

Clan MACIAN

ARMS CREST MOTTO

Gold with a red eagle with a black ship on its breast. A demi-eagle displayed sable Per mare per terras (By sea and by land)

ACIAN, MACANE, MACEAN, MACKAJN, MACKANE. Gaelic. *MacIain*, 'son of John: John, not Donald, is the commonest forename in the Highlands. The Macians of Ardnamurchan are descended from Eoin Sprangach, son of Angus Mor, lord of the Isles, in beginning of fourteenth century. 'Several families of the name who have in recent times come to Coll from Ardnamurchan call themselves wrongly Johnstones. Johnstone is (1) territorial from Johnstone in Durnmesshire, and (2) John's town or S. John's town is an old name for Perth. Many others have translated their name as 'Johnson', as did the ancestors of Andrew Johnson, seventeenth president of the United States. The first record of the name is in 1296, in which Year Sir Dovenald fitz Can (i.e. Donald MacIain) was an of an inquisition madeat Berwick. John Crom Mc kane, a witness, in 1488. Andro Makayn was a sufferer from the first hership of Petty, 1502. McAan and McAyn 1519, McAne1607, M'Cane1588, M'Cayne1580, M'Ean 1588, Mackane1541, Makane1494, Makcane1515, Makcayne1519, Makkane1505, Makkane1647, MCkane1656, McMakkaM (evidentially a duplication of 'Mac') 1515; MacEoin, Mackanl:', MakCoin. See MACKEAN.

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Clan MAC IAN Septs

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