His Serene Highness Prince Albert II

Civil status and distinctions

His Serene Highness Prince Albert Alexandre Louis Pierre, Prince of Monaco, Marquis of Baux, was born on March 14th, 1958. His Highness is the son of Prince Rainier III, Louis Henri-Maxence-Bertrand, (Monaco May 31st, 1923 - April 6th, 2005) and the Late Princess Grace Patricia Kelly, (Philadelphia U.S.A. November 12th, 1929 - Monaco September 14th, 1982). His Godfather was the late Prince Louis de Polignac, and his Godmother was the late Queen Victoria-Eugénia of Spain.

H.S.H. the Sovereign Prince is: Grand Cross of the Order of Grimaldi, April 18th, 1958; Grand Cross of the Order of Saint-Charles, March 13th, 1979; Colonel of the Carabineers, November 11th, 1986.

Prince Albert II of Monaco married Ms Charlene Wittstock on 1 and 2 July 2011, she became Her Serene Highness Princess Charlene of Monaco.

Missions and responsibilities

On Thursday the 31st of March 2005, in accordance with the Statutes of the Sovereign Family and after informing H.S.H. Crown Prince Albert - the Secretary of State convoked the Council of the Crown. The Council of the Crown determined that His Serene Highness Prince Rainier III was not able to carry out his functions of State and declared that H.S.H. Crown Prince Albert would act as Regent from that point on.

On the 6th of April 2005, H.S.H. Prince Albert II succeeded his father, the Prince Rainier III who died on this day following a series of afflictions to his heart, lung and kidneys which had required his hospitalization since the 7th of March.

Since 1984, H.S.H. Prince Albert, work alongside with His Father in the management of State affairs.