Manor of Laighton Bussard	View of Frankpledge with Court Baron for the honourable
alias Grovebury	Thomas Lord Leigh Baron of Stonleigh farmer Deacon and
	Canon of Liberty of the Chapel of King George the second
	within the Castle of Windsor lord of the manor aforesaid held
9 June 1707	at Laighton Bussard Thursday in the feast of Pentecost namely
	the fifth day of June the in sixth year of the reign of the Lady
	Anne by grace of God Queen of Great Britain France and
Essoins as manifested in the	Ireland Defender of the faith etc. the year of the Lord 1707
Rolls of names of tenants	before Thomas Maisterson Esquire steward of the manor
	aforesaid.
Suits nill	

Homage	Thomas Valentyne	Robert Perrott	Thomas Cooke
Jurors for the Lady Queen with Homage Sworn:	Daniel Ellingham	Thomas Ward	William Whipham jnr
	Arthur Tarsey	Thomas Burnham	Thomas Coles
	Benjamin Worrall	John Beddcott	Thomas Baskerfeild
	Richard Yates	Richard Higbedd	Henry Millard

Defaulting tenants and Residents

Who were sworn and charged with diverse articles touching the Court View of Frankpledge as well as Court Baron saying and upon their oath presented that William Barham 4s John [Kymastonood?] 1s William Freeman 4s Richard Lake 4s Joseph Gurney 6d Humphrey Davyes 4d John Gregory 4d John Pateman 4d John Osmond 4d Richard Fry 4d Frances White 6d William Fennor 4d Edward Gurney 4d John Crosse 4d Richard Bull 4d Ralph Jeffs 4d Richard Chaddock 4d John Marshall 6d John Peele 6d Abraham Peacock 6d Andrew Gladman 6d Charles Price 6d Mark Fontayne 6d Geoffrey Willison 4d Henry Wells 6d Robert Stone gent 8s Hezekiah Walker 6d John Atwell 4d William Person 4d John Hawkins 4d Richard Culperhouse 4d Thomas Person 4d John Wells Esquire 1s Robert Meade Gent 1s Francis Cox 6d John Prentice 6d John Davys Esquire 1s Richard Cox 6d George Baker 6d Richard Bird 6d William Bird 6d Edward Stare 6d William Sharpe 6d William Seare 6d Caleb Tomlinson 6d William Pym Esquire 1s Henry Cooley gent 1s Edward Merydale 6d Anthony Hart 6d Giles Dent gent 1s James Ashwell 6d Thomas [B...d] [?] William Theed gent 1s Thomas Greene 1s Edward Jones gent 1s Richard Young 6d Edward Standbridge 6d Richard Andrew gent 1s Jeremiah Stakes 1s Richard Browne gent 1s Richard Mann 6d with many others are now tenants of this manor and owe suit to this court and Philip Clarke 1s now are tenants or residents of this manor and owe suit to this court and now on this day make default so all of them are in mercy of the lord as manifested above their names.

Elected OfficersLikewise at this court William Lawley and Edward Seare were
elected and sworn to serve in the office of Constable for Laighton
Bussard alias Grovebury for the year following.

Likewise at this court Henry Sibley and John Steward were elected and sworn to serve in the office of Constable for Billington for the year following in the place of Edward Broxon and Richard Norkett

Likewise at this court Thomas Standbridge and Caleb Tanlinson were elected to serve in the office of Constable for Heath and Reach for the year following in place of Glen Robinson and Robert Goodspeed but not sworn.

Likewise at this court William Dean and John Dean with their separate consent to continue to serve in the office of Taster of Ale within the precinct of this frankpledge for the following year

Likewise at this court William Bull and John Truelove with their separate agreement are to continue to serve in the office of Examiner of Leather within the precinct of this frankpledge for the year following

Likewise at this court William Lawley and Edward Osmond with their separate consent to continue to serve in the office of taster of meat for Laighton Bussard for the year following

Likewise at this court Edward Mann was elected and sworn to serve in the office of Hayward for Laighton Bussard for the year following

Likewise at this court John Winkfield was elected and sworn to serve in the office of Hayward for Egginton for the year following

Likewise at this court Benjamin Kirkman was elected and sworn to serve in the office of Hayward for Heath and Reach for the year following

Likewise at this court Edward Roberts Junior was elected and sworn to serve in the office of Constable for Egginton for the year following in place of William Jane

Likewise at this court John Hearne was elected and sworn to serve in the office of Hayward for Billingdon for the year following.

At this court Thomas Doggett brother and heir of Richard Doggett lately a customary tenant of this manor who died intestate and he asks of the lord of the manor aforesaid for the admission as tenant to all those pieces or parcels of meadow and pasture lying in Eggington in the parish of Laighton Bussard in the county of Bedford called of known by the name of Ardells similarly all woodlands underwood hedges ditches fences commons profits and appurtences thereto belonging the land called Churchway lying on the northern side thereof and the road there called Heydon Hill Field on the southern side thereof and to all other customary land of the said late Richard Doggett his brother aforesaid lying and being within the manor aforesaid according to the form and effect of the presentation thereof made by the Homage to this court held for this manor on the sixteenth day of May in the year of the Lord 1706 as fully related in the rolls of this court therein fully clear and apparent to whom the lord through his steward granted seisin thereof by the rod to Have and to Hold the premises aforesaid with appurtenances by the aforesaid Thomas Doggett his heirs and assigns from the lord by the rod at the lord's wish according to the custom of the manor aforesaid by rent of 11s per annum and all services formerly owed and by right accustomed and he gives to the lord the fine for his entry as manifested in the margin did fealty to the lord and is thence admitted tenant.

Likewise at this court it is found and presented by the Homage that William Quarry and Sarah his wife customary tenants of the manor aforesaid (firstly she herself the said Sarah being examined alone and secretly by Francis Neale gentleman deputy Steward of the manor aforesaid and declaring that she herself did without intimation or compulsion from her husband outside court namely on the first day of June in the year of the Lord 1706 surrendered into the hands of the lord of the manor by the rod through the hands of the said Francis Neale his deputy steward of the manor aforesaid according to the custom of this manor All that customary cottage or tenement then in the occupation of Thomas Deeley or his assigns similarly all houses outhouses orchards gardens orchards and backsides and all other appurtenances belonging to the said cottage or tenement or in other manners appertaining situated and being in Heath and Reach in the county of Bedford and All that close of pasture called by the name of Palmers containing by estimation five acres more or less of grovn bosci in English a spring of wood thereto adjoining containing by estimation three half acres more or less and all that pightle of pasture called Over End Green Pightell containing by estimation one acre more or less and twenty five acres of arable land and two acres and a half of one acre of meadow by estimation more or less lying and being in the common fields of Heath and Reach aforesaid or elsewhere in the parish of Laighton Bussard aforesaid whatever closes pasture meadow arable land and premises that have been in the occupation of the said William Quarry and Thomas Reeve subtenant or the subtenant assign or assigns of them similarly all other customary land tenements or hereditaments whatsoever of they themselves William Quarry and Sarah his wife one or both of them held from this manor with their and all of their appurtenances to the Use and Behoof of William Chew of St John's Street in the county of Middlesex and the parish of St Sepulchre London and his heirs and assigns for ever Provided always and upon this condition namely that if the said William Quarry and Sarah his wife shall or one or both of them their heirs executors administrators or assigns or any of them shall well and truly pay or cause to be paid to the aforesaid William Chew his executors administrators or assigns or any of them the full and complete sum of four hundred forty nine pounds eight shillings and nine pence of legal English money in the manner and form expressed in the said surrender namely the sum of twelve pounds fourteen shillings four pence and [illeg.] halfpennies part thereof upon the first day of December then next following the date of this same surrender and the sum of four hundred and thirty six pounds fourteen shillings and four pence and one half penny remaining thereof in and upon the second day of June then next following that would be in the year of the Lord 1707 at or in the then mansion house of he himself William Chew situated and being in St John's Street in the county of Middlesex in the parish of St

Sepulchre London without fraud delay and any other deductions abatements or allowances for and in respect of the payment of some other taxation debt or assessment whatsoever then taxed or to be taxed upon the said portions sums or upon the said premises or other part thereof that then the surrender aforesaid is to be void and have null effect otherwise to be and to remain in full force and validity and furthermore it is found and presented by the Homage that the said sum of four hundred and forty nine pounds and eight shillings and four pence in the condition of the said surrender mentioned and expressed was not paid nor is to be paid for that cottage close land and premises aforesaid thus the surrender as aforementioned is forfeit and absolutely to go to William Chew and his heirs according to the form and effect of the surrender aforesaid and now to this court comes the aforesaid William Chew through Daniele Marshe gentleman his attorney by letter now constituted and for and in the name of William Chew asks the lord to admit himself tenant to all and singular the premises aforesaid to whom Daniele Marshe of he himself William Chew for and in the name of William Chew the lord of the manor granted seisin thereof by the rod To Have to Hold the premises aforesaid with appurtenances by the aforementioned William Chew his heirs and assigns for ever from the lord by the rod at the lord's wish according to custom of the manor aforesaid by rent of [blank] per annum and all services formerly owed and by right accustomed and he gives to the lord the fine for his entry as manifested in the margin and is admitted thence tenant but the fealty of he himself William Chew is respited because etc.

Likewise it is found and presented by the Homage that Mary Lord widow a customary tenant of this manor outside court namely on the third day of April in the year of the Lord 1707 surrendered into the hands of the lord of the manor by the rod through the hands of Edward Ashwell and John Ashwell two other customary tenants of the manor aforesaid according to custom of the same manor All that her half acre of arable land by estimation more or less lying in Laighton Bussard in the county of Bedford in the common field there called Grovebury Field in the furlong there abutting on the meadow called Kings Meade the land of Henry Dean on the western side thereof and the land of Mary Firth spinster on the eastern side thereof with all hades lyrae communal profits and appertaining therefore belonging to the Use and Behoof of Emor Firth of Laighton Bussard haberdasher of hats her heirs and assigns forever and now to this court comes the aforesaid Emor Firth and asks of the Lord to admit herself tenant to the premises aforesaid to whom the lord through his steward aforesaid granted seisin thereof by the rod To Have and to Hold the premises aforesaid with appurtenances by the aforesaid Emor Firth her heirs and assigns for ever from the lord by the rod at the lord's wish according to custom of the manor aforesaid by rent of one pence per annum and all services formerly owed and by right accustomed and she gives to the lord the fine for her entry as manifested in the margin and is admitted thence tenant and does fealty to the lord etc.

Whereas at the Court Baron held here for the manor aforesaid on Thursday the sixteenth of October the year of the Lord 1706 it was found and presented by the Homage that Edmund Fowkes of Wooburne in the county of Bedford gentleman a customary tenant of this manor outside court namely on the twenty sixth day of May the year of the Lord 1706 surrendered into the hands of the lord of the manor aforesaid by the rod through the hands of Gervais Whitehead and George Ginger two other customary tenants of this same manor All that his customary cottage or tenement held from this manor situated in Heath and Reach in the parish of Laighton Bussard in the said county of Bedford then in the occupation of Richard Bird or his assigns and all other his customary land tenements and hereditaments held from this manor aforesaid and to the use of such person or persons and for such use and uses and for such estate or estates and under such trust and purposes that the said Edward Fowkes then or in the future direct limit or appoint in and by his last wish and furthermore at the same court it was presented by the Homage that the said Edmund Fowkes died

soon after granting the said surrender but who are his heirs the Homage aforesaid are ignorant as is related in the rolls of this court therein fully clear and apparent and now at this court it was found and presented by the Homage that the said Edmund Fowkes before his death and soon after granting the surrender aforesaid made his last and will testament in writing in the proper manner executed and attested and now produced here in court bearing the date this twenty sixth day of May in the year of the lord 1706 upon the said Tenor of this testament and last wish of he himself Edmund as regard to the premises aforesaid to follow here in English words following:

In the name of God Amen I Edmund Foulkes of the parish of the Wooburne in the County of Bucks Gent being infirme in body but of perfect memory (praysed be God) Doe make this my Last will and testam[en]t in manner following

and the little below in the same testament thus continuing

Firstly I Give to my Only Daughter Catherine Fowkes the sume of Eight hundred pounds to be paide her att the Age of one and twenty yeares or her day of Marriage which Shall first happen And the Said Eight hundred pounds into the hands of my Father in Lawe Tho[mas] Gregory Gent and my Friends John Little John Inn of Holcott in the County of Bed[for]d Clerke and Ambrose Reddall Jun[ior] of Evershalt in the S[ai]d County of Bedf[ord] gent and the Survivors and survivor of them to be by them from tyme to tyme putt forth at Interest in Trust for my daughter and they mentioning the trust in securityes then and such case if any p[ar]te of moneys shall be lost my said trustees shall not be lyable to beare such losse and soe long as my daughter shall live with my wife my said wife shall receive the interest of the said eight hundred pounds and the rents of my lands and tenements which fall to her at my decease for the education of my s[ai]d daughter Item if my s[ai]d Daughter shall happen to Depart this Life before She attayne her Age of One and twenty yeares without Issue of her body and if my S[ai]d wife be enseint or with Child att my Decease and Such Posthumous Child [shall] happen to Dye before it attayne its Age of One and twenty yeares without Issue then and in such case I Give all my Said Lands tenements and hereditaments whatsoever in Ampthill and Maulden in the *S*[*ai*]*d* County of Bedf[ord] to my Aunt Rebecca Plumbe for the terme of her n[atu]rall Life and after her Decease to Rachell my Loveing wife her heires and Assignes for ever And in Case of my Daughters Death before She attayne her Age of One and twenty yeares without Issue and the Death of Such Posthumus Issue (if any) before it attayne its Age of One and Twenty yeares without Issue Then I Give all other my Lands Tenem[en]ts and hereditam[en]ts w[ha]tsoever in Heath and Reach Flitwick Millbrooke and Cranfeild and elsewhere in the S[ai]d county of Bed[for]d to the S[ai]d Rachell my wife her heires and Assignes for ever She and they payeing out of the Same unto my Cosen W[ilia]m Plumbe Son of my s[ai]d Aunt Plumbe Two hundred pounds and to my Cosen Eliz[abeth] Wilkes One hundred pounds and to my Cosen John William and Thomas Edmunds and Eliz[abeth] Stuart Mary Monck and Anne Allen Ten pounds apiece within One yeare after my S[ai]d Daughters Decease and the Decease of Such Posthumous Issue without heires before my S[ai]d Daughter or Such Posthumous Issue (if any) attaine its Age of One and twenty yeares

And a little below in the same testament thus continuing [:]

Item my afores[ai]d Lands and tenem[en]ts in Heath and Reach afores[ai]d being Coppyhold holden of the Mannor of Laighton Bussard alias Grovebury I have Surrended them to the Use of my Last will and testam[en]t by the hands of Gervase Whitbread and George Ginger two Customary Tenants of the S[ai]d Mannor And hereby give and Confirme them to the uses herein before Specified and Contained

As by and by the last wish of he himself Edmund thence related fully clear and apparent and now to this court comes the aforesaid Rachel Foulkes widow and relict of the said Edmund Foulkes lately her

husband deceased through John Ashwell her attorney now legitimately constituted and for and in the name of the said Rachel ask of the lord to be admitted tenant to all and singular the premises aforesaid according to the form and effect of the surrender and the last wish of the said Edmund Foulkes the Lord through his steward granted and delivered seisin thereof to the said Rachel by John Ashwell her attorney by the rod To Have and to Hold the premises aforesaid with appurtenances by the aforesaid Rachel her heirs and assigns forever by the rod at the lord's wish according to the form and effect of the last wish and testament he himself Edmund Foulkes here before recited according to the custom of the manor aforesaid by rent [of blank] by and services therefore formerly owed and by right accustomed and he gave to the lord the fine for her entry as manifested etc. and the aforesaid Rachel is admitted thence tenant through the aforesaid John Ashwell her attorney aforesaid but the fidelity of the said Rachel is respited because etc.

Likewise at this court it is found and presented by the Homage that John Marshe gent a customary tenant of this manor outside court namely on the eleventh day of October the year of the Lord 1706 surrendered into the hands of the lord of the manor aforesaid by the rod through the hands of Arthur Tarsey and John Ashwell two other customary tenants of this same manor according to the custom of the manor aforesaid All that his cottage messuage or tenement with appurtenances in which Edward Osmond then dwelt called or known by the name or sign of The Unicorn with all and singular the houses outhouses brewhouse buildings structures barns stables yards gardens backsides and a close of pasture thereto adjoining and belonging and being in the Leck End of Laighton Bussard aforesaid in the county of Bedford next to the cottage or tenement John Ashwell on the northern side and to the cottage or tenement of Henry Millard on the southern side thereof and all those separate pieces or parcels of arable land of subsessive pasture land and meadow belonging to the said cottage or tenement containing together by estimation one hundred and twenty acres more or less being and lying dispersed in the fields meadows and precincts of Laighton Bussard aforesaid and then in the occupation and tenure of Edmund Osmond or his assigns and all other his customary land tenements and hereditaments whatsoever that he himself John Marshe held from this manor with all and singular and all of their appurtenances To the Use and Behoof of such person or persons and by such estate and estates use and uses and upon such provisions conditions and limitations trusts intentions and purposes that he himself the said John Marshe in and by his last wish and testament in writing or by any other writing by himself signed and sealed in the presence of three or more witnesses named limited or appointed or shall be named limited or appointed give grant or the same provided always that if the said John Marshe shall be living on the last day of September next following the date of the same surrender or of the said John Marshe at some other date before the said last day of September revoke or retract that surrender aforesaid and declare the surrender to be void then the surrender aforesaid to be void otherwise to remain in full force and furthermore the Homage presented that that he himself the aforesaid John Marshe in his life and soon after granting the said surrender made his last will and testament in writing in the proper manner executed and attested and now produced here in court bearing the date the nineteenth day of October in the year of the Lord 1706 mentioned above the contents of which of that testament and last wish as regards the premises aforesaid to follow in the English words following:

In the name of God Amen The nyneteenth day of October in the fifth yeare of the raigne of our Sov[er]aigne Lady Anne by the grace of God of England Scotland France and Ireland Queene Defender of the Fayth etc in the year of the Lord 1706 I John Marshe of Laighton Bussard in the County of Bedford Gent being ill in body but of Sound and p[er]fect mind and memory doe make and ordeyne this my Last will and testament in manner and forme following

And a little below, but continuing:

Item I doe give will and Devise Nominate and appoint All that my Customary Coppyhold Messuage or tenem[en]t wherein Edward Osmond now doth dwell Situate and being in Laighton Bussard afores[ai]d alsoe all my Coppyhold Lands thereunto belonging And also all my other Customary Coppyhold Lands tenem[en]ts and hereditam[en]ts w[ha]tsoever holden of the Manner of Laighton Bussard al[ia]s Grovebury with theire and ev[er]y of theire app[er]tements (which S[ai]d Coppyhold p[re]mis[e]s I have Surrendered to the Use of my Last will and testam[en]t) unto Thomas Theed Gent my Brother in Lawe and Henry Redman of Ascott in the p[ar]ish of Wing in the Said County of Bucks gent and their heires forever in Trust Nevertheless And to this Speciall End Intent and purpose That they the Said Thomas Theed and Henry Redman or the Survivor of them and the heires of the Survivor of them Doe and Shall as Soon as may be after my Decease Sell All and Singular my Said Customary Messuage or tenem[en]t and other my S[ai]d Coppyhold Lands and p[re]mis[e]s with theire app[er]ten[e]nts for the Cost price that they cann have for the Same and the moneys thereof made by Sale and the p[ro]fitts thereof ariseing before Sale cann be made thereof Doe and Shall well and truly pay or cause to be paide in and for or towards the paym[en]t of my Just Debts which I Shall owe att the tyme of my Decease and in and for and towards the paym[en]t of my Legacyes herein after appointed to be paide out of or with the Same And the Overplus money then remayneing (if any Such Shall be doe and Shall well and truly pay or cause to be paide unto the S[ai]d Elizabeth my Loveing wife her Exec[uto]rs Adm[i]n[istrato]rs and Assignes to and for her and theire owne use and behoofe and I Doe hereby give and devise the Same accordingly

As by the last will and testament of he himself John Marshe in the will fully and clearly related therein (amongst other things) and further it is found and presented by the Homage that the said John Marshe died soon after conferring the said surrender and his last will and testament and before the last day of September next following the date of the same surrender and last wish whence the heriot of the best beast of the late John which he had at the time of his death fell due to the lord and that the said surrender was not revoked retracted nor declared to be void and now stands in full force and now to this court come Thomas Theede and Henry Redman and ask the lord to admit them tenants to the premises aforesaid according to the tenor form and effect of the surrender and last will and testament of the late John Marshe to whom the lord through his steward granted seisin thereof by the rod To Have and Hold the premises aforesaid with appurtenances by the aforesaid Thomas Theede and Henry Redman their heirs and assigns forever from the lord by the rod at the lord's wish according to the form and effect of the surrender and last will and testament here before recited and according to custom of the manor aforesaid by the rent of [blank] per annum and services formerly owed and by right accustomed and they give to the lord the fine as asked etc and are thence admitted tenants and did fealty to the lord.

Likewise at this court it is found and presented by the Homage that Richard Leach senior a customary tenant of this manor outside court specifically on the 1st day of March the year of the Lord 1706 surrendered into the hands of the lord of the manor aforesaid by the rod through the hands of Edward Ashwell and John Ashwell two other customary tenants of the same manor according to the custom of the manor aforesaid All that cottage or tenement with appurtenances in which the said Richard Leach then lived with all and singular the houses outhouses buildings structures barns stables brewhouse yards gardens orchard pightle and backsides thereto adjoining and belonging situated and being in the Leck End of Laighton Bussard in the county of Bedfordshire with all and singular its and all of its appurtenances To the Use and Behoof of Katherine Leach wife of the said Richard Leach her heirs and assigns for ever provided always and upon this condition that if the said Richard Leach should be surviving on the last day February next following the date of the said surrender or shall revoke or retract the said surrender aforesaid or declare the same surrender to be void or have null effect then the surrender aforesaid shall be void otherwise to remain in full

force and vigour and furthermore it is found and presented by the Homage that the said Richard Leech died soon after conferring the said surrender and before the said last day of February next following the date of the surrender and the surrender aforesaid was not revoked retracted or declared to be void and is now in full force and now to this court comes the aforesaid Katherine Leach widow and relict of the said Richard Leach deceased and asks of the lord to admit her tenant to the premises aforesaid to whom the Lord through his steward aforesaid granted seisin thereof by the rod To Have and to Hold the premises aforesaid with appurtenances by the aforesaid Katherine Leach her heirs and assigns for ever from the lord by the rod at the lord's wish according to the customs of the manor aforesaid by the rent of [] per annum and services formerly owed and by right accustomed and she gives to the lord her fine for entry as manifested etc. And she is admitted thence tenant and does fealty to the lord.

Likewise at this court it is found and presented by the Homage that Richard Leach Senior a customary tenant of this manor outside court namely on the first day of March in the year of the Lord 1706 surrendered into the hands of the lord of the manor aforesaid by the rod through the hands of Edward Ashwell and John Ashwell two other customary tenants of this same manor according to the custom of the manor aforesaid all the house close meadow and gardens containing by estimation four acres more or less lying together in Laighton Bussard in Bedfordshire next to the road there called The Friday Lane on the southern side thereof now in the tenure or occupation of John Shreeve and John Stevens with all singular of their and all of their appurtenances To the Use and Behoof of Katherine Leach daughter of Richard Leech her heirs and assigns for ever provided always and upon this condition that if the said Richard Leech should be living on the last day of February next following the date of the said surrender or he should revoke or retract the said surrender aforesaid or declare the same surrender to be void or to have no effect then the surrender aforesaid will be void otherwise to remain in full force and furthermore it is found and presented by the Homage that the said Richard Leach died soon after granting the said surrender and before the said last day of February next following the date of this same surrender and that the surrender aforesaid was not revoked retracted or declared to be void and is now in full force and now to this court comes the aforesaid Katherine Leach daughter of the said Richard Leach and asks of the lord to admit herself tenant to the premises aforesaid to whom the lord through his steward granted seisin thereof by the rod To Have to Hod the premises aforesaid with appurtenances by the aforesaid Katherine Leach her heirs and assigns for ever from the lord by the rod at the lord's wish according to the custom of the manor aforesaid by rent of [blank] per annum and by services formerly owed and by right accustomed and she gives to the lord the fine as manifested etc and is admitted tenant thereof does fealty to the lord.

Likewise at this court it is found and presented by the Homage that Richard Leach senior a customary tenant of this manor outside court namely on the first day of March in the year of the Lord 1706 surrendered into the hands of the lord of the manor aforesaid by the rod through the hands of Edward Ashwell junior and John Ashwell two other customary tenants of this manor according to custom of the manor aforesaid all that cottage or tenement with appurtenances that he lately lived by free rent lying and being in The Friday Lane of Laighton Bussard aforesaid and now in the tenure and occupation of he himself the aforesaid Richard Leach with appurtenances To the Use and Behoof of Elizabeth Leach daughter of the said Richard Leach her heirs and assigns for ever provided always and upon this condition that if the said Richard Leech should be living on the last day of February next following the date of the said surrender or he should revoke or retract the said surrender aforesaid or declared the said surrender to be void or to have no effect then the surrender aforesaid is void otherwise to remain in full force and furthermore it was found and presented by the Homage that the said Richard Leech died soon after granting the said surrender and before the

said last day of February next following the date of the same surrender and that the surrender aforesaid was never retracted revoked of declared to be void and is now in full force and now to this court comes Elizabeth Leech and asks the lord to admit her tenant to the premises aforesaid to whom the lord through his steward aforesaid granted seisin by the rod To Have to Hold the premises aforesaid with appurtenances by the aforementioned Elizabeth Leech her heirs and assigns for ever from the lord by the rod at the lord's wish according to the custom of the manor aforesaid by the rent of [blank] per annum and all services formerly owed and by right accustomed and she gives to the lord the fine as manifested etc and is admitted thence tenant does fealty to the lord.

Likewise at this court it was found and presented by the Homage that Richard Leach senior a customary tenant of this manor outside court specifically on the first day of March in the year of the Lord 1706 surrendered into the hands of the lord of the manor aforesaid by the rod through the hands of Edward Ashwell junior and John Ashwell two other customary tenants of this same manor according to the custom of the manor aforesaid All that his close of pasture called or known by the name of The Rowriddy Close containing by estimation four acres more or less lying in Shenley Hill Field in Laighton Bussard in the County of Bedfordshire and all that little piece of meadow called Badcocks also lying in Shenley Hill Field aforesaid next to the said close of pasture with its and all of its apurtenances To the Use and Behoof of James Leach son of Richard Leach his heirs and assigns forever provided always and upon this condition that if the said Richard Leach shall be living on the last day of February next following the date of the said surrender or he shall revoke or retract the said surrender aforesaid or to be void and have null effect then the surrender aforesaid is void otherwise to remain in full force and furthermore it is found and presented by the Homage that the said Richard Leach died soon after granting the said surrender and before the last day of February next following the date of the same surrender and it was not retracted or revoked or declared to be void and now to this court comes the aforesaid James Leach and he asks of the lord to admit himself tenant to the premises aforesaid to whom the lord through his steward aforesaid granted seisin thereof by the rod To Have and to Hold the premises aforesaid with appurtenances by the aforesaid James Leach his heirs and assigns for ever from the lord by the rod at the lord's wish according to custom of the manor aforesaid by and all services formerly owed and by right accustomed and he gives to the lord his fine for entry as manifested etc and he is admitted thence tenant does fealty to the lord.

Likewise to this court come Richard Sibley and asks of the lord to be admitted tenant to all that fourth part in four equal parts divided of the whole of that messuage or tenement with appurtenances in which Thomas Hogg lives situated and being in Billington in the parish of Laighton Bussard in the county of Bedford and all houses outhouses buildings barns stables yards gardens orchards and backsides thereto belonging and all that piece or parcel of arable land containing by estimation fifty acres or more lying and being dispersed in the common fields of Billington more or less and also all those two semi-virgates of meadow lying in the meadow called Billington Meade and all those five perches of meadow lying in Mill Fenn and all those four perches or common pasture for four cows in Summerleys belonging and appertaining to the said messuage or tenement and also all other customary land tenements and hereditaments whatsoever Daniel Platt and Mary his wife [or] one of them held by copy of court roll from the lord of the manor aforesaid according to tenor form and effect of that surrender made before by the said Daniel Platt and Mary his wife to the use and uses of himself Richard Sibley and his heirs and in the proper manner presented by the Homage at the general court held for this manor on the 17th day of October the year of the Lord 1706 as fully and clearly related therein the rolls of this court to whom the lord through his steward aforesaid granted seisin thereof by the rod To Have and to Hold the premises aforesaid with appurtenances by the said Richard Sibley his heirs and assigns for ever from the lord by the rod at

the lord's wish according to custom of the manor aforesaid by the rent of [blank] per annum and other services formerly owed and by right accustomed and he gives to the lord the fine for his entry as manifested in the margin and is admitted thence tenant does fealty to the lord.

Likewise to this court comes Francis Nixon junior and asks of the lord to be admitted tenant to all that cottage or tenement with appurtenances in which William Hogg lives with all and singular the houses outhouses buildings structures barns stables yards gardens orchards and backside thereto belonging and adjoining situated and being in Little Billington in the parish of Laighton Bussard in the county of Bedford and to the common pasture for six cows according to ancient calculation (now reduced to three rights of common in Billington Summerleys to the said cottage or tenement belonging or appertaining and to two other customary rights of common with all and singular its and all of its appurtenances according to the tenor form and effect of the same surrender before made by William Theed gentleman To the Use and Behoof of he himself Francis Nixon junior his heirs and assigns for ever in the proper manner presented by the Homage at the court held for the manor aforesaid on the seventeenth day of October the year of the Lord 1706 as in the rolls of the court related fully and clearly therein to whom the lord through his steward aforesaid granted seisin thereof by the rod to Have and to Hold the premises aforesaid with appurtenances by the aforementioned Francis Nixon his heirs and assigns for ever from the lord by the rod at the lord's wish according to custom of the manor aforesaid by rent of [blank] per annum and services formerly owed and by right accustomed and he gives to the lord the fine for his entry as manifested etc and is admitted thence tenant does fealty to the lord.

Likewise at this court it was found and presented by the Homage that Mary Smith widow a customary tenant of this manor outside court namely on the twenty eighth day of May in the year of the Lord 1707 surrendered into the hands of the lord of the manor aforesaid by the rod through the hands of Edward Ashwell and John Ashwell two other customary tenants of this same manor according to custom of the manor aforesaid All that Cottage or tenement with appurtenances in which Joan Smith widow then lives called or known by the name of The Bell and Chequer with all houses outhouses structures barns stables yards gardens and backside thereto adjoining and belonging situated and being in the Northend of Laighton Bussard in the county of Bedford next to the cottage of the aforesaid Mary Smith then in the tenure of John Humbles on the southern side with its and all of its appurtenances and that the Cottage and premises were purchased by John Smith deceased late husband of Mary Smith from John Parsons To the Use and Behoof of Thomas Johnson of Laighton Bussard dealer his heirs and assigns for ever and now to this court comes the aforesaid Thomas Johnson and asks of the lord to be admitted tenant to the premises aforesaid to whom the lord through his steward aforesaid granted seisin thereof by the rod To Have and to Hold the premises aforesaid with appurtenances by the aforesaid Thomas Johnson his heirs and assigns for ever from the lord by the rod at the lord's wish according to custom of the manor aforesaid by rent of [blank] per annum and also services formerly owed and by right accustomed and he gives to the lord the fine for his entry as manifest etc and is admitted thence tenant does fealty to the lord.

Likewise at this court it was found and presented by the Homage that Joseph Gurney a customary tenant of this manor outside court namely on the fifth of June in the year of the lord 1707 surrendered into the hands of the lord of the manor by the rod through the hands of Edward Ashwell and John Ashwell two other customary tenants of this same manor according to custom of this same manor All that his acre of subcessive land by estimation more or less lying in Laighton Bussard in the county of Bedford in the common field called Shenley Hill Field in the furlong called Broone Hill next to the land of the late John Marshe gentleman deceased on the western side thereof with its appurtenances To the Use and Behoof of John Smith of Laighton Bussard John Smith and

he asks the lord for himself to be admitted tenant to the premises aforesaid to whom the lord through his steward granted thence seisin by the rod To Have and to Hold the premises aforesaid with appurtenances by the aforesaid John Smith his heirs and assigns for ever from the lord by the rod at the lord's wish according to custom of the manor aforesaid by rent of [blank] per annum and other services formerly owed and by right accustomed and he gives to the lord his fine for his entry as manifest in the margin and is admitted thence tenant does fealty to the lord.

Likewise at this court it was found and presented by the Homage that Andrew Gladman a customary tenant of this manor and Ann his wife (she herself the said Ann being secretly and alone examined by Thomas Maisterson Esquire steward of the manor aforesaid and declaring that she herself without intimidation or compulsion from her husband did) outside court specifically on the fourteenth day of January in the year of the Lord 1706 surrendered into the hands of the lord of the manor aforesaid by the rod through the hands of Edmund Roberts and John Ashwell two other customary tenants of this manor according to custom of the manor aforesaid All that their four acres of arable land by estimation more or less being lying dispersed in the fields of Heath and Reach in the parish of Laighton Bussard in the county of Bedford and then in the tenure or occupation of Thomas Stanbridge or his assigns with all and singular their and all of their appurtenances To the Use and Behoof of John Felce of Heath in the parish of Laighton Bussard aforesaid weaver his heirs and assigns for ever and now to this court comes the aforesaid John Felce and he asks of the lord to be admitted tenant to the premises aforesaid to whom the lord through his steward aforesaid granted seisin thereof by the rod To Have to Hold the premises aforesaid with appurtenances by the aforesaid John Felce his heirs and assigns for ever from the lord by the rod at the lord's wish and according to the custom of the manor aforesaid by rent of [blank] per annum and other services thereto formerly owed and by right accustomed and he gives to the lord the fine for his entry as manifest in the margin and is admitted thence tenant does fealty to the lord.

Likewise at this court it is found and presented by the Homage that John Clarke a customary tenant of this manor and Barbara his wife (she herself the said Barbara being alone and secretly examined by Thomas Maisterson Esquire steward of the manor aforesaid and declaring that she herself without compulsion or intimidation from her husband did) outside court namely on the fifth day of June in the year of the lord 1707 surrendered into the hands of the lord of the manor by the rod through the hands of John Ashwell and Edward Ashwell two other customary tenants of this same manor according to the custom of the manor aforesaid All that customary cottage or tenement with appurtenances in which Robert Clarke then lived with all and singular the houses outhouses buildings structures barns stables yards gardens orchards pightle and backside and a close of pasture containing three rods by estimation more or less thereto adjoining and belonging situated and being in Heath in the parish of Laighton Bussard in the county of Bedford the land of William Seare lying on the western side thereof with all and singular their and all of their appurtenances To the Use and Behoof of the said Robert Clarke his heirs and assigns for ever and now to this court comes the aforesaid Robert Clarke and he asks the lord to be admitted tenant to the premises aforesaid to whom the lord through his steward granted seisin thereof by the rod To Have to Hold the premises aforesaid with appurtenances by the aforesaid Robert Clarke his heirs and assigns for ever from the lord by the rod at the lord's wish according to custom of the manor aforesaid by rent of [blank] per annum and other services formerly owed and by right accustomed and he gives to the lord the fine for his entry as manifest etc and is admitted thence tenant does fealty to the lord.

Likewise [at] this court it is found and presented by the Homage that Charles Pym gentleman a customary tenant of this manor and Sarah his wife [(]she herself the said Sarah firstly being examined alone and secretly by Francis Neale gentleman deputy steward of the manor aforesaid and declaring that she herself did without intimidation or compulsion from her husband) surrendered

outside court namely on the ninth day of December in the year of the Lord 1706 into the hands of the lord of the manor aforesaid through the hands of Henry Millard and John Ashwell two other customary tenants of the same manor All that her one piece or parcel of meadow containing by estimation two acres more or less lying in Laighton Bussard in the county of Bedford in that common meadow called Kings Meade next to the land of John Willows on the northern side and the common fields on the southern side with appurtenances To the Use and Behoof of Judith Gurney now wife of John Gurney of Surcott in the parish of Linslade in the county of Buckingham yeoman for and during the term of her natural life and from and after her decease To the use and Behoof of Robert Gurney son of the said John Gurney his heirs and assigns for ever and now to this court comes the aforesaid Judith wife of the said John Gurney and Robert Gurney son of himself John Gurney and they ask the lord to be admitted tenant to the premises aforesaid to whom the lord through his steward aforesaid granted seisin thereof by the rod to Have and to Hold the premises aforesaid with appurtenances by the aforesaid Judith as and during the term of her natural life and from and after her decease to the aforesaid Robert Gurney his heirs and assigns for ever from the lord by the rod at the lord's wish according to custom of the manor aforesaid by rent of [blank] per annum and services formerly owed and by right accustomed and they give to the lord the fine for their entry as manifest etc and are admitted thence tenants did fealty to the lord.

Likewise at this court it is found and presented by the Homage that William Miller and John Miller customary tenants of this manor outside court namely on the twentieth day of December in the year of the Lord 1706 surrendered into the hands of the lord of the manor aforesaid by the rod through the hands of Thomas Hogg and John Ashwell two other customary tenants of the manor aforesaid All that their cottage or tenement with appurtenances in which Joanna Jenkins widow then lived with all and singular the houses outhouses buildings structures barns stables yards gardens orchards and backsides being customary land [in] English Coppyhold) thereto belonging and adjoining situate and being in Billington in the parish of Laighton Bussard in the County of Bedford and all other customary land held and hereditaments whatsoever that he himself the said William Miller and John Miller or one or the other of them held from this Manor with its and all of its appurtenances To the use and Behoof of John Lake of Billingdon aforesaid cordwainer his heirs and assigns for ever and now to this court comes the aforesaid John Lake and asks of the lord to admit himself tenant to the premises aforesaid to whom the lord through his steward aforesaid granted seisin thereof by the rod To Have and to Hold the premises aforesaid with appurtenances to the aforesaid John Luke junior his heirs and assigns for ever from the lord by the rod at the lord's wish according to custom of the manor aforesaid by rent of [blank] per annum and all other services formerly owed and by right accustomed and he gives to the lord the fine for his entry as manifest etc does fealty to the lord and is admitted thence tenant.

Likewise at this court it is found and presented by the Homage that Andrew Gladmann a customary tenant of this manor and Anna his wife (she herself the said Anna being alone and secretly examined by Thomas Maisterson Esquire steward of the manor aforesaid and declaring that she herself did without intimation or compulsion of her husband) outside court namely on the twenty fifth day of March in the year of the Lord 1707 surrendered into the hands of the lord of manor aforesaid by the rod through the hands of John Ashwell and Edward Roberts two other customary tenants of the manor aforesaid according to custom of this same manor All that cottage or tenement in which Thomas Stanbridge lately lived with all and singular the houses outhouses buildings structures barns stables yards gardens orchards and backside thereto adjoining and belonging and being in Heath in the parish of Laighton Bussard in the county of Bedford next to the cottage of John Perkins on the southern side and to the lane or old royal road on the northern side with all and singular its and all of its appurtenances To the Use and Behoof of John Windmill of Milton in the

county of Bucks labourer his heirs and assigns for ever and now to this court comes the aforesaid John Windmill and he asks of the lord to be admitted tenant to the premises aforesaid to whom the lord through his steward aforesaid granted seisin thereof by the rod To Have and to Hold the premises aforesaid with appurtenances by the aforesaid John Windmill his heirs and assigns for ever from the lord by the rod at the lord's wish according to custom of the manor aforesaid by rent of [blank] per annum and services formerly owed and by right accustomed and he gives to the lord the fine for his entry as manifest in the margin and is admitted thence tenant does fealty to the lord.

Whereas at the court held here for the manor aforesaid on the seventeen day of October the year of the Lord 1706 it was found and presented by the Homage that Henry Millard Senior a customary tenant of this manor outside court specifically on the third day of July the year of the Lord 1706 surrendered into the hands of the lord of the manor aforesaid by the rod through the hands of Edward Ashwell senior and John Ashwell two other customary tenants of this same manor according to custom of the manor aforesaid All that cottage or tenement with appurtenances in which the said Henry Millard then lived with all and singular the houses outhouses buildings structures barns stables yards gardens orchards and backside thereto adjoining and belonging situate and being in the Leck End of Laighton Bussard in the county of Bedford and all those two closes of pasture called or known by the name of Butlers lying together in Laighton Bussard aforesaid and all other his customary land tenements and hereditaments whatsoever held from this manor with all and singular its and all if its appurtenances To the Use and Behoof of such person or persons and by such estate and estates use and uses and upon such provisions conditions and limitations of what kind that he himself the said Henry Millard in and by his last will and testament in the proper manner in writing executed and attested nominated limited or appointed or in the future shall nominate appoint give bestow and devise the same provided always that if the said Henry Millard should be living at the one year next following the date of this same surrender or it should be revoked retracted or declared the said surrender to be void and to have no effect then the surrender is to be void otherwise to remain in full force and effect and furthermore it was found and presented by the Homage that the said Henry Millard died soon after the granting the said surrender aforesaid and before the end of the year next following the date of the surrender and that the said surrender recited above [was not] revoked or declared to be void and now is and exists in full force as by the rolls of this court is fully clearly and apparent related therein and now at this court it is found and presented by the Homage that the said Henry Millard before his death and soon after granting the surrender aforesaid made his last will and testament in writing in the proper manner executed and attested now produced in court bearing the date twenty third day of July the year of the Lord 1706 According to the tenor of the last and will and testament of he himself Henry Millard to whomever as far as the premises aforesaid in these English words following viz:

In the name of God Amen the three and twentieth day of July in the fifth yeare of the raigne of our Soveraigne Lady Anne by the grave of God Queen of England Scotland France and Ireland and defender of the faith etc the year of the Lord 1706 I Henry Millard the elder of Laighton Bussard in the County of Bedford harnessmaker being ill in body but of Sound mind and memory (God be praysed therefore) doe make and Ordayne this my Last Will and testament in manner and forme following

A little below but continuing "Firstly

I doe Nominate and appoint Give will and Devise unto Henry Millard the Younger my Grandsonne and Sonne of Henry Millard my Sonne All that my Coppyhold Messuage or Tenement wherein I doe Dwell with all and Singular Houses Outhouses Buildings Barns Stables Yards Gardens Backsides thereto adjoining and belonging situate and being in the Leck End of Laighton Bussard aforesaid Also all other my Customary Coppyhold Lands tenements and hereditaments whatsoever holden of the Said Mannor with all and Singular theire and every of theire appurtenances To Have to Hold Unto him the Said Henry Millard my Grandsonne his heires and Ass[ign]s for ever provided alwayes and upon Condition Hee the said Henry Millard my Grandsonne his heires and Assignes Doe and Shall Out of the said p[re]mises well and truley pay or cause to be paide unto Mary Millard my Daughter the full Sum[m]e of One hundred and fifty pounds of Lawful money of England within three monthes next after my Decease And if Default Shall be made in paym[en]t of the Said Sum[m]e of One hundred and fifty pounds of Lawful money of England or any part thereof Contrary to the intent and meaneing of these p[re]sents then the Said Gift and Devise of my Said Cottage Close Lands and p[re]mises Soe Given to the said Henry Millard my Grand Sonne and the heires as aforesaid Shall be voide And then I doe hereby Nominate and appoint give and Devise my said Cottage or Tenement Closes Lands and Premises Soe Given to the Said Henry my Grandsonne and his heires as aforesaid Unto the said Mary Millard my Daughter and her heires and Assignes forever Any thing herein contained to the Contrary Notwithstanding".

as in and by the last will and testament by he himself Henry Millard Senior related therein fully and clearly apparent and now to this court comes the aforesaid Henry Millard Junior and asks the lord to be admited tenant to the premises aforesaid so surrendered as aforementioned according to the form and effect of the said surrender and last will and testament of the said Henry Millard Senior his father to whom the lord through his steward granted seisin thereof by the rod To Have and to Hold the premises aforesaid with appurtenances by the said Henry Millard junior his heirs and assigns from the lord by the rod at the lord's wish according to the form and effect of the said surrender and the last will and testament of the said surrender and the last will and testament of the said Henry Millard Senior here above recited and according to custom of the manor aforesaid by rent of [blank] per annum and other services formerly owed and by right accustomed and he gives to the lord the fine for his entry as manifest etc. and is admitted thence tenant does fealty to the lord.

Likewise at this court it is found and presented by the Homage that John Honnor a customary tenant of this manor outside court namely on the twenty sixth day of November the year of the Lord 1706 surrendered into the hands of the lord of the manor aforesaid through the hands of John Ashwell and John Robinson two other customary tenants of the manor aforesaid according to custom of the manor aforesaid All that cottage or tenement in which the said John Honnor then dwelt with all and singular the houses outhouses structures barns stables yards gardens orchards and backsides thereto adjoining and belonging situate and being in Laighton Bussard aforesaid in the county of Bedford next to the cottage or tenement of Thomas Smith on the western side and abutting across on the southern on the communal highway with all and singular its and all of its appurtenances To the Use and Behoof of Mary then wife of the said John Honnor her heirs and assigns for ever provided always and upon this condition that if the said John Honnor to be living at the end of one year next following the date of this same surrender or if the said John Honnor at some time before the end of one year next following the date of the same surrender revoke the said surrender to declare the same to have no effect then this surrender aforesaid to be void and have no effect otherwise to remain in full force and vigour and furthermore it is found and presented by the Homage that the said John Honor died soon after granting the said surrender and before the end of one year after the date of granting the said surrender and that the said surrender aforesaid was never revoked or declared by the late John Honnor to be void at some other time after the granting thereof and it now stands and is in full force and effect and the said Mary Honnor widow late wife of the said John Honnor deceased is solemnly required to come to court to do and receive etc. did not come and so the first proclamation is made etc.

Likewise at this court it is found and presented by the Homage that Richard Leach senior a customary tenant of this manor outside court namely on the first day of March in the year of the Lord 1706 surrendered into the hands of the lord of the manor aforesaid by the rod through the hands of Edward Ashwell and John Ashwell two other customary tenants of this manor according to custom of the manor aforesaid All that his two closes of pasture or grassland containing together by estimation five acres more or less called the Lamas Closes lying together in Laighton Bussard in the county of Bedford next to the land of Thomas Hopkyns on the south western side and the lane called Cabbin Lane on the northern eastern side thereof and all that his little meadow called Brewers Meade containing by estimation one acre and a half more or less lying in Laighton Bussard aforesaid next to the brook there on the western side and to the field called Shenley Hill Field on the eastern side and to the land called Baddock Moore on the northern side thereof with its appurtenances To the Use and Behoof of Jane Leach daughter of he himself Richard Leach senior her heirs and assigns forever provided always that if the said Richard Leach senior shall be living on the last day of February next following the date of this same surrender or if the said Richard Leach at some other time before the said last day of February revoke or retract this actual surrender or declare the same to be void and to have no effect then this actual surrender is void otherwise to remain to remain in full force and furthermore it is found and presented by the Homage that the said Richard Leach died soon after granting and before the last day of February next following the date of this same surrender and that the said surrender was never revoked or declared to be void at some other time after the granting thereof by himself Richard Leach and now exists in full force and the said Jane Leach is solemnly required to come to court to do and receive etc. did not come so the first proclamation is made.

Likewise at this court it is witnessed by the Steward and is found and presented by the Homage that William Gogsdell (brother and next heir of the late John Cogsdale of Laighton Bussard in the county of Bedford husbandman deceased) a customary tenant of the manor aforesaid and Rebecca his wife she herself the said Rebecca was firstly examined secretly and alone by Francis Neale gentleman deputy Steward of the manor aforesaid and declaring that she herself did without intimidation or compulsion from her husband outside court namely on the thirtieth day of May in the year of the lord 1707 surrendered into the hands of the lord of the manor aforesaid by the rod through the hands of the said Francis Neale deputy Steward of the manor aforesaid according to custom of this same manor aforesaid All that cottage or tenement with appurtenances situate and being in the Church End of Laighton Bussard aforesaid in the said county of Bedford next to the cottage or messuage or tenement of Arthur Tarsey on the southern side and to the cottage or tenement then or lately John Kirkman on the northern side thereof this cottage and premises come from and descend to William Cogsdell upon the death of John Cogsdell his late brother who had the same obligation from the surrender of Anne Hopgood widow deceased and in the same way burdened with the payment of forty shillings to William Smith within the space of twelve months next following after the decease of the said Anne and four pounds to Simon Smith when he attains the age of one and twenty years nevertheless each of these money sums are unpaid as by the rolls of this court related fully and clearly therein To the Use and Behoof of James Tarsey infant son of Arthur Tarsey of Laighton Bussard aforesaid yeoman his heirs and assigns for ever Nevertheless although the said James Tarsey is solemnly required to come to court to do and receive etc. So the first proclamation is made etc.

Likewise it is found and presented by the Homage that John Honnor a customary tenant of this manor outside court namely on the twenty sixth day of November in the year of the Lord 1706 surrendered into the hands of the lord of the manor aforesaid by the rod through the hands of John Robinson and John Ashwell two other customary tenants of the manor aforesaid according to

custom of this manor All that his several pieces or parcels of arable land grassland and meadow containing by estimation twenty five acres more or less lying dispersed in the common fields meadows and precincts of Heath and Reach in the parish of Laighton Bussard in the county of Bedford and All other his customary lands and tenements held by Copy of the Court Rolls of the manor aforesaid lying in Heath and Reach aforesaid with all and singular their appurtenances to the Use and Behoof of the last will and testament of he himself John Honnor to wit to the Use and Behoof of such person and persons and by such estate and estates use and uses and upon such provisions conditions and limitations intentions and purposes which he himself the said John Honnor in and by his last will and testament made in the proper manner in writing or to be made or such other writing by him to be signed and sealed in the presence of three or more credible persons nominated limited and appointed given bequeathed or devised the same provided always and upon this condition that if the said John Honnor should be living at the end of one year next following the date of this same surrender or if the said John Honnor at another time before the end of one year next following the date of this same surrender shall revoke or retract the said surrender or declare it to be void and have null effect that then this present surrender is void and has null effect otherwise to remain in full force and vigour and furthermore it is found and presented by the Homage that the said John Honnor died soon after granting the said surrender aforesaid and before the end of one year next following the date of the said surrender and that the said surrender was never revoked or retracted by himself John Honnor at some other time in his life or declared to be void with no effect and now the said surrender exists in full force and vigour but whether the said John Honnor made his last will and testament in writing or not the Homage are ignorant but no one comes to be admitted to the premises and to do and receive etc so the first proclamation is made for the heirs of the said John to come to court to do etc.

Likewise at this court it is found and presented by the Homage that Robert Nash a customary tenant of this manor outside court namely on the sixteenth day of May in the year of the Lord 1707 surrendered into the hands of the lord of the manor by the rod through the hands of Thomas Nash and John Ashwell two other customary tenants of this manor aforesaid according to custom of the manor aforesaid All that his piece or parcel of meadow called or known by the name of The Hook containing by estimation two acres more or less lying in Billington Long Meade in the parish of Laighton Bussard aforesaid in the county of Bedford next to the old public road called The Roade or highway on the eastern side thereof with its appurtenances To the Use and Behoof of Robert Nash the youngest born son of the said Robert Nash senior his heirs and assigns for ever provided always and upon this condition that if the aforesaid Robert Nash father should be living on the last day of April next following the date of the said surrender or if the said Robert Nash father shall revoke or retract the said surrender at some other time before the said last day of April or declare the same surrender to have no effect then the surrender aforesaid is to be void otherwise would stand and remain in full force and furthermore it is found and presented by the Homage that the said Robert Nash died soon after granting the said surrender aforesaid and before the said last day of April next following the date of this same surrender and that the said surrender was not revoked nor retracted at some other time after the granting thereof nor declared by himself to have no effect and that the said surrender now stands and exists in full force although Robert Nash the son is solemnly required to come to court to do and receive he did not come so the first proclamation is made etc.

Likewise it is found and presented by the Homage that Thomas Simmes a customary tenant of this manor outside court namely on the twelfth day of April in the year of the Lord 1706 surrendered into the hands of the lord of the manor aforesaid by the rod through the hands of Edward Ashwell and John Ashwell two other customary tenants of this manor aforesaid according to custom of the manor aforesaid All that cottage or tenement with appurtenances in which Christopher Rowland and

John Harnall then lived with all and singular the houses outhouses buildings structures barns stables yards gardens and backsides thereto adjoining and belonging situated and being in the Northend of Laighton Bussard in the county of Bedford next to the cottage or tenement of Sarah B[..]ford on the northern side thereof and All that his piece or parcel of pasture or grassland or as much thereof there is customary land held by copy of court roll of this manor together with the houses structures then standing and being upon the same situate and lying on the rear part of the messuage or inn of he himself Thomas Simmes called or known by the name of The Cock in Laighton Bussard aforesaid and all other his customary land tenements and hereditaments whatsoever held from this manor with their and all of their appurtenances To the Use and Behoof of Mary Pennington of Laighton Bussard aforesaid spinster her heirs and assigns for ever provided always and upon this condition that if the said Thomas Simmes his heirs executors or adminstrators shall well and truly pay or make payment to the said Mary Pennington her executors administrators or assigns the full sum of one hundred and three pounds of legal English money upon nineteenth day of October next following the date of the said surrender at or in the then mansion house of John Ashwell situate in Laighton Bussard aforesaid then the surrender aforesaid will be void otherwise to be in full force and furthermore it is found and presented by the Homage that the said sum of One hundred and three pounds mentioned in the condition to the said surrender aforesaid was not paid on the day or place as expressed and limited in the said surrender for the payment thereof according to the form and effect of the said surrender and is still unpaid causing these cottage and premises aforesaid so surrendered as aforementioned to become forfeit to the said Mary Pennington and her heirs although Mary Pennington is solemnly required to come to court to do and receive etc she did not come so the first proclamation is made etc.

Likewise at this court it is presented by the Homage and witnessed by the Steward that Joseph Hartley a customary tenant of this manor outside court namely on the twenty eighth day of April in the year of the Lord 1707 surrendered into the hands of the lord of the manor aforesaid through the hands of Francis Neale gentleman Deputy Steward of the manor aforesaid according to custom of the manor aforesaid of this same manor All that his little Pightle or piece of pasture lying in Laighton Bussard aforesaid next to that lane or old road there called Fryday Lane the land belonging to the messuage of inn called The Cock lying on the western side thereof with its appurtenances to the Use and Behoof of John Hillersden of Stokhammond in the county of Buckinghamshire gentleman his heirs and assigns for ever although John Hillersden is solemnly required to come to court to do and receive etc. he did not come and so the first proclamation is made.

Likewise at this court is found and presented by the Homage that Thomas Reeve a customary tenant of this manor outside court namely on the twenty fifth day of January in the year of the Lord 1706 surrendered into the hands of the lord of the manor aforesaid by the rod through the hands of Thomas Johnson and John Ashwell two other customary tenants of this manor according to custom of the manor aforesaid all those two acres of arable land by estimation more or less lying dispersed in the common fields of Laighton Bussard in the county of Bedford lately possessed and purchased by he himself from William Whittamore with its appurtenances to the Use and Behoof of Joan Reeve wife of the said Thomas Reeve for the term of her natural life and after her decease to the Use and Behoof of Ben[jamin] Reeve son of the said Thomas his heirs and assigns for ever provided always that if the said Thomas Reeve should be living at the end of one year next after the date of this surrender then the surrender aforesaid is to be void otherwise to remain in full force and furthermore it is found by the Homage that the said Thomas Reeve died soon after making the surrender aforesaid and Joan Reeve and Benjamin Reeve are solemnly require to come to court to make and receive etc. they did not come nor either of them came so the first proclamation is made. Likewise at this court it is found and presented by the Homage that Matthew Disney Clerk a customary tenant of this manor aforesaid and Frances Disney and Elizabeth Disney daughters of himself Matthew Disney (by Sarah Disney his wife now deceased) surrendered outside court namely on the second day of June the year of the Lord 1707 into the hands of the lord of the manor aforesaid through the hands of William Whipham junior and John Ashwell two other customary tenants of the said manor according to custom of this same manor All that moiety or half part of that whole one cottage or tenement in which Richard Owen then dwelt known or called by the name of the three horseshooes situated and being in the North End of Laighton Bussard in the county of Bedford and all and singular the houses outhouses structures barns stables yards gardens orchard pightles and backsides thereto adjoining and belonging and from and in all that piece or parcel of subcessive land lying in Shenley Hill Field in Laighton Bussard aforesaid and adjoining the pightles or backsides belonging to the said cottage or tenement to the Use and Behoof of Matthew Cherry (son of Thomas Cherry lately of Laighton Bussard aforesaid wool merchant deceased) his heirs and assigns for ever although Matthew Cherry is solemnly required to come to court to make and receive etc he did not come and so the first proclamation is made.

Likewise at this court it is found and presented by the Homage that Matthew Disney Clerk a customary tenant of this manor outside court namely on the twentieth day of November the year of the Lord 1706 surrendered into the hands of the lord of the manor aforesaid by the rod through the hands of William Whipham jun[ior] and John Ashwell two other customary tenants of this manor aforesaid according to custom of the same manor All that his two acres of subcessive or grassland by estimation more or less lying together in a piece in Shenley Hill Field in Laighton Bussard in the county of Bedford next to the subcessive land belonging to the cottage or tenement called or known by the sign of the Three Horseshooes on the northern side thereof with its wood trees hedges fences [rights of common?] and appurtenances thereto belonging To the Use and Behoof of Matthew Cherry (son of Thomas Cherry lately of Laighton Bussard aforesaid wool merchant) his heirs and assigns for ever although Matthew Cherry is solemnly required to come to court to do and receive etc. he did not come and so the first proclamation is made etc.

Likewise at this court it is found and presented by the Homage that Rebecca Dean widow who whilst she lived was a tenant of lord of the manor aforesaid by the rod at the lord's wish according to the custom of the manor aforesaid to herself and her heirs a customary cottage with appurtenances she died since the last court so seised thereof and that John Bedcott is her son and next heir to whom the premises should descend and of full age although John Bedcott is solemnly required to come to court to do and receive etc. he did not come so the first proclamation is made.

Likewise at this court it is found and presented by the Homage that Henry Peirson who whilst he was living held to himself and his heirs from the lord of this manor by the rod at the lord's wish according to custom of the manor aforesaid a half virgate of customary meadow lying in the meadow called Billington Meade with appurtances he died since the last court without issue thus seised of the premises aforesaid and that Thomas Peirson is his brother and next heir to whom the premises should descend and is of full age although Thomas Peirson is solemnly required to come to court to do and receive etc. he did not come and so the first proclamation is made etc.

Likewise at this court the second proclamation was made for William Stonhill to come to court to take out of the hands of the lord of the manor all and singular the customary land and tenements and hereditaments which were surrendered into the hands of the said lord of the manor aforesaid to the Use of himself William from Stephen Broome and Hannah his wife and Rebecca Gregory widow and presented by the Homage at the last court.

Likewise at this court the second proclamation is made for Robert Baskerfield son of Thomas Baskerfield to take out of the hands of the lord of the manor aforesaid all and singular the customary land and tenements which were surrendered into the hands of the said lord of the manor to the Use of himself Robert Baskerfield by John Lynton and presented by the Homage at the last court.

Likewise at this court the second proclamation is made for the heirs of Thomas Simmes to come to court to take out of the hands of the lord of the manor all and singular his customary land and tenements which descended to him on the death of the said Thomas Simmes.

Likewise at this court the second proclamation was made for William Freeman and Winifred his wife to take out of the hands of the lord of the manor aforesaid all and singular the customary land and tenements which were surrendered into the hands of the lord of the manor to the use of themselves William and Winifred from John Sear and presented by the Homage at the last court.

Likewise at this court the second proclamation was made for the heirs of Richard Atkyns to come to court and take out of the hands of the lord of the manor all and singular their customary land and tenements which descended to him upon the death of the said Richard Atkyns.

Likewise at this court the second proclamation was made for the Honerable Elizabeth Leigh widow and Charles Leigh Esquire to come to court to take out of the hands of the lord of the manor all and singular their customary land and tenements which were surrendered and granted by the lord of the manor and the said Elizabeth to the use of themselves Elizabeth and Charles and was presented by the Jurors at the last court.

Likewise at this court the third proclamation was made for Jane Leach daughter of Richard Leach to come into court to take out of the hands of the lord of the manor aforesaid all and singular her customary land and tenements which were surrendered into the hands of the lord of the manor for the use of herself Jane Leach by Charles Pym senior and Sarah his wife and Charles Pym junior according to the form and effect the surrender presented by the Jurors at the court held on the twenty sixth day of May in the year of the Lord 1706.

Likewise at this court the third proclamation was made for Susanna Healey widow Eleanor wife of the same [blank] and [blank] Turpyn the son of John Turpyn and Sarah his wife coheirs of Stephen Greene to come into court to take out of the hands of the lord of the manor aforesaid all and singular their customary land and tenements which descended to them on the death of Stephen Greene deceased as presented by the Jurors at the court held for the manor on the twenty sixth day of May the year of the Lord 1706.

End of this court.