

" Conklin "

The Family of:

Arms: Vert, a fish argent, on a chief wavy of the last three crosses, crosslet gules.

Creat: Two trees in saltine vent, banded together gules.

Motto: Ferox Inimicis (Ferocious enmity)

Authority: Description written from the plate # 103. Conklin Arms and Crest, in Rooney's " Irish Families ", which work may be seen in the larger public libraries.

Tinctures as Shown By Description:

The lower division of the shield is green, the fish of silver. The chief, or upper division of the shield is of silver, the crosses red.

The wreath, on which the crest rests, is of alternate twists of silver and green.

The two trees are green tied with A BAND OF RED.

(Burke shows the trees of natural colorings, band composed of leaves of green, i. e. a wreath.)

The ribbon is of silver, the motto letter in green of black.

The mantle black lined with gold.

Notes: The ancient form of this name was O'Conklin, also written McConklin, still earlier written Con Caled and Congolaighs. See B. S. DeCourey's " Genealogical History of the Milesian Families of Ireland", published in 1880, pages 30 - 40. Counties in which the family hold lands were Limerick, Clare, Mayo, and Sligo. Rooney (in his "Irish Families", page 392) shows that the family descended from Milesus, King of Spain, 1693 B. C. through Conmac Cas, son of Olliol Olum, King of Munster, who was living in the year 177 A. D.. O'Hart, in his "Irish Pedigrees", 1923 edition, does not give a pedigree of the family, but does depict the arms. However, the arms is incorrectly drawn, crosses-crosslet fitches depicted instead of crosses-crosslet, the trees not banded, no motto, etc. Burke, in his "General Armory", 1844 edition, under the heading "MacConcaled", (another form of the name) described the arms with a slight difference.

"Per fesse wavy, argent and vent, in chief three crosses-crosslet gules, and in base a salmon naiait of the first (argent).

Crest: Two rowscouped and raguled in saltire proper, bound by a garland of leaves vert. No Mott. In this case the dividing line wavy on the shield is slightly lower on the shield than in the accompanying illustration, and, the trees of the crest are of natural colorings, the band of green leaves. DeCourcy's work, above mentioned, gives the spellings Conklin, Conkling, McConklin, and O'Conklin. In England, at the time the Irish names wereAnglicised to their present forms the letters "J" and "Y" were synonymous, a variation of Conklin being Conkly and Conklyn.