

Dusmet



Description of Arms :

Di nero al capriolo d'argento accompagnato da tre crescenti montanti del medesimo, due nel capo ed uno nella punta.

Principal Title : Duke of Dusmet.

Creation : Italy, 1924.

Subsidiary Titles : Baron of Talan (1660), Marquis (1759).

Family Name : Dusmet de Smours.

Family History : This family originates in Bavaria and Flanders, where they held various governorships.

In 1734, they emigrated to Naples and were created marquises, by Charles III in 1759. They were further enrolled as Patricians of Messina in 1812 and were recognised as nobles in 1843 and, again, during the years that followed. They were further distinguished by giving a cardinal to the Church in the XIX century. The right to be addressed as *don* and *donna* was recorded in 1911.

The rank of duke was assumed in 1924, for one branch of the family. Another line assumed the title of Marquis, two years later. Exactly by what right is unknown.

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