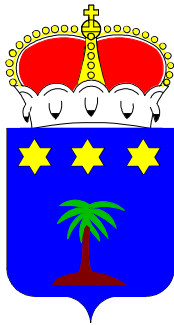


Lampedusa



Description of Arms :

D'azzurro al palmizio al naturale nodrito sul terreno dello stesso e sormontato da tre stelle di 6 raggi d'oro ordinate in fascia.

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Principal Title : Prince of Lampedusa.

Creation : Italy,

Subsidiary Titles : Duke, Baron.

Family Name : Tommaseo.

Family History : Surprisingly little is known about this family, apart from the fact that they owned the island of Lampedusa, which lies half way between Italy and North Africa and is often in the news because this is the first destination of many illegal immigrants, coming from the continent.

The last Prince, Giuseppe, was renowned as the author of the book “The Leopard”, sometimes cited as the best work of fiction of the XX century. It was made into a film by Lucchino Visconti.

It is said that he left his title and possessions to his Scicilian cousins from the Tommaseo family.

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