



George R. I.

George the Fifth by the Grace of God of Great Britain  
Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas King  
Defender of the Faith & Our Right Trusty and Well beloved  
Cousin and Counsellor Edmund Bernard Viscount Fitzalan  
of Berwick Knight of Our Most Noble Order of the Garter &  
Knight Grand Cross of the Royal Victorian Order Companion  
of the Distinguished Service Order Deputy to Our Right Trusty  
and Right Excellency beloved Cousin Bernard Marmaduke  
Duke of Norfolk Earl Marshal and Our Lordly Marshal  
of England Greeting Whereas Sir John Henry Buttler  
Knight Companion of Our Most Distinguished Order of St  
Michael and St George Member of Our Most Excellent Order  
of the British Empire Chief Commissioner of the Federal Capital  
Commission Australia Sir John Harrison Knight Commander  
of Our Most Excellent Order of the British Empire and Thomas  
John Thomas Esquire Officer of Our Most Excellent Order of the  
British Empire Colonel in the Australian Military Forces  
Members of the said Commission have by their Resolution humbly  
represented unto Us that under and by virtue of the Statute of  
Government Acceptance Act 1909 of the Commonwealth of  
Australia and the Statute of Government Surrender Act 1909  
of the State of New South Wales and in accordance with a  
Proclamation of Our Governor General on the twenty second  
day of January One thousand nine hundred and ten the  
Statute of Government of the Commonwealth was established at  
Canberra which thereby became Federal Territory and the  
Capital City of the Commonwealth That by the Statute of Govern-  
ment Administration Act 1924 it was enacted that a plan of

the City of Canberra and its environs should be published and  
that there should be a Federal Capital Commission which  
should be charged with the general administration of the City  
and the management of the City which Commission should  
consist of three members to be appointed by the Governor  
General of the Commonwealth of Australia and should be a  
Body corporate with perpetual succession and a common Seal.  
That the Petitioners being desirous of having Clerical Bear-  
ings duly established for the Federal Capital Commissioners  
and for the City of Canberra, most humbly prayed Our Royal  
License and Authority that they the Federal Capital Commiss-  
ioners and their successors in their corporate capacity might  
bear and use upon their common Seal Shields or otherwise  
and upon the Common Seal Shields or otherwise of the City  
of Canberra the Clerical Bearings following that is to say -  
A triple towered castle between in chief a sword of justice  
point upward to the sinister surmounted by a Parliamentary  
Mace head upward to the dexter in saltire charged at their  
point of intersection with a representation of the Imperial  
Crown, and in base a rose barbed and seeded (being the badge  
of York) And the Crest In front of a Gum tree issuant from  
a Mount a Portcullis surmounted with the Imperial Crown.  
We know bye that We of Our Precious Grace and Special  
Favour have given and granted and by these Presents do  
give and grant unto the Federal Capital Commissioners  
Australia and their successors in their corporate capacity Our  
Royal License and Authority to bear and use on their common  
Seal and upon the Common Seal of the City of Canberra and  
upon Shields or otherwise according to the Laws of Arms the  
Arms following vizt - A triple towered castle between in chief  
a sword of justice point upward to the sinister surmounted  
by a Parliamentary Mace head upward to the dexter in

saltire charged at their point of intersection with a representation  
of the Imperial Crown and in base a rose barbed and seeded (being the badge of York).  
And the Crest. In front of a Gurn tree issuant from a  
Mount a Portcullis sursigned with the Imperial Crown: as  
in the Drawing hereto annexed the same being first  
duly exemplified and recorded in Our College of Arms  
otherwise this Our Royal Licence and Permission to be  
void and of none effect.

Our Will and Pleasure therefore is that you the said  
Edmund Bernard Viscount D'Yllan of Ferment Deputy  
to Our said Earl Marshal to whom the cognizance of  
matters of this nature doth properly belong do see this Our  
Order observed and kept and that you do also cause these  
Rescripts to be registered in Our College of Arms. And for so  
doing this shall be your warrant.

Given at Our Court at Saint James  
this 8th day of October One thousand nine  
hundred and twenty eight in the Nineteenth year of  
Our Reign

By His Majesty's Command

H. Anne

Recorded in the College of Arms pursuant to a  
Bamant from the Deputy to the Earl Marshal.

Alyx Howard  
Wardrobe Register

