

Drago



Description of Arms :

D'azzurro al drago d'oro.

Principal Title : Prince del Drago.

Creation : Rome, 1710.

Subsidiary Titles : Baron of San Vittorino (1475), Prince of Mazzano and of Antuni (1832).

Family Name : Drago.

Family History : The Drago family originates from Viterbo but it then moved to and established itself in Rome.

As early as 1519, they received the barony of San Vittorino and then, in 1622, received the important promotion to marquis, of Riofreddo. In 1710, the head of the family was elevated to the rank of Roman prince, on the basis of male primogeniture. Marriage into the Biscia family produced the titles of Marquis of Castel Diruto and Marquis of Sant'Agnese; then a further alliance with the Gentili family produced those of Count of Ascrea and Noble of Camerino.

In 1831, Fra Mauro Cappellari was elected to the papal throne and took the name of Gregory XVI. He was known for his general hostility to liberalism but he was generous in rewarding the services of the Drago family. In 1832, he created for them the titles of Prince of Antuni and also of Mazzano - both on the basis of male primogeniture.

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Prince GIOVANNI DEL DRAGO,
Prince of Antuni