Supplementary Information

Single molecule magnetism in a µ-phenolato dinuclear lanthanide motif ligated by heptadentate Schiff base ligands

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S1. Magnetization plots for 2-4.



Fig. S1: Isothermal *M vs H* plot for compound **2** at temperatures; 2 (top), 3, 4, 5.5, 10 and 20 (bottom) K. The solid lines just join the points.



Fig. S2: Isothermal *M vs H* plot for compound **3** at temperatures; 2 (top), 3, 4, 5.5, 10 and 20 (bottom) K. The solid lines just join the points.



Fig. S3: Isothermal *M vs H* plot for compound **4** at temperatures; 2 (top), 3, 4, 5.5, 10 and 20 (bottom) K. The solid lines just join the points.

S2. Ac data for 2 and 4.



Fig. S4: Plots of χ_M '' *vs T* for complexes **4** (top) and **2** (bottom) with frequencies between 50 and 1500 Hz in zero DC field.

S3. Ac data for 3.



Fig. S5: AC data plots for compound **3** under a zero applied dc field. Left: χ_M ' *vs* T, and right: χ_M '' *vs* T in the temperature range 2-16 K.

S4. Ac data for 3 under a 2500 Oe dc field.



Fig. S6: Plot of χ_M '' *vs T* for **3** under a 2500 Oe applied dc field.

| T (K) | α | τ (s) |
|-------|-------|----------|
| 2 | 0.201 | 4.01E-02 |
| 2.2 | 0.199 | 3.83E-02 |
| 2.5 | 0.196 | 3.49E-02 |
| 3 | 0.187 | 2.78E-02 |
| 3.5 | 0.180 | 2.05E-02 |
| 4 | 0.170 | 1.42E-02 |
| 4.5 | 0.164 | 9.66E-03 |
| 5 | 0.156 | 6.53E-03 |
| 5.5 | 0.155 | 4.48E-03 |
| 6 | 0.153 | 3.10E-03 |
| 6.5 | 0.152 | 2.17E-03 |
| 7 | 0.151 | 1.54E-03 |
| 7.5 | 0.152 | 1.11E-03 |

S5. Relaxation distribution and times fitted from Cole-Cole data.

 Table S1. Relaxation distribution and times fitted from Cole-Cole data for 3.