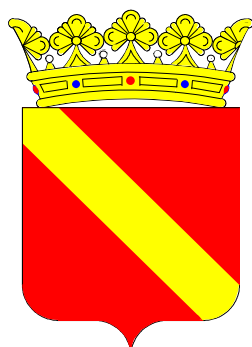


## Mouchy



*Description of Arms :*

De gueules à la bande d'or.

**Principal Title :** Duke of Mouchy.

**Creation :** Spain, 1747.

**Subsidiary Titles :** Prince of Poix (1768), Grandee of Spain (1711 transferred to this line 1867) ; Count of the Holy Roman Empire, Duke of Poix (1817).

**Family Name :** Noailles

**Family History :** This is the junior branch of the great Noailles family, a fact immediately made clear since they both use the same coat-of-arms. Adrien-Maurice, 3rd Duke and *maréchal* de Noailles, inherited important estates from his grandmother. In turn, he passed them on to his second son, Philippe, who changed his name to that of his holdings - Mouchy.

At a young age, Philippe de Mouchy was created *grandee* of Spain, with the title of Duke of Poix. This was recognised a year later in France and he became known as the Duke de Mouchy. He later became a *maréchal de France*. In 1794, he and his wife were executed during the terror of the French Revolution.

His son, also known as Philippe, had wisely decided to move abroad until the political situation in his homeland became clearer; for, despite the origin of their title, they had remained extremely French. At this time, he began to use a title that had come into his branch of the family, that of Prince de Poix. Since then, it became the courtesy title of the eldest son of the Dukes of Mouchy. Until he succeeded, the 4th Duke was known as the Duke de Poix.

It might be interesting to note, here, that the French have a less rigid approach to the subject of surnames than is the case in other countries. It is not unusual for holders of senior titles to hyphenate their family names to that of the title ; certainly junior members of the family frequently do so. Recently, it has become more common for people to accentuate their family names, the more so if they are particularly distinguished. M. de Mouchy appears, in *Bottin Mondain*, under Noailles - not under "M". His younger son is known as the Viscount de Noailles.

The family has also extensive holdings in the vineyards of the Bordeaux region and flourishes in the manner of today's French aristocrats.

# Mouchy

Anne (1616-1678), 1st Duke of Noailles and Duke-Peer of Ayen (1663)  
= (1645) Louise Boyer, heiress of land of Mouchy

Adrien-Maurice (1678-1766), 3rd Duke of Noailles  
= Francoise d'Aubigne, niece of Mme de Maintenon

Louis (1713-1793), 4th Duke of Noailles  
Duke of Ayen (1737)

Philippe (1715-1794), 1st Duke of Mouchy (1747) d 1st  
= (1741) Louise d'Arpajon (?-1794), heiress of M. of Arpajon

Jean-Paul (1739-1824),  
5th Duke of Noailles

Philippe (1752-1819), D. of Poix (1767), 2nd D.,  
1st Prince-Duke of Poix (1814)

Louis-Marie (1756-1804), Viscount of Noailles  
= (1773) Anne de Noailles (1758-1794)

Anne  
(1758-1794)

Charles (1771-1834),  
3rd Duke

Antoine (1777-1846), Duke of Poix,  
4th Duke, Count of the Empire (1810)

Louis (1783-1835),  
Count of Noailles

Alfred (1784-1812)  
Baron of Noailles

Dukes of  
Noailles

Léontine (1791-1851)  
= Alfred (1784-1812)

Anne-Charlotte  
(?-1858)

Philippe (1808-1854), 5th Duke  
= Anne-Charlotte (?-1858)

Antoine  
= Helena Cosvelt

Alfred (1825-1895),  
Count of Noailles

Alexis  
(1853-?)

Amblard  
(1856-1894)

Olivier  
1858-?)

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d.

François-Joseph (1866/8-1900),  
Prince-Duke of Poix

Henri (1890-1947), 7th Duke  
= Marie de La Rochefoucauld (1901-)

PHILIPPE (1922-), 8th Duke of Mouchy, Prince-Duke of Poix  
1st = (1948-1974) Diane de Castellane (1927-) and 2nd = (1978) Joan Douglas-Dillon (1935-)

Nathalie  
(1949-)

ANTOINE (1950-), Prince of Poix  
= Isabelle de Fels

ALEXIS (1952-),  
Viscount of Noailles

Melanie  
(1981-)

CHARLES-ANTOINE  
(1984-)

ADRIEN  
(1985-)