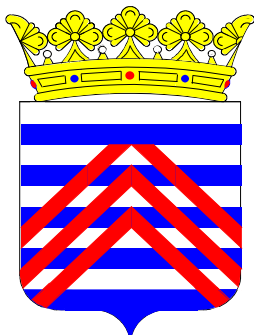


Estissac



Description of Arms :

Burelé d'argent et d'azur à trois chevrons de gueules, celui en chef écimé.

Principal Title : Duke d'Estissac.

Creation : France, 1737.

Subsidiary Titles :

Family Name : La Rochefoucauld.

Family History : This is, in fact, the senior title of this much-honoured family - although it is now born by the junior branch.

François-Alexandre (1747-1827) usually known in history-books as the Duke de la Rochefoucauld-Liancourt was a philanthropist and politician. He was born in La Roche-Guyon, which town has given its name to another branch of the family. His father had been created Duke d'Estissac in 1837 and his uncle Duke d'Enville in 1732.

François-Alexandre was created Duke de Liancourt in 1765 and it was here that he had founded a school which was to become a model for others. In 1792, he became Duke de la Rochefoucauld.

In due course, his son succeeded to his titles, but this latter passed on the duchy of Estissac to his younger brother in 1838. The brother bore the same name as their father. He also founded the lines that bear his name and that of la Rochefoucauld-Montbel (q.v.). In due course, this transfer was recognised by the king, just before his death, by royal ordinance - although, strictly speaking this was never followed by Letters-Patent.

His son, Alexander-Jules, was aide-de-camp of Louis-Philippe, who knew him as Duke d'Estissac.

From then on, the succession has been quite regular, son following father. Moreover, there is no likelihood of this branch dying out, since there is an abundance of direct descendants.

The 6th duke has played a prominent part in horse-racing in France, being head of the famous and exclusive Jockey Club of Paris. He always describes himself as La Rochefoucauld, Duke d'Estissac.

Estissac

Louis (1695-1783), 1st Duke d'Estissac (1737)

= (1737) Marie Elisabeth *, daughter of Alexandre (1690-1762), last Duke de la Rochefoucauld of the elder branch

François-Alexandre (1747-1827),

2nd Duke d'Estissac, Duke de Laincourt (1765), Duke de la Rochefoucauld (1792)

François (1765-1848),
Duke de la Rochefoucauld

Dukes de la Rochefoucauld

Alexandre-François (1767-1841),
Received duchy from his brother (1839)

Alexandre-Jules (1796-1856),
known as 2nd Duke (1840)

Roger (1826-1889),
3rd Duke

Arthur (1831-1888)
= (1854) Marie-Luce de Montbel

Alexandre (1854-1930),
4th Duke

Jules de La Rochefoucauld-Montbel (1857-1945)
Prince de la Rochefoucauld in Bavaria (1909)

Louis-François (1885-1950), 5th Duke
= Nathalie de Clermont-Tonnerre

see La Rochefoucauld-Montbel

ALEXANDRE (1917-), 6th Duke
= (1943) Antoinette de Moustier

3
daughters

PIERRE-LOUIS (1947-), Count
= Sabine de la Rochefoucauld

EMMANUEL
(1954-)

PHILIBERT
(1962-)

Louise
(1982-)

ALEXANDRE
(1984-)

CHARLES-HENRI
(1985-)

BERNARD
(1991-)