

Treasury Chambers, Whitehall, S.W.
24th May, 1906.

Dear Reynard,

You asked a question some time ago about the 'precedence' of the I.S.O. I now learn that The King has just settled what precedence I.S.O. Companions shall have.

The 1st. class of the I.S.O. (did'nt know there was any distinction of classes) is to come direct after the D.S.O. and immediately in front of the 5th class of the Royal Victorian Order.

Yours very truly,
L. C. BROMLEY.

I.S.O.

Home Office, Whitehall,
25th May, 1906.

Dear Mr. Tombs,

You will be glad to hear that the vexed question of the precedence of the I.S.O. has at last been settled. I have constantly urged in conversation the desirability of a settlement and the enclosed note is the result of our endeavours.

Yours very truly,
R. F. REYNARD.

37, Henleaze Gardens, Westbury-on-Trym,
Bristol. May 26th, 1906.

Dear Mr. Reynard,

I.S.O. Precedence.

I thank you for your kind intimation. You will see from the enclosed copies of letters, what it was that brought about His Majesty's decision at this particular time. It is gratifying to find that King Edward VII is prompt in action when a subject is brought under his immediate observation. I had over 60 signatures to the Memorial in readiness for submission. I assume the decision will be promulgated in the London Gazette.

I am, Yours faithfully,
R. C. TOMBS.

37, Henleaze Gardens, Westbury-on-Trym,
Bristol. 26th May, 1906.

My dear Sir,

You will I think be pleased to learn that the I.S.O. Precedence has been promptly settled by His Majesty without waiting for our Memorial to be formally submitted. The position assigned is that which we sought.

I am,
Yours faithfully,
R. C. Tombs.

*Will you kindly tell
R. Murray*