

"The Seals of the Sovereign Republic of Éire"

Addenda to the Foregoing Constitution of the I.R.B.

14-8-22

**Article 29** 

**Seal Charter** 

<sup>&</sup>quot;Ar son na hÉireann agus a Clainne"

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# 1. Background

Since the unlawful transgression on Éire in 1155 as perpetrated between Pope Adrian IV and King Henry II whereby dominion of Hibernia (Éire) was purportedly granted to the King by the Pope, Éire has been subjected to relentless plundering of its natural wealth and resources for hundreds of years.

The Key Instrument utilised to facilitate such marauding has been The Seal when affixed with "authority" to (un)lawful documents providing mechanisms for the external drain of our Nation's Wealth & Resources.

The office of "Lord Keeper of the Great Seal of Ireland" was held by the Lord Chancellor of Ireland. The Chancellor was presented with the physical Seal upon taking his oath of office, and it was otherwise kept in the Court of Chancery. The Seal was affixed to documents issued by the Privy Council of Ireland and its head the Chief Governor (later the Lord Lieutenant). In the fourteenth century, the Chancellor was entitled to a guard of six men-at-arms and twelve mounted archers, to protect the seal in his custody. In the fifteenth century the Governor was appointed under the Kings Privy Seal and appointed his Deputy under the Irish Seal. From 1700 to 1767, non-resident Lords Lieutenant were appointed under the British Great Seal, and would in turn use the Irish Seal to appoint resident Lord Justices as deputies.

A new Seal was created for each monarch, which included the Arms of Ireland, until 1536, Three Crowns: after that, an Irish Harp. Oliver Cromwell's Great Seal for Ireland in 1655 was similar to Simon's 1653 Great Seal for The Protectorate, with Dublin replacing London on the reverse. From Queen Victoria on the Great Seal of Ireland had the same design as the Great Seal of the Realm except with the Irish Crowned Harp replacing Britannia's Trident.

Irish Great Seals are attested from the thirteenth century but surviving impressions of them are rare. Most state papers were destroyed in multiple fires between 1304 and 1758, and in an explosion in the Battle of Dublin in 1922.

The Great Seal of Ireland became obsolete on 6 December 1922 with the imposition of the Constitution of the Irish Free State. The "internal" Great Seal of the Irish Free State was commissioned in 1925 for the Governor General and the "external" Great Seal of the Irish Free State was commissioned in 1932 for the British King. Under the Irish Free State (Consequential Provisions) Act 1922 a separate Great Seal of Northern Ireland was created.

<u>However</u>, the protective powers derived under <u>the 1919 Seal of the Dáil of the Irish Republic</u> remains extant and continuing.

#### 2. Foreword

The Constitutional Organisation of the Irish Republican Brotherhood has maintained authority over the Sovereign Seal of Éire since its foundation on March 17th 1858.

The Foregoing Constitution of the Irish Republican Brotherhood identifies and specifies where authority lies within the Organisation for the affixation of any of the Sovereign Seals for the purposes of authenticating certain documents.

Following the adoption of Executive Order 22-8-22, and the subsequent additional duties and responsibilities bestowed upon the Organisation, in relation to Dáil Éireann and the Dáil Éireann Courts in particular, it is deemed necessary and appropriate to issue the within Charter for the Seals of the Sovereign Republic of Éire.

The reconstitution of the Dáil Éireann Courts can determine any legacy issues continuing from the Papal Bull Laudabiliter of 1155, the Crown of Ireland Act of 1542 and the Act of Union of Great Britain and Ireland of 1801 and will nullify any and all powers unlawfully derived from such Acts and Statutes and their associated Seals.

#### 3. The Seals

#### The Seal of the President:

Description; 16mm diameter with 12 string Irish Harp facing left with Éire inscribed under and encircled by 32 dimples near the circumference.

Application; Impression in wax of gold, red, silver, green or black.

Authorised User; The President, and the Chairman as authorised by the President under this Charter.

### **The Seal of the Vice President:**

Description; 16mm diameter with 12 string Irish Harp facing right with éire inscribed under and encircled by 32 dimples near the circumference.

Application; Impression in wax of gold, red, silver, green or black.

Authorised User; The Vice President.

#### **The Seal of the Chairman:**

Description; 22mm diameter with 12 string Irish Harp facing left with éire inscribed under and encircled by 32 dimples near the circumference.

Application; Impression in wax of gold, silver, red, green or black.

Authorised User; The Chairman.

#### The Seal of the Chief Justice:

Description; 22mm diameter with 12 string Irish Harp facing right with éire inscribed under and encircled by 32 dimples on the circumference.

Application; Impression in wax of gold, silver, red, green or black.

Authorised User; The Chief Justice, and the Secretary for Justice when authorised from time to time by the Chief Justice.

#### The Seal of the Executive:\*

Description; 32mm diameter with two12 string Irish Harps back to back with éire inscribed between and encircled by 32 dimples on the circumference.

Application; Impression in wax of gold, silver, red, green or black.

Authorised User; The Executive of the Supreme Council of the Irish Republican Brotherhood.

#### **The Internal Great Seal:**

Description; 44mm diameter with two 12 string Irish Harps back to back and éire inscribed between and encircled by 32 dimples near the circumference and crowned with the inscription "Séala Phoblacht na hEireann"

Application; Impression in wax of gold, silver, red, green or black.

Authorised User; The Executive of the Supreme Council of the Irish Republican Brotherhood when shouldering the duties of the Ministry of Dáil Éireann.

#### **The External Great Seal:**

Description; 44mm diameter with two 12 string Irish Harps face to face and Éire inscribed between and encircled by 32 dimples near the circumference and crowned with the inscription "Séala Phoblacht na hÉireann"

Application; Impression in wax of gold, silver, red, green or black.

Authorised User; The Executive of the Supreme Council of the Irish Republican Brotherhood when shouldering the duties of the Ministry of Dáil Éireann together with the application of the Seal of the Chief Justice and the Seal of the President.

 The Executive Seal can substitute for the Internal Great Seal during periods of transition.

## **The Embossed Seal:**

Description; 32mm diameter with Irish Harp and Éire inscribed under encircled with 32 dimples near the circumference.

Application; Embossed impression on the relevant document and initialled adjacent by the applier.

**Authorised User; The President, The General Secretary and the Chairman.** 

# **The Fob Seal:**

Description; Rubber Stamp with 2 Irish Harps facing outward and éire in between.

Application; Impression of black ink stamp on relevant document.

Authorised User; The Members of the Executive of the Supreme Council of the Irish Republican Brotherhood.

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