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Properties of the two guardians of sovereignty.
These are required to ensure that society, its members and its activities, are regulated by values.
Each guardian is a hexad formed by combining six adjacent levels of purpose.
See text for details and explanation.

Hexad No. (Levels)	2 (Ls 7-2)	1 (Ls 6-1)
Type of Guardian	The Citizenry	The Government
Nature	To constitute a society. (i.e. the constitutive guardian/ruler.)	To regulate society. (i.e. the executive guardian/ruler.)
Function	To assert the common good: hence responsible for its government.	To serve the common good: hence responsible for collective decisions.
Members	People meeting agreed qualifications e.g. birth, property, residence; but excluding certain classes e.g. minors, prisoners, slaves.	Representative(s) obtained from the citizenry in an accepted way e.g. by election, lot, coup, nomination.
Authority	Derives from convention and the common will.	Derives from a constitution and legislation as supported by the citizenry.
Ideal	Civic virtue.	Statesmanship.
Type of Head	Symbolic e.g. monarch, head of state, religious leader.	Practical e.g. prime minister, supreme court judges.
Preoccupation	Ends i.e. ultimately emotional issues especially equality.	Means i.e. ultimately practical issues especially security and prosperity.
Dysfunction	Demagoguery (mob rule).	Despotism (rule by decree rather than law).
Criticisms	Uninformed, uninterested, uninvolved.	Out-of-touch, self-serving, incompetent.

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