

San Antonio, Texas,
January 17th, 1928.

Miss Emily L. Wilson,
Historical Society of St. Augustine,
St. Augustine, Florida.

Dear Miss Wilson:

Do you have anything in your records that show the type and colors of the old banners or flags used by the early Spanish discoverers? Also anything showing the shape and character of shields, coats of arms or other similar things?

In our historical marking we are anxious to incorporate ancient, historical types or ideas. We have a copy in colors of the Royal Banner used by Columbus, Ponce de Leon and other discoverers; this consists of gold castles on a red background and red lions on a white background. We also have a copy of the banner given by Queen Isabella to Columbus; white with a green cross and gold crowns.

These we obtained thru the Library of Congress from a book entitled "Famous Flags of America." We are now, as I have stated, trying to work out plaques or designs for monuments, historical signing, hotel lobbies, signing of interesting places, etc. and it just occurs to me you may have something there of record which would add a bit more to information in the hands of the artists.

I am hopeful I may get over your way this Spring.

With kindest regards and best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

Herral Ayres,
OST Managing Director.

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