is recorded as having ruled over Georgia from 786 to 1801.

Bagrat was baptised into the Orthodox Church, as was his wife, the sister of the Georgian Tsar Mirdat Khastroian - even to this day the majority of Georgians' names end with 'ian'. On the death of Mirdat, Bagrat was chosen as the new Tsar. But it was not as simple as may seem. They ruled over other kingdoms and were known by several names - including Bagration-Moukransky and Bagration-Davidov

In 1801, the Russians accorded the title of Prince of Grouzinsky (Georgia) with the style of Serence Highness. In the meantime, it has made numerous alliances with some of the greatest European families.

Georgia is a world of its own. It is included in this register, largely because it was for a time incorporated into Russia. It also has its own special history and is the source of many princely families. However, if ever the monarchy is restored - and it was briefly considered on the fall of the Soviet Empire - it is to this family that the people would look

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Gouram, founder of the
dynasty of Bagratides (575)

