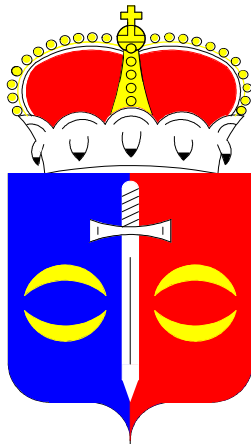


Drutskoy-Sokolinsky



Description of Arms :

Per pale azure and gules, a sword erect, its pommel fractured and the point downwards, argent, between on each side palewise a crescent reversed and a crescent or.

Principal Title : Prince Drutskoy-Sokolinsky.

Creation : By tradition.

Alternative Spelling : Drutsky-, Droutsky-, Drutzki-, Droutskoy-Sokolinsky.

Family Name : Durtskoy-Sokolinsky.

Family History : This family is also descended from St Vladimir Sviatoslavich, but in a less direct line than many of the others and it has a coat of arms quite its own. However, the similarity with the Polish family of Drucki-Lubecki ; both have nearly identical devices and the reason is given below.

Apparently a descendant of the Christianiser of Russia, one Prince of Vladimir and Galich, divided his principality into five parts - one for each of his sons. Of these one, named Michael, took the name of Drutskoy. A great-grandson of this gentleman, Prince Andrei Ivanovich Drutskoy, married the sister of the Great Prince of Lithuania, Vitovt. In due course five branches established themselves from this union and took the following additional surnames, according to their inherited properties :

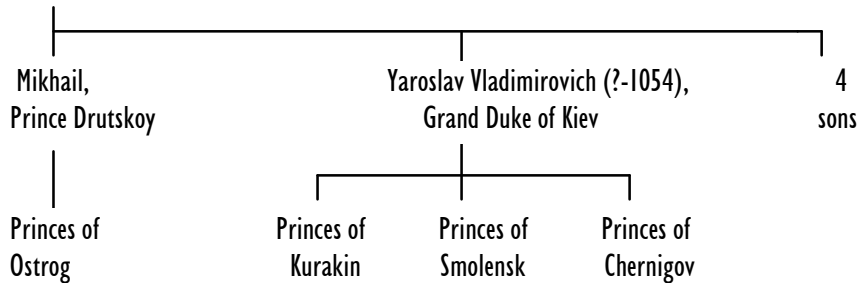
Sokolinsky	from Sokolonia
Gorsky	from Gory
Liubetsky	from Liubech
Ozeretsky	from Oзера
Podberezky	from Podberezie

Several princes of the House are mentioned in the history books. Grigorii, a man of prowess in war it seems, distinguished himself at the Battle of Ulla ; Prince Samuil was Chamberlain in Smolensk and Captain of the Royal Guard. His son, who started with the same name, changed it to Petr after he was baptised. He stayed on in Smolensk, after it fell to Russia, guarding the family estates, which had been given to his father by the King of Poland.

Other were recorded as having served the Tsar but, usually, back home in the principality of Smolensk. Their rank of prince, however, was recognised - almost on an annual basis - by the Directing Committee of the Russian Senate, as befits the descendants of St Vladimir.

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Saint Vladimir Sviatoslavich (c956-1015),
Great Prince and Christianiser of Russia

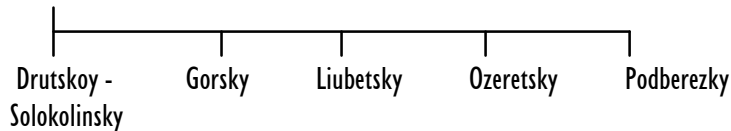


Andrei
= sister of Vitovt, Great Prince of Lithuania

Vladimir the Autocrat
of Russia

Sudislav,
Prince of Pshov

Vasilii,
Prince Drutskoy



Prince Vladimir Andreevitch (1880-1943)
= ? Schirkievitch

Prince ANDREI (1919-)
= Celia Lorna Pile

