

Clan BALL

ARMS	A silver shield with a black lion rampant holding a fireball, proper.
CREST	Description not available
MOTTO	Fulcrum dignitatis virtus (Virtue is the support of dignity).



BALL. A name of uncertain origin. It may be from *Baeoll*, an Old English personal name, which, however, is only known from its existence in place name compounds. There was also an Old Norse *Balle*. (2) It may be a development from the word 'bold,' (3) a form of BALD, (4) a diminutive of BALDWIN, etc.

See also BALD, BALDWIN

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