

DOCUMENTATION FROM THE 1700s AND 1800s

We are extremely grateful to Stewart Pimblett of Tye Green Elsenham, for the loan of a large number of documents relating to land purchase transfer and rental in and around Tye Green in the 1700s and 1800s.

Some examples of these documents are included here.

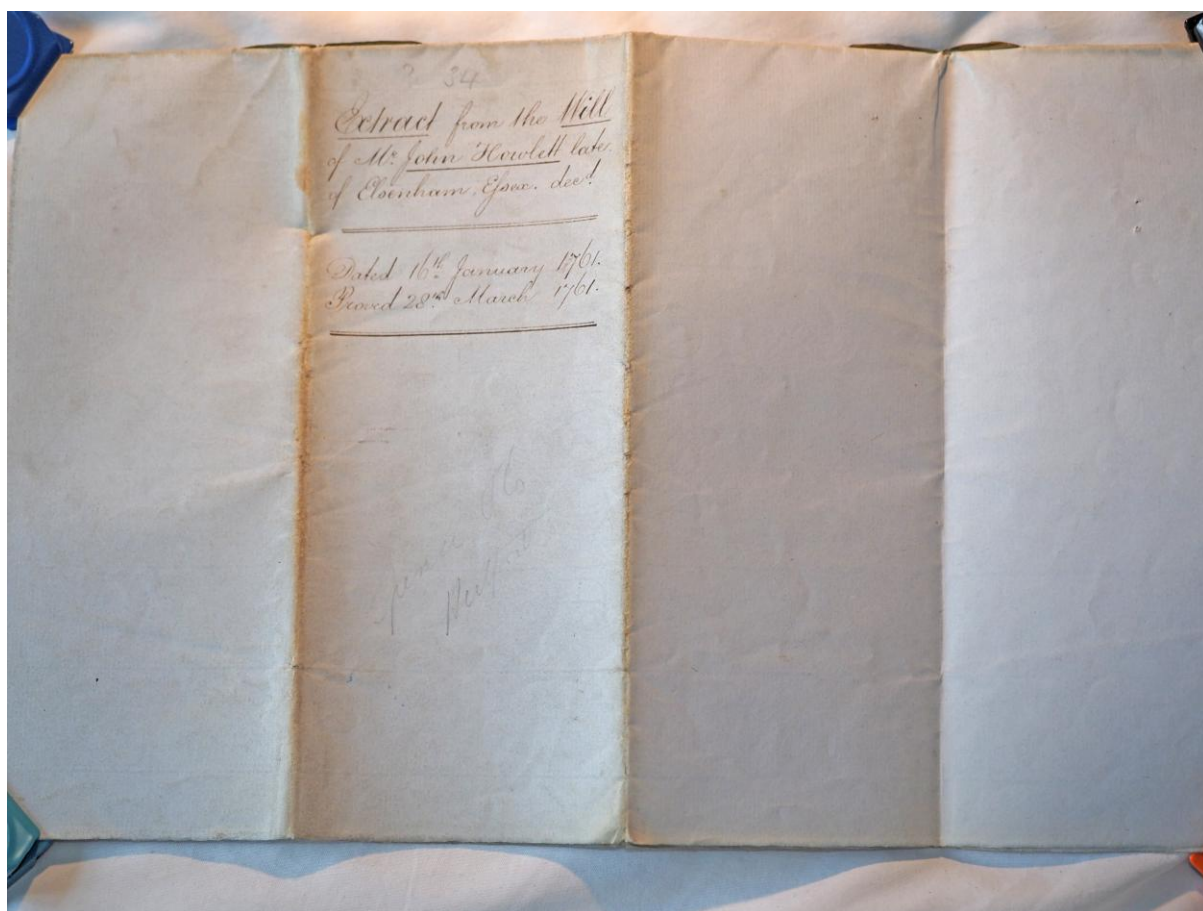
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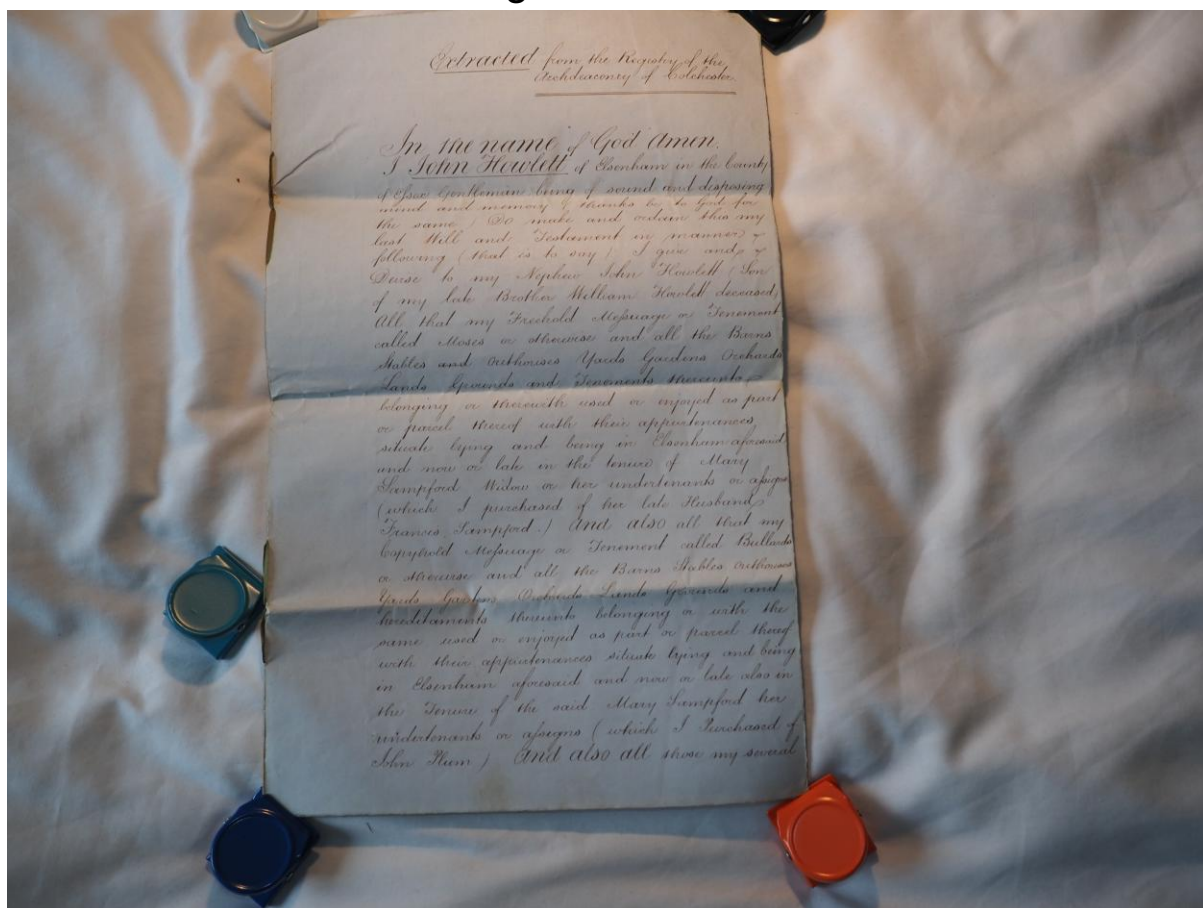
These images can be enlarged to view and read but necessarily this means that horizontal and vertical scrolling is necessary to read the text. Enlargement to 500% (the max) in Microsoft Word and manual enlargement on other devices works. However, the content is well worth the effort !

The amount of effort that went in to the handwritten versions can only be imagined.

There follows a selection



16th January 1761 Extract from the Will of Mr John Howlett later of Elsenham deceased Page 1



16th January 1761 Extract from the Will of Mr John Howlett later of Elsenham deceased Page 2

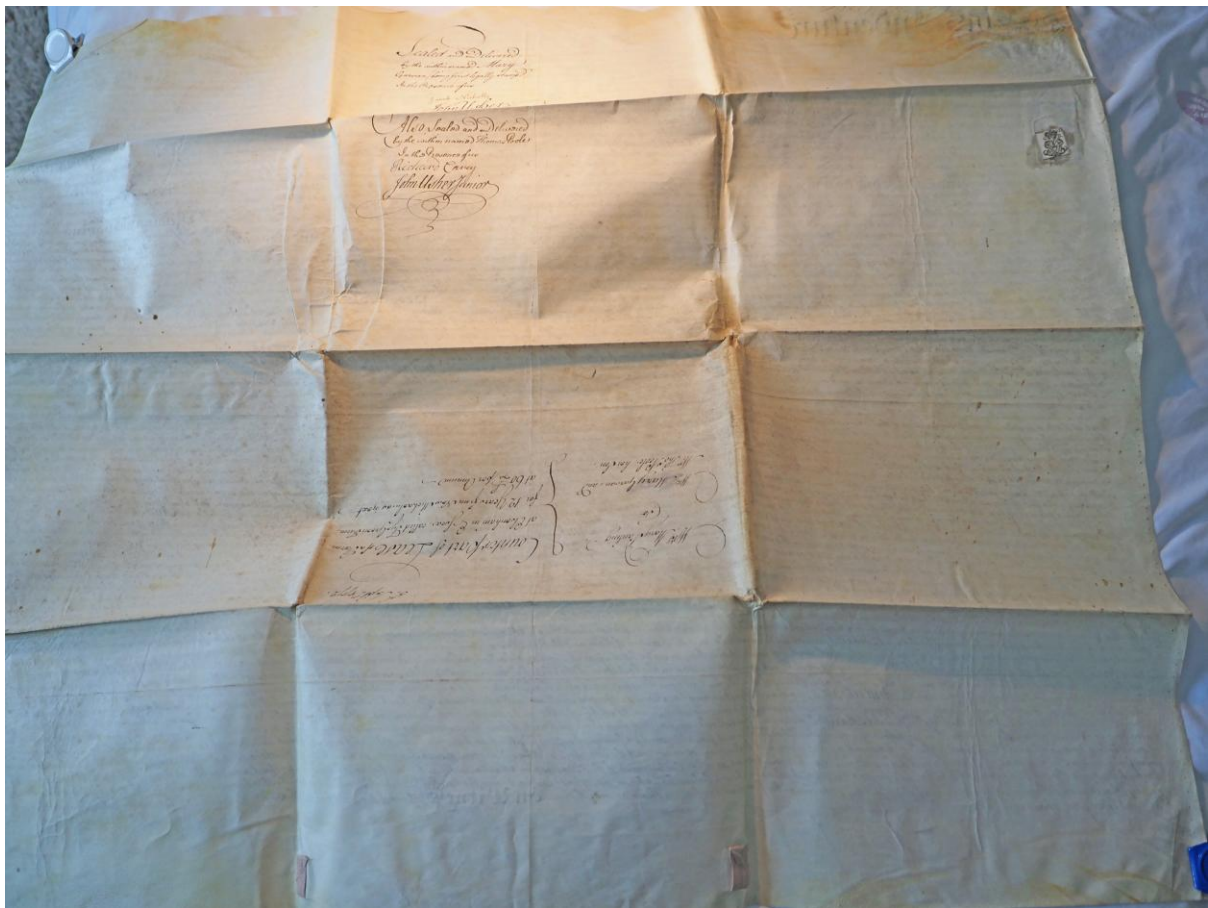
parcels of copyhold land containing altogether
 by estimation between two to the name more
 a life with their appurtenances lying and being
 in Elsenham aforesaid and now or late also
 in the tenure of the said Mary Kempford
 or her assigns (which I purchased of Richard
 Smith) and also all those my several
 other parcels of copyhold land meadow and
 pasture ground containing by estimation a
 fifteen acres be the same more or less with the
 appurtenances lying and being in Elsenham
 aforesaid and now or late also in the tenure
 of the said Mary Kempford or her assigns
 (which I purchased of Clement Hall) All
 which said copyhold tenements I have
 descended to the use of my Will. To
 hold all and any the said Titheld and
 Copyhold premises to my said Nephew
 John Howlett and his assigns for and
 during the Term of his natural life and
 from and after the determination of that
 Estate in his lifetime by forfeiture or
 otherwise I give and devise the same premises
 to and to the use of Thomas Bridge of
 Great Dunmow in the said County of
 Essex gentleman and his heirs during the
 natural of my said Nephew John Howlett
 Upon Trust to preserve the contingent
 Estates hereinafter limited of the same premises
 from being destroyed But nevertheless to permit
 him the said John Howlett and his assigns
 to use the Rents and profits thereof to
 his and their own use during his life And
 from and after his Decease I give and Devise
 All the said Titheld and Copyhold Premises
 To and to the use of the first and only
 Male Son of the Body of my said Nephew
 John Howlett lawfully to be begotten successively
 and according to primity of Birth and to
 the heirs of the Body of every such Son
 respectively and successively lawfully issuing
 the issue of such Sons and the heirs of his
 Body issuing being to take before the younger
 of them and the heirs of his body young
 and for default of such issue I give and
 Devise all the said Titheld and Copyhold
 Premises to and to the use of all my the
 Daughters of my said Nephew John Howlett
 lawfully to be begotten equally to be divided
 between them (In case there shall be more
 than one) Share and Share alike to take
 as Tenants in Common and not as joint
 Tenants and to the heirs of their several
 and respective Bodies And in case any one
 or more of such Daughters shall Die or
 without issue Then I give and devise the
 part or parts of her or them so dying
 without issue To and to the use of the
 others of the said Daughters equally to be
 divided between them (in case there shall
 be more than one such surviving Daughter)
 Share and Share alike as Tenants in Common
 and to the heirs of their several and respective
 Bodies And in case all such Daughters but
 one shall Die without issue or if there

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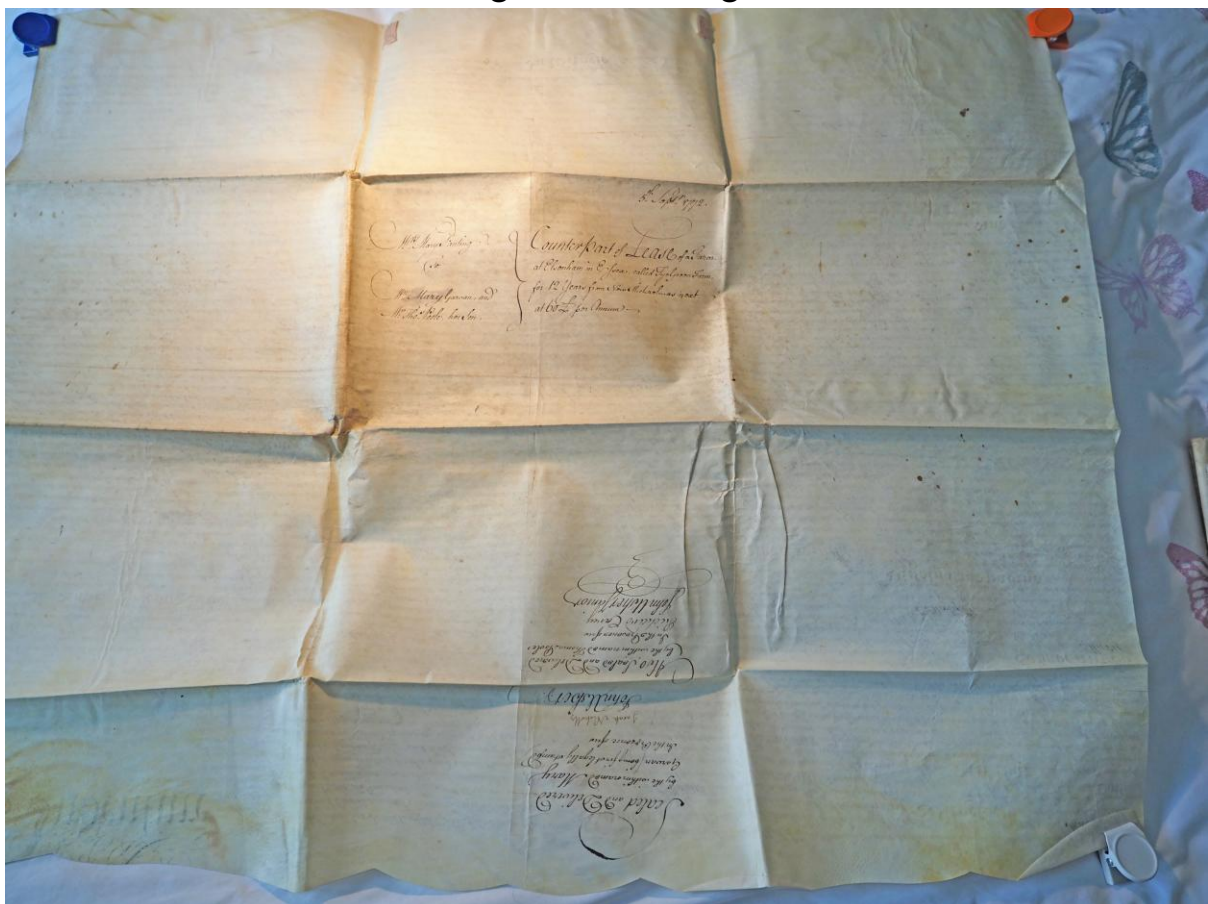
shall be but one such Daughter Then
 I give and Devise all the said Titheld
 and Copyhold premises to and to the
 use of such only Daughter and the heirs
 of her Body And in default of such issue
 I give and Devise all the said Titheld
 and Copyhold premises to my beloved
 John Howlett the younger (Son of
 my cousin John Howlett the Elder of
 Elsenham aforesaid Gentleman) and the
 heirs and assigns of the said John
 Howlett the younger for ever

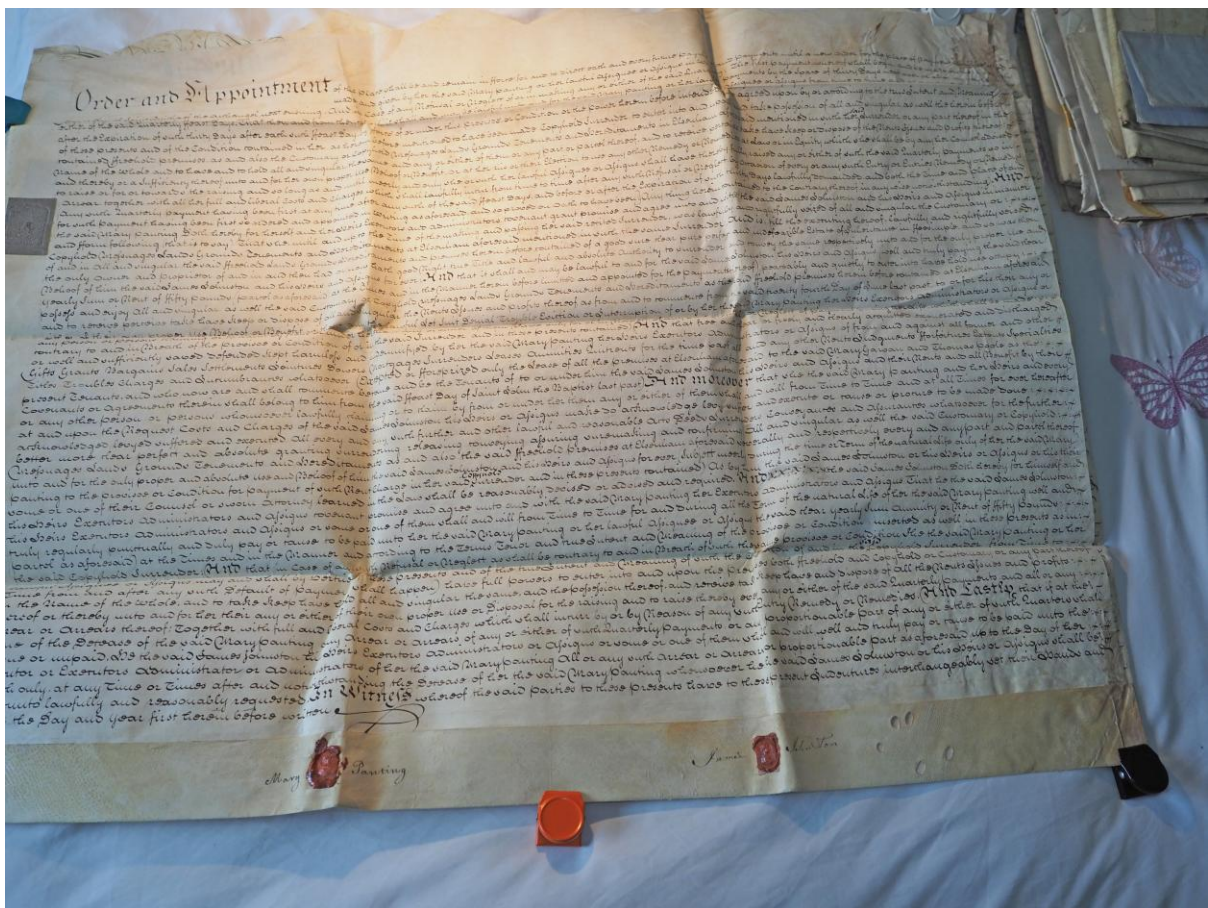
Dated 16th day of January 1761.
 Attested by 3 witnesses.
 Passed on the 28th March 1761 by
 The Right John Canning, Clerk and John
 Mansfield the clerks the Executors, in the
 Ecclesiastical Court of Colchester.

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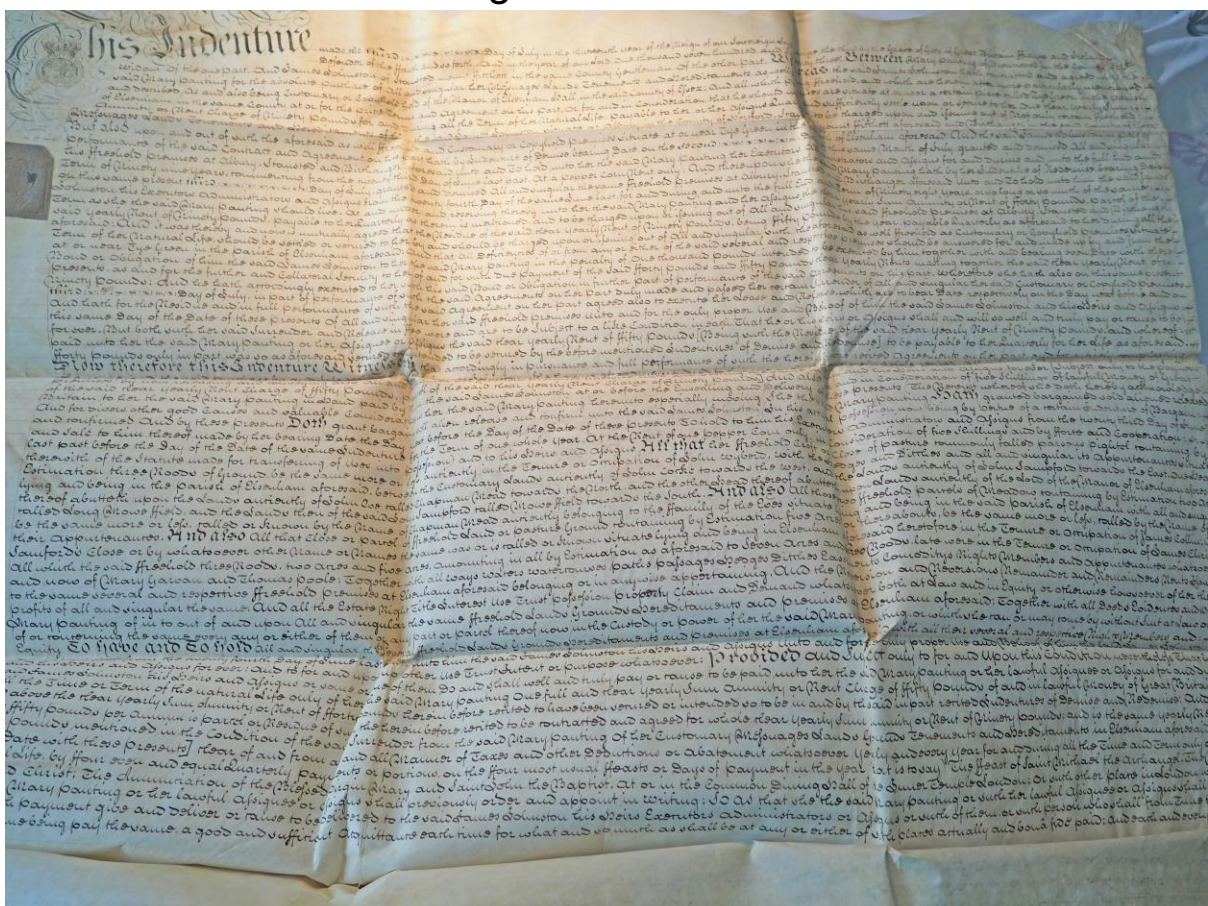


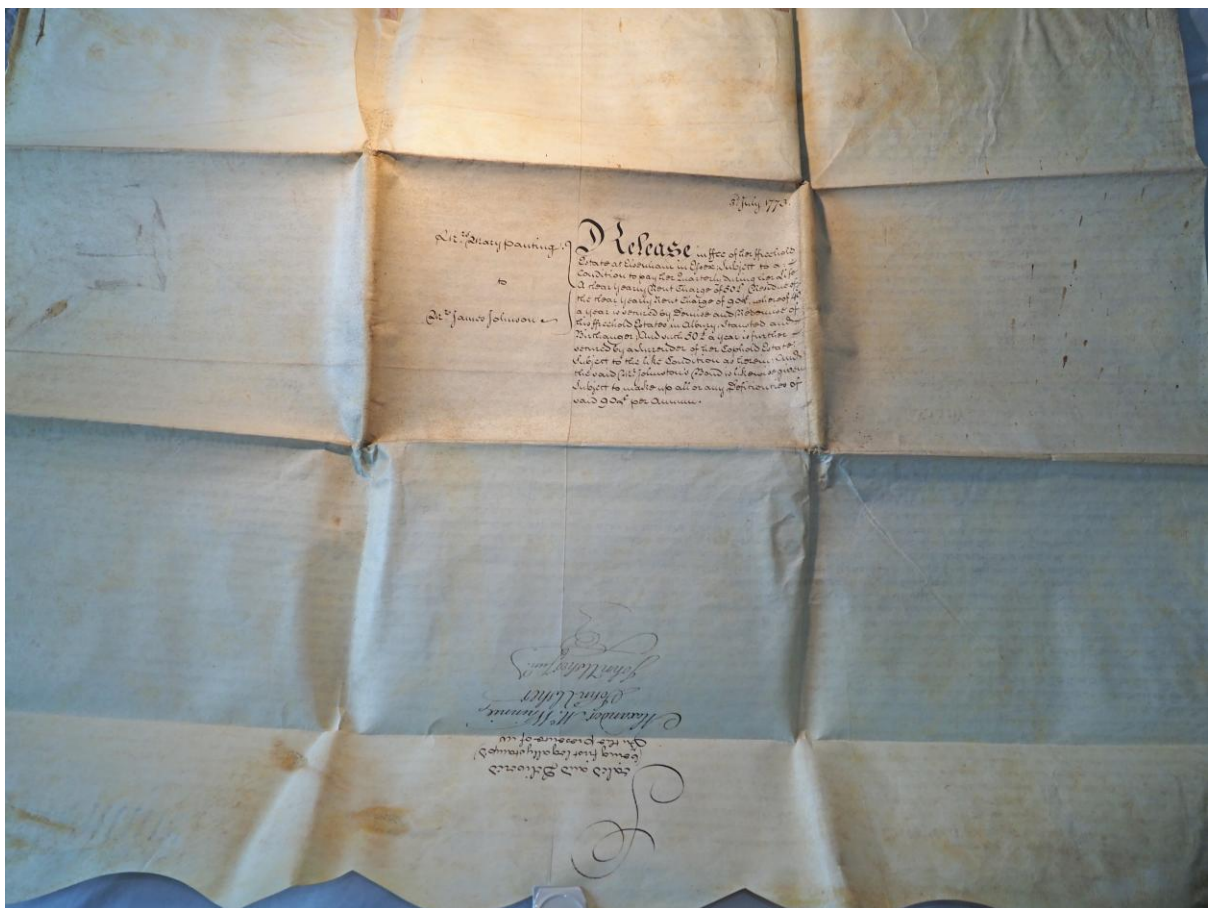
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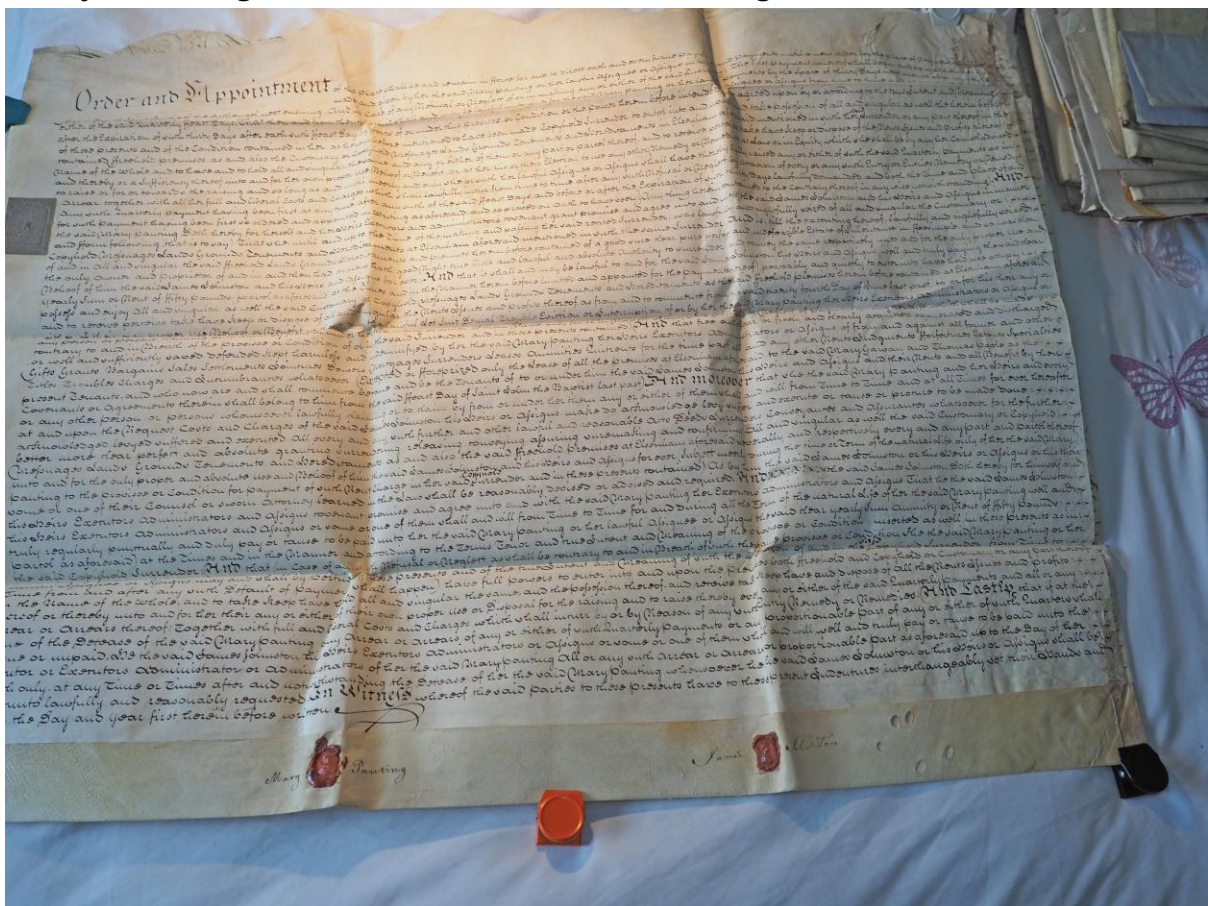


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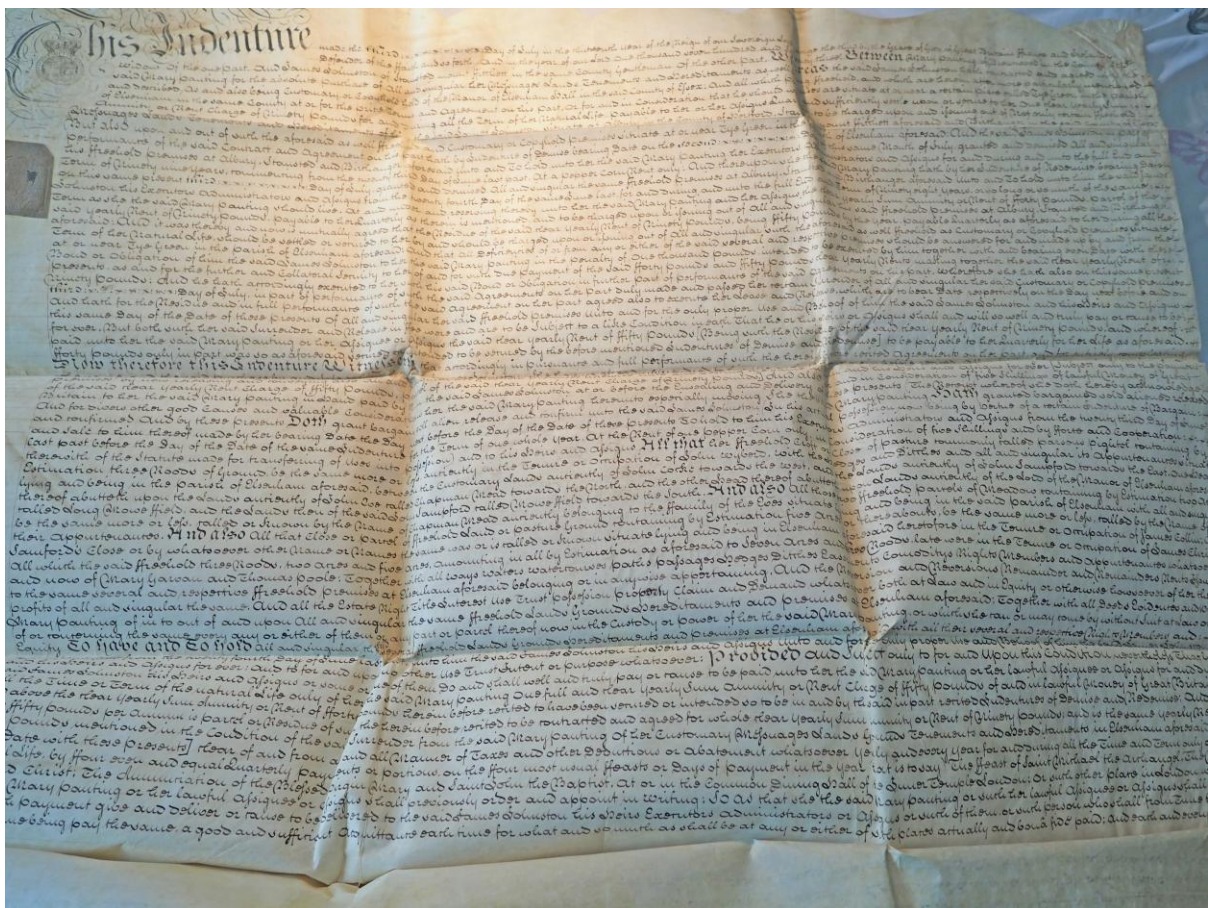




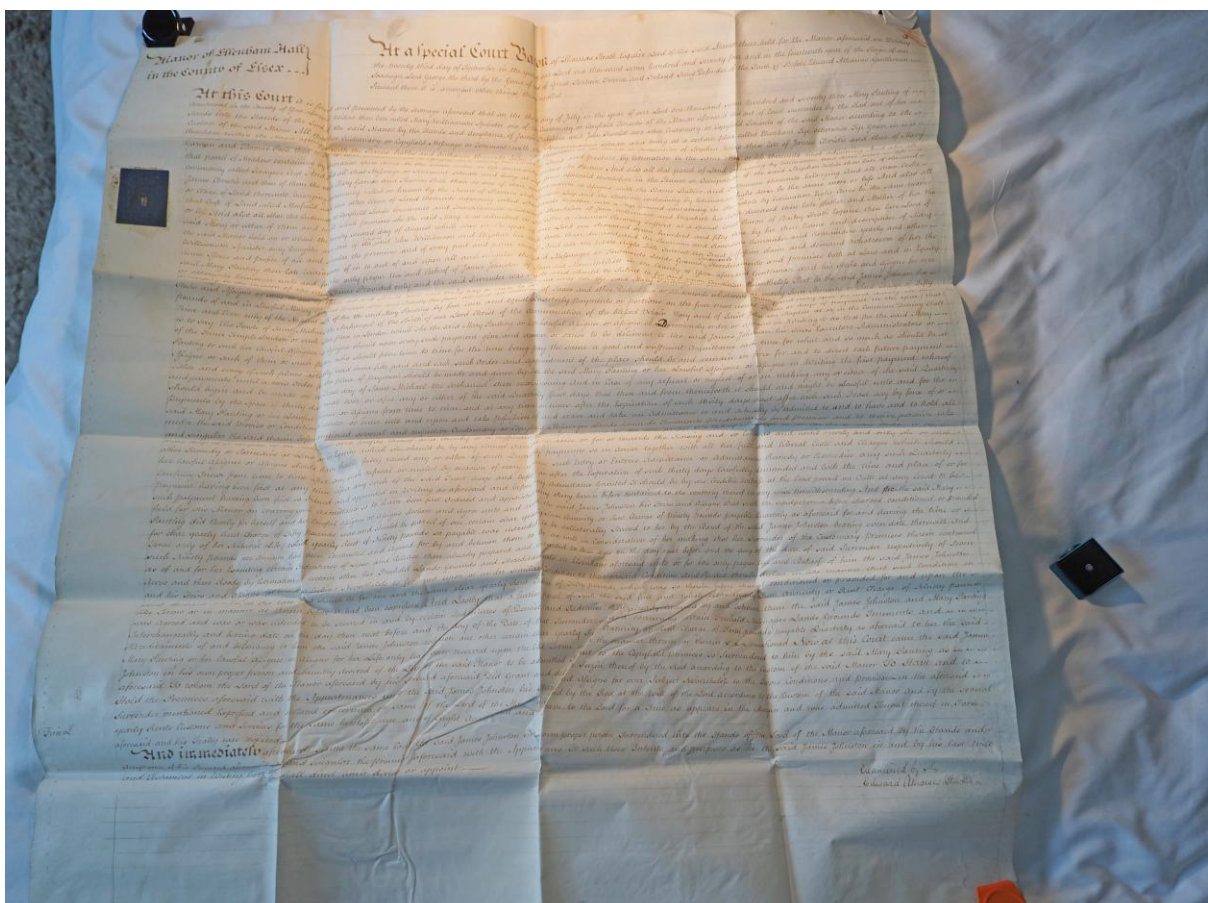
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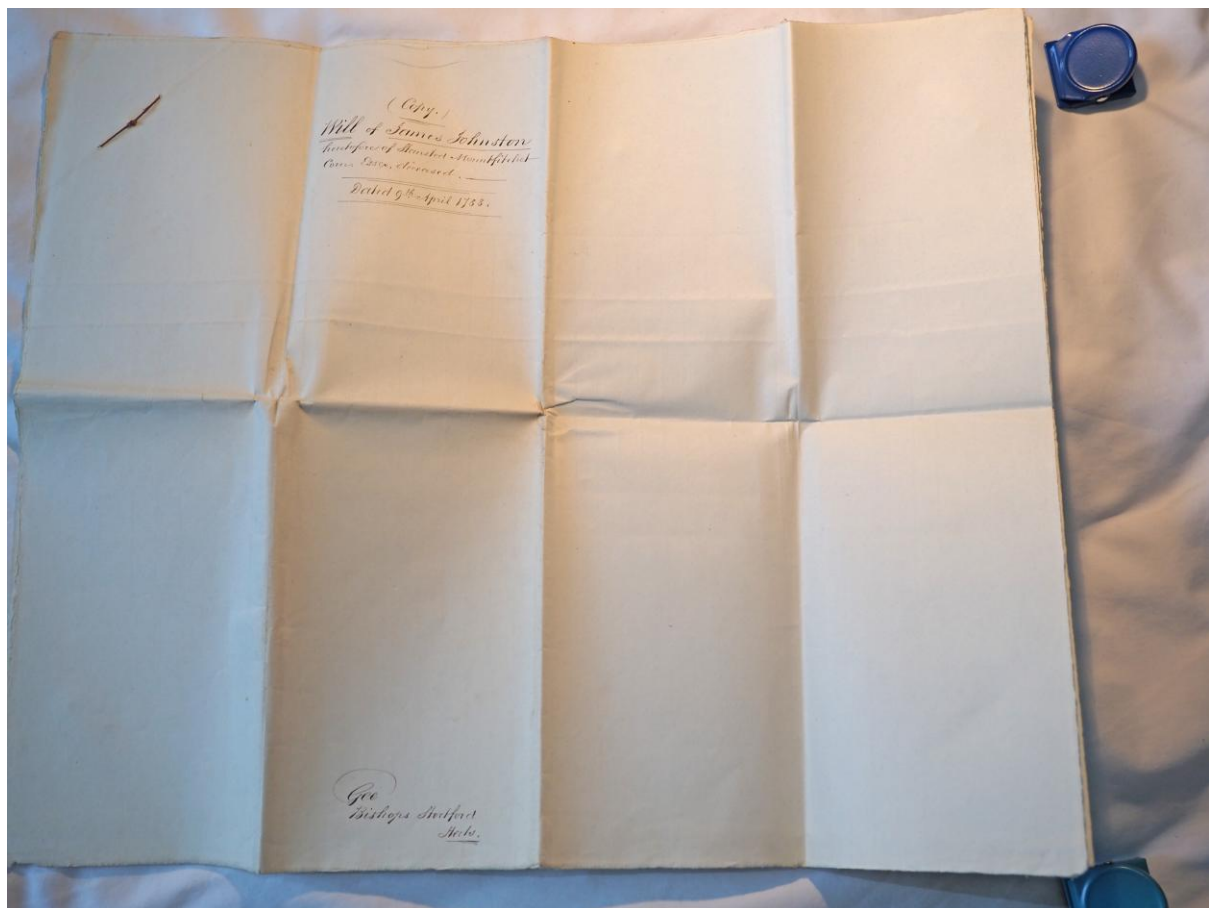
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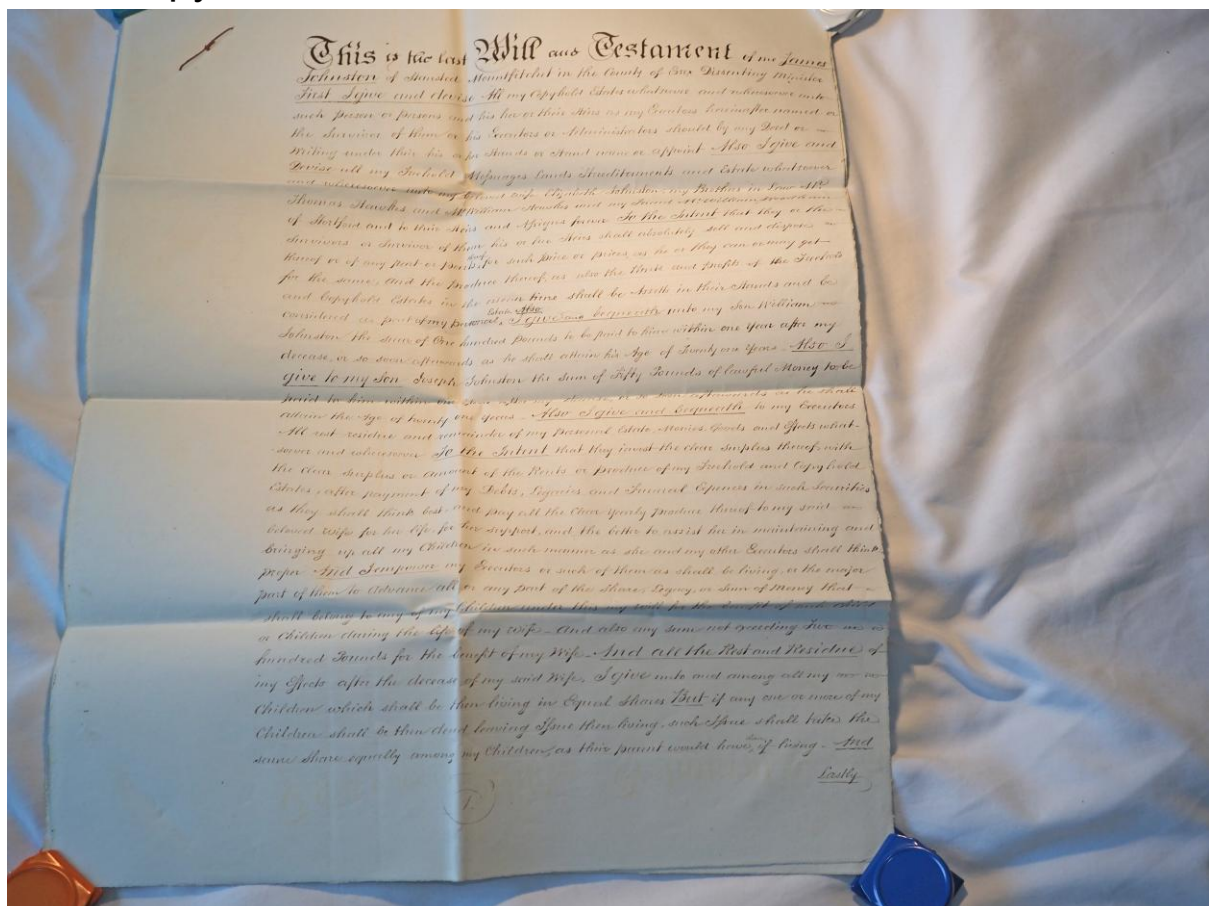
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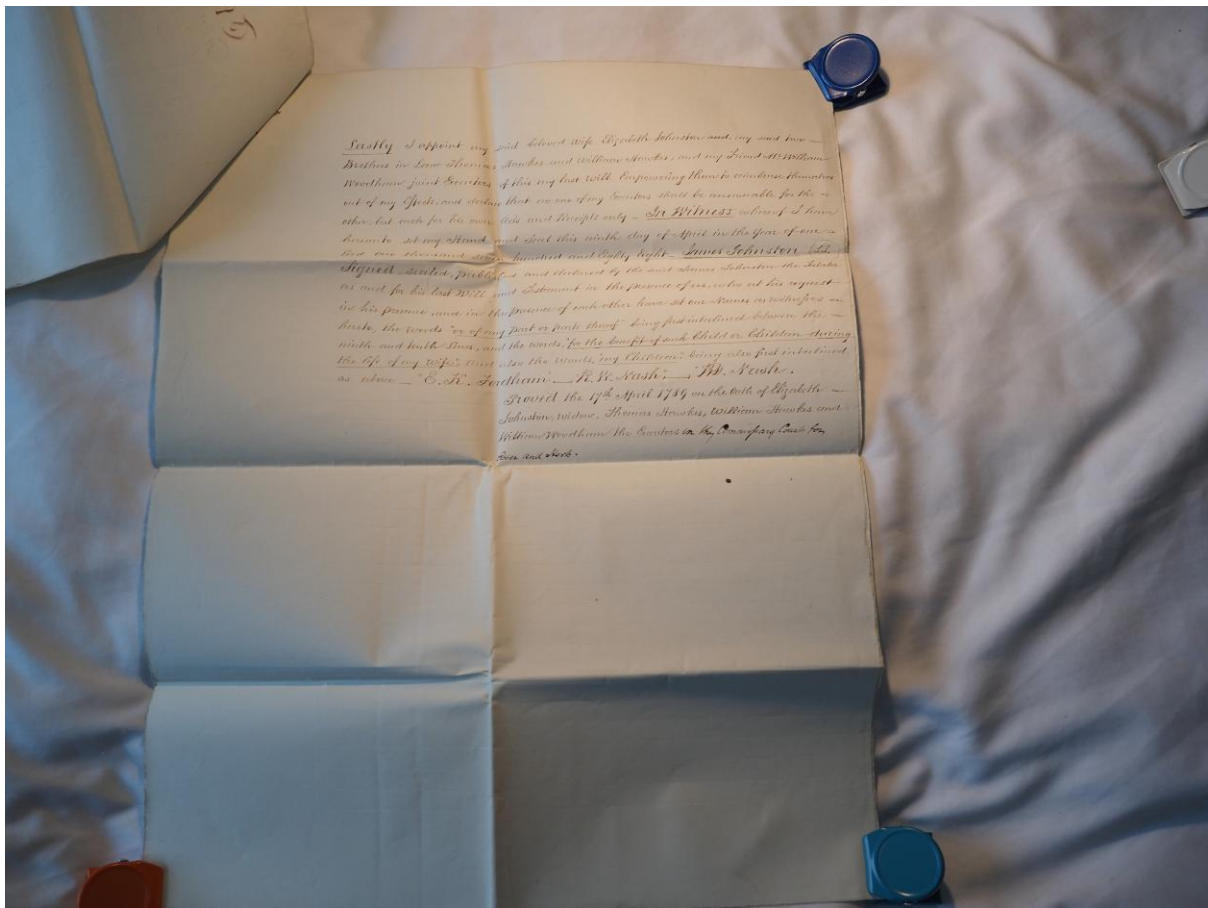
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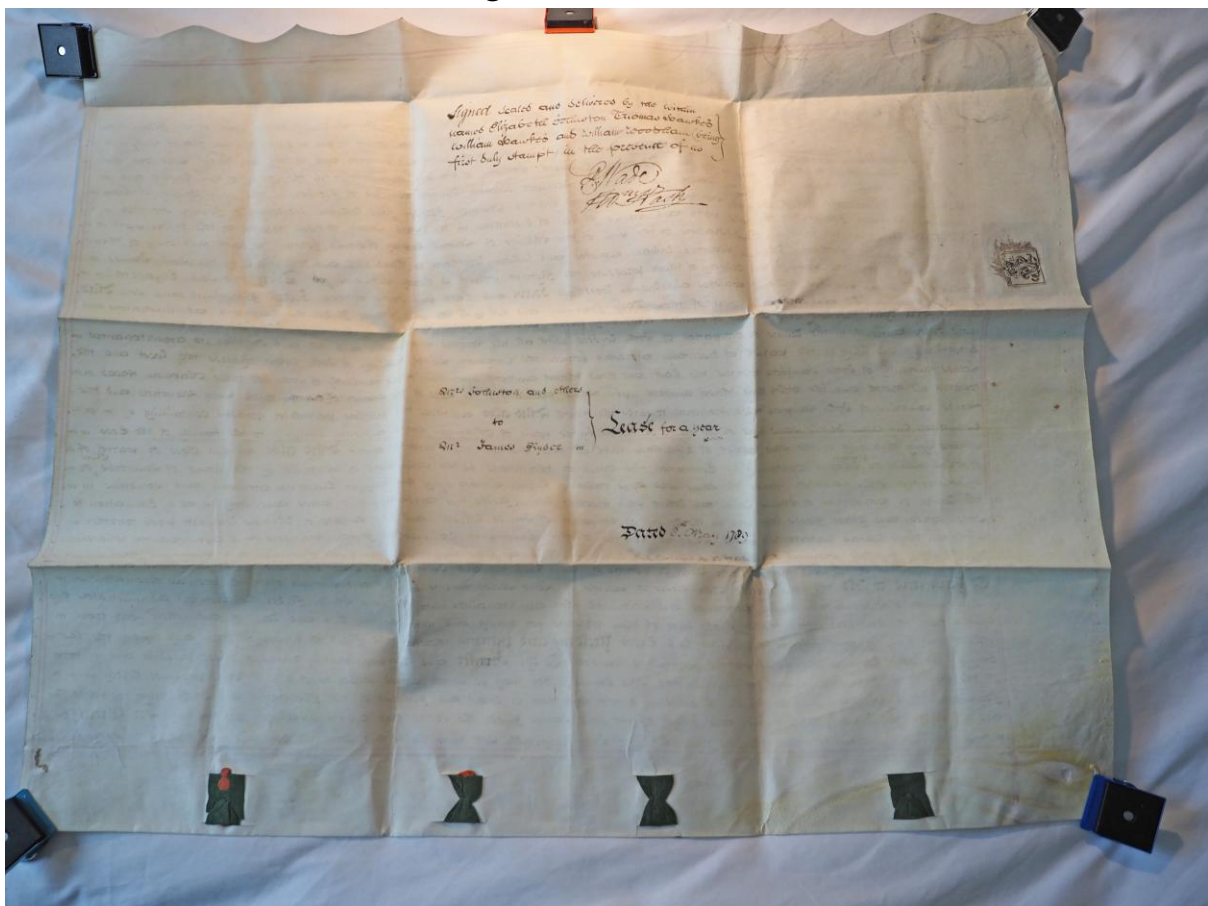
1788 Copy Will of James Johnston of Stansted Mountfitchet



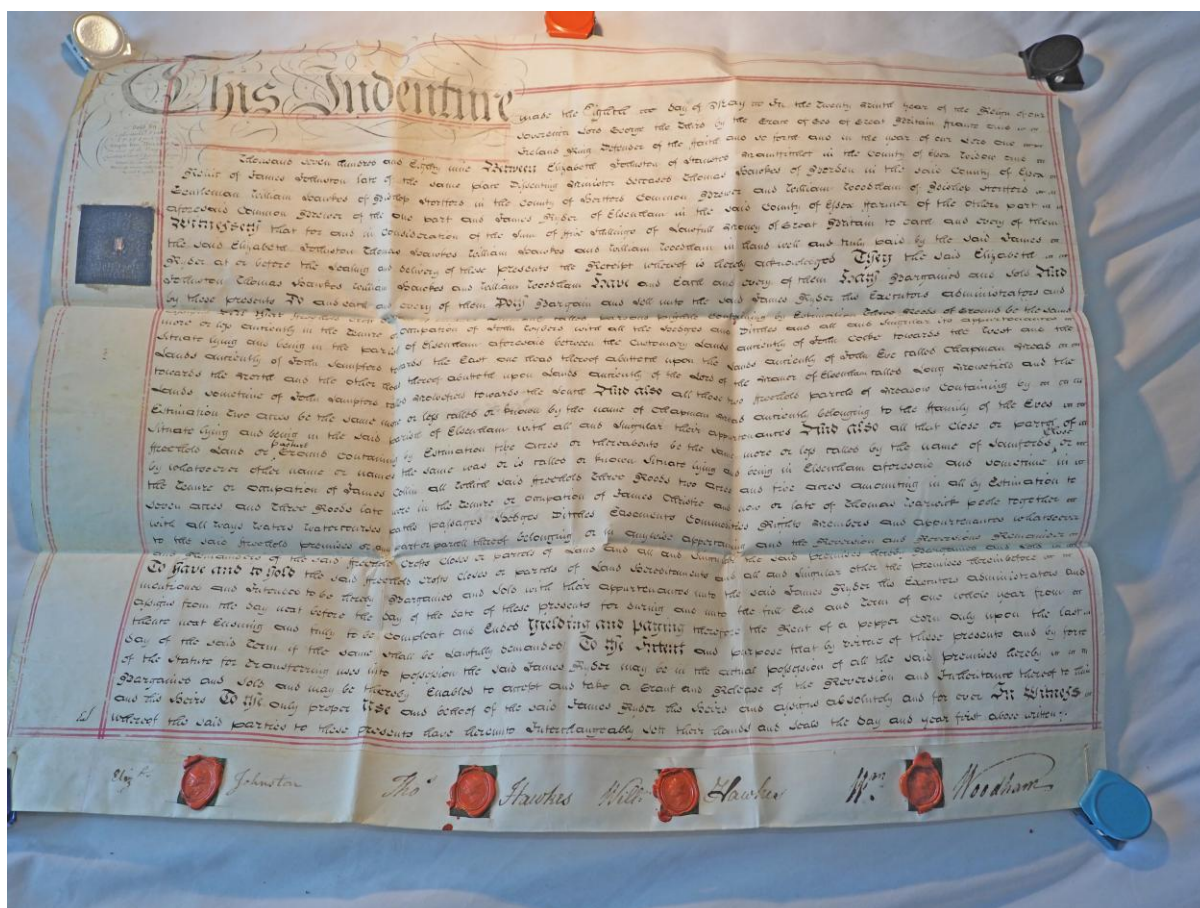
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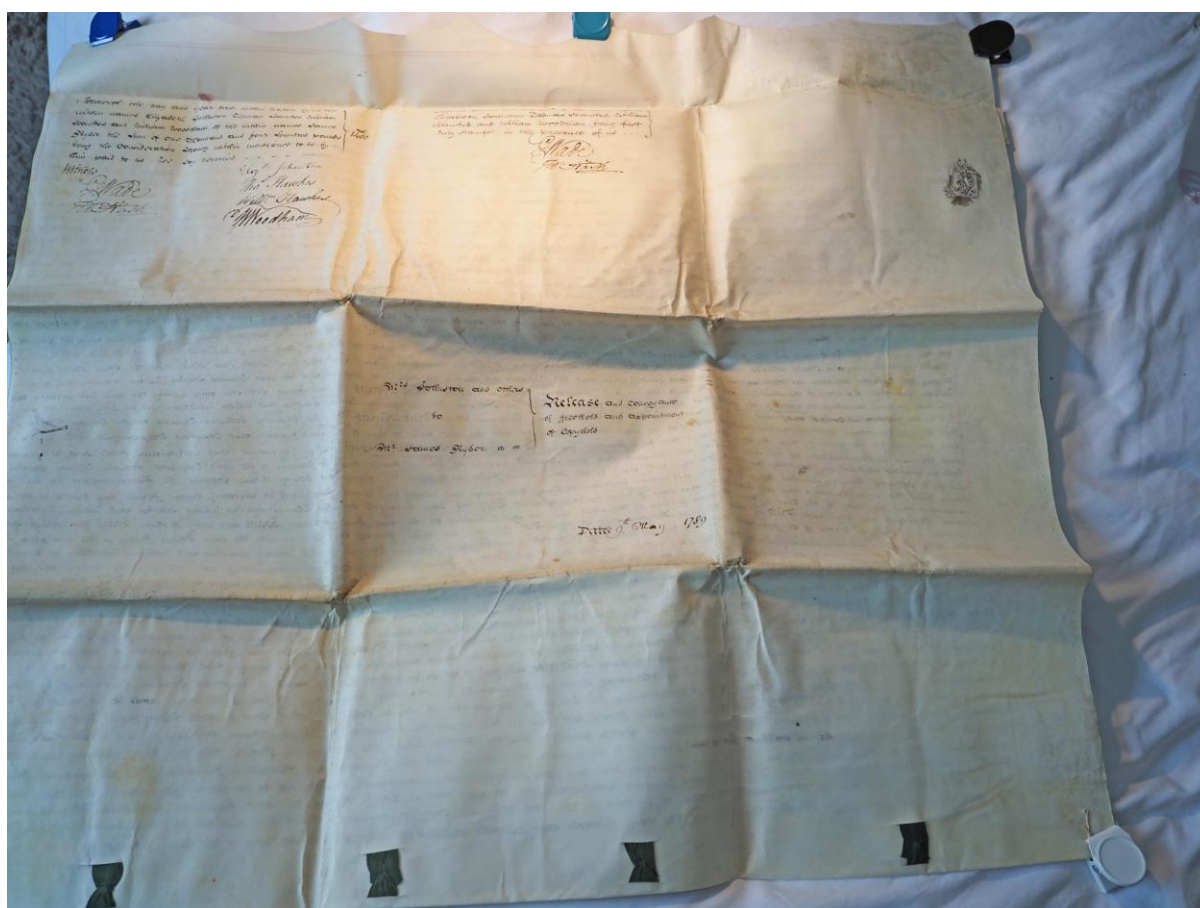
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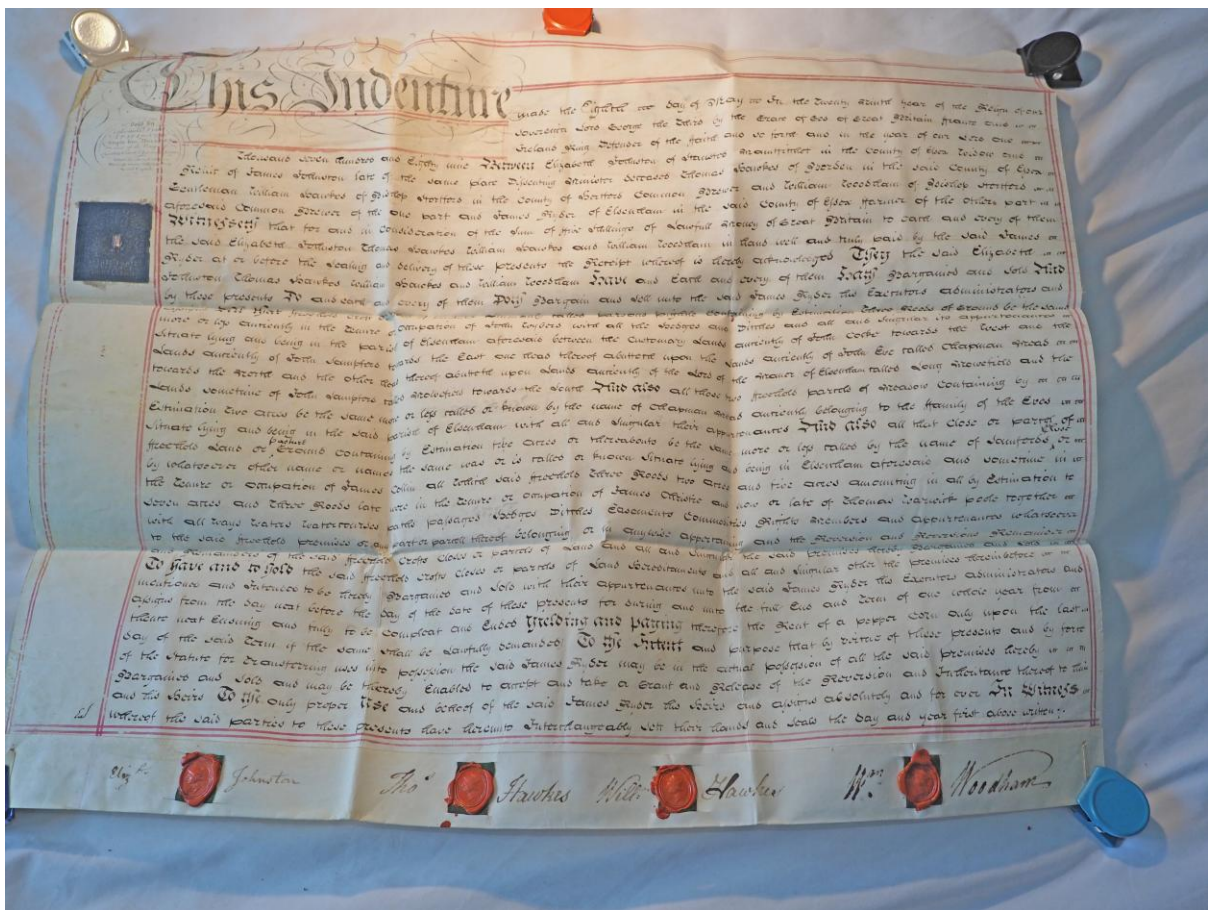
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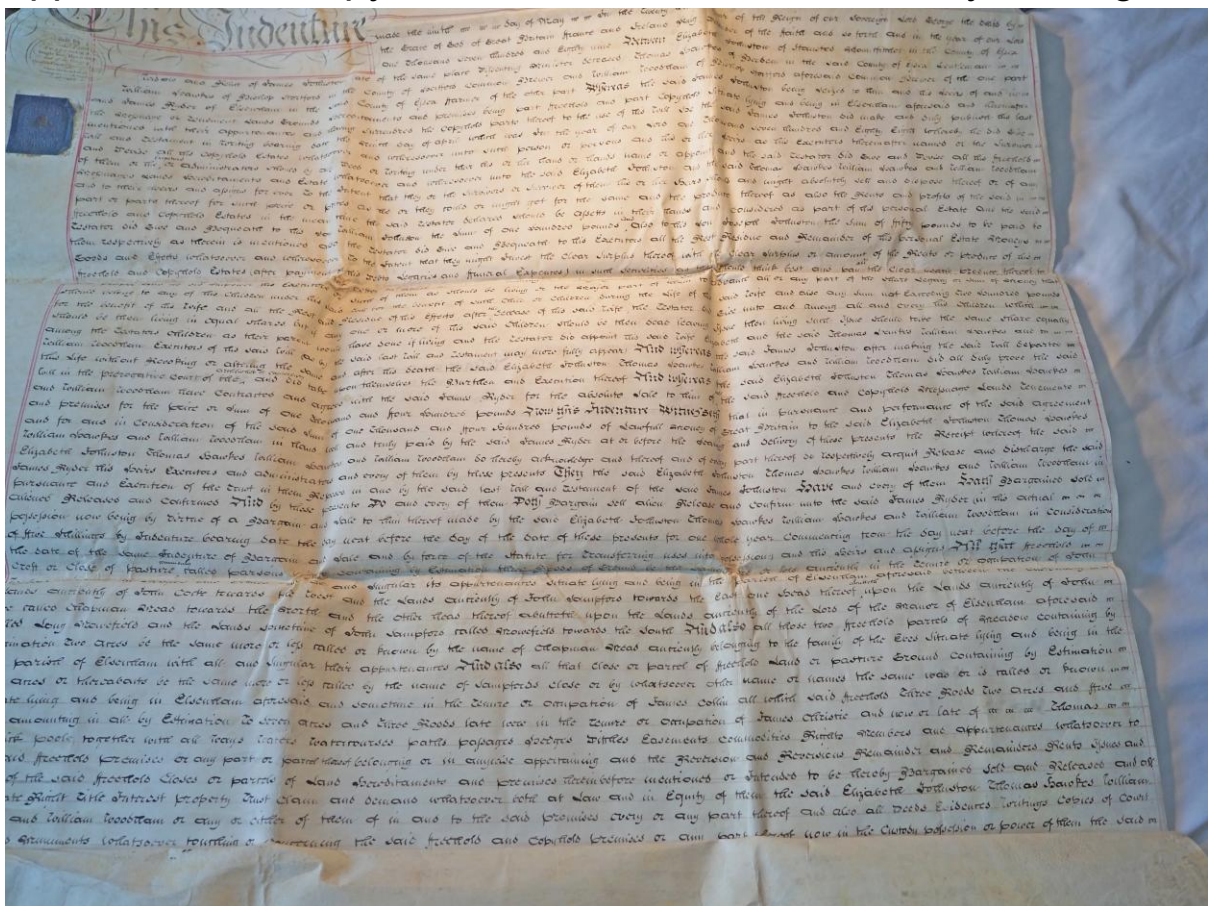
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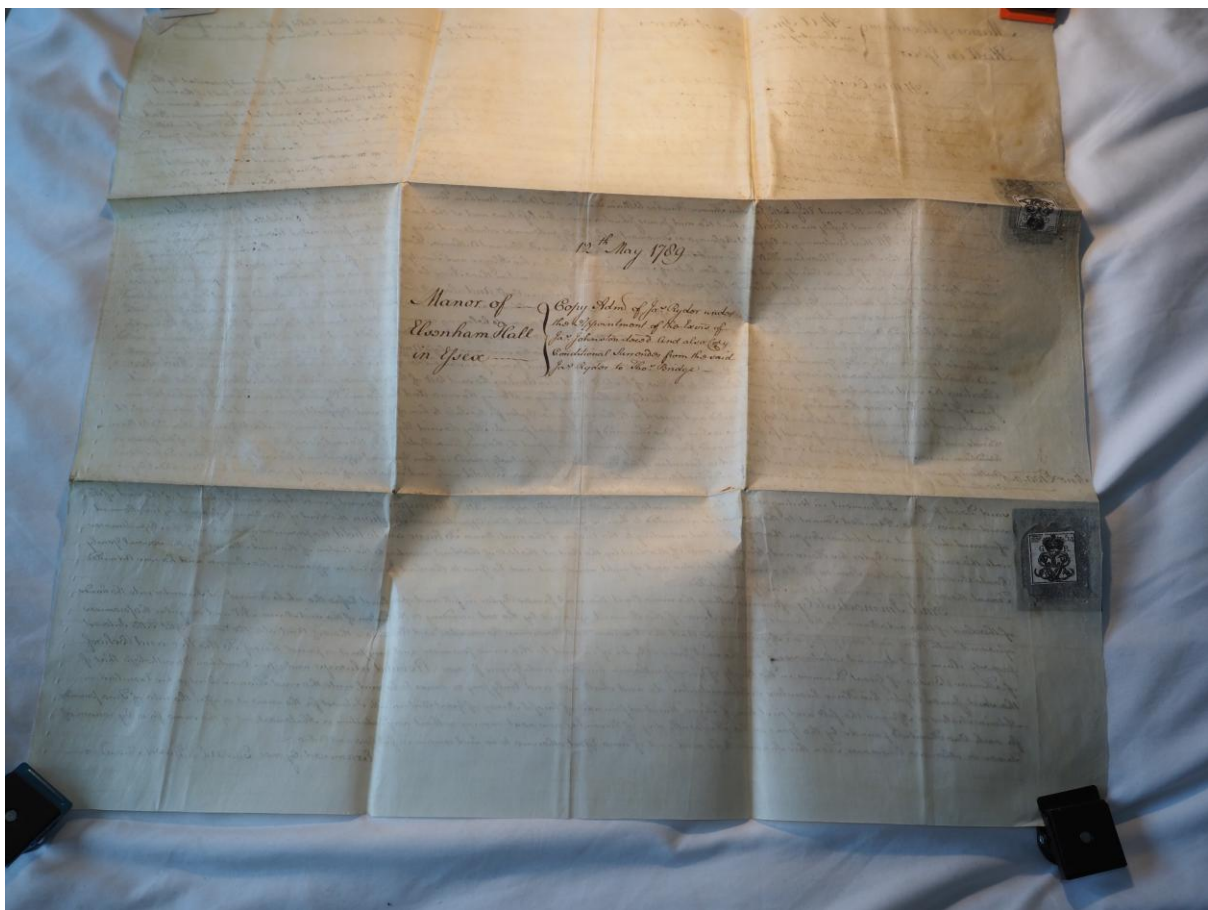
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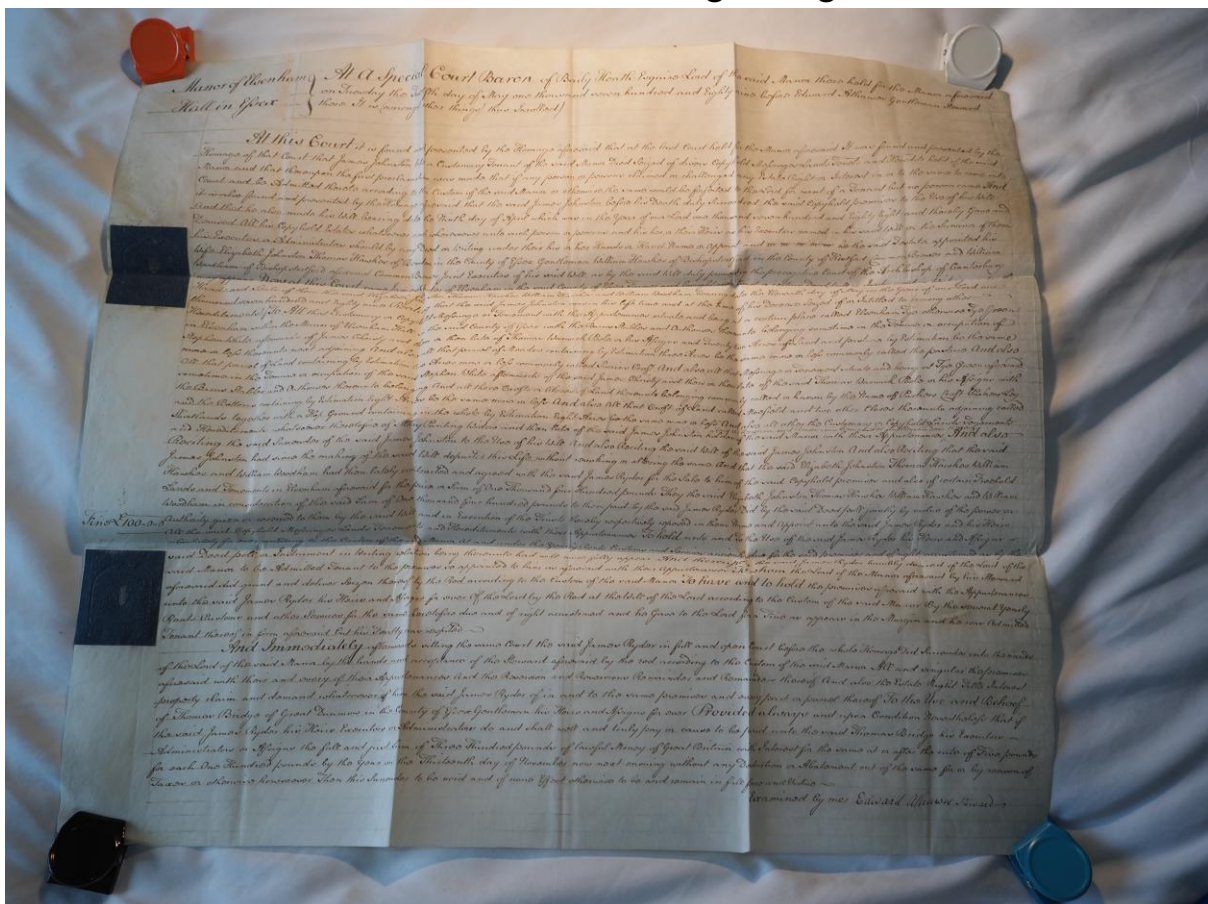
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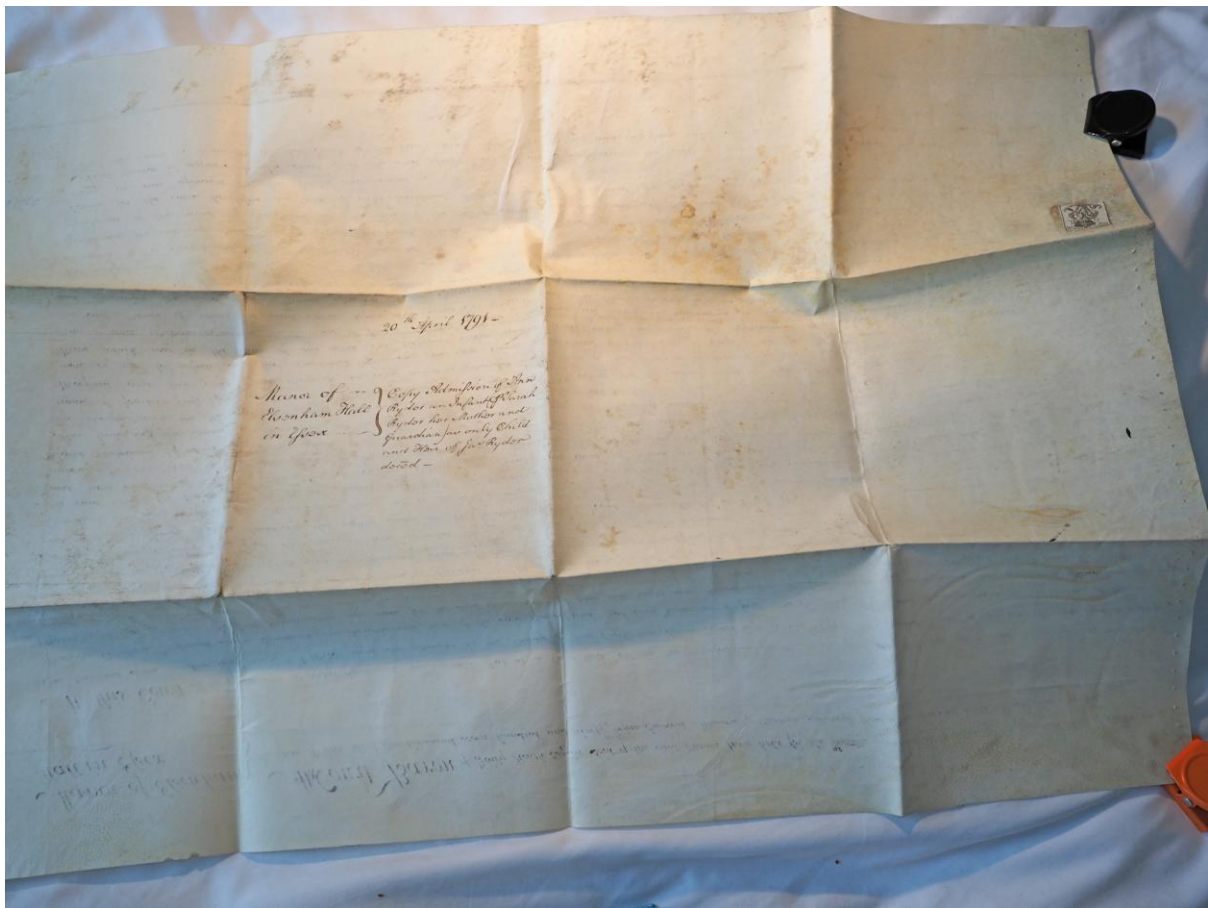




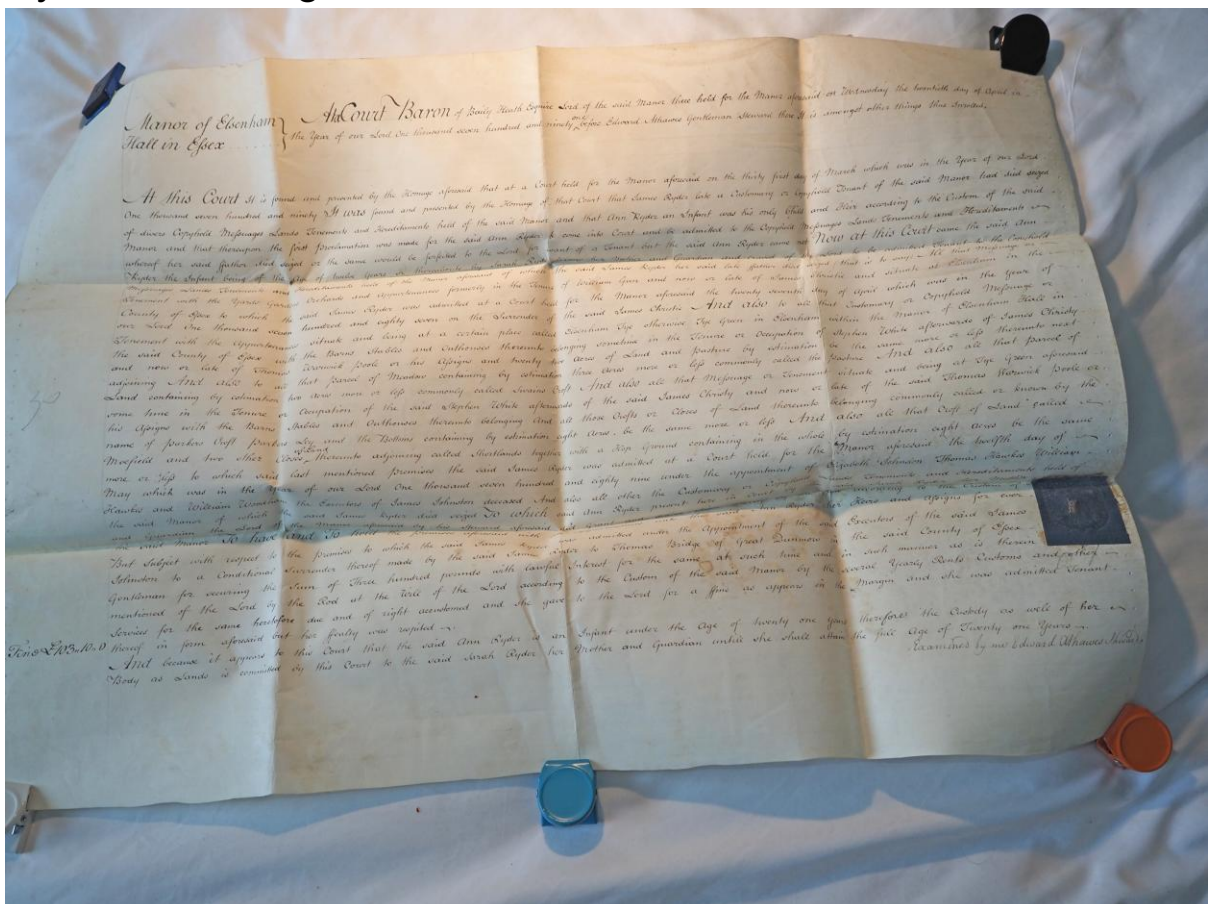
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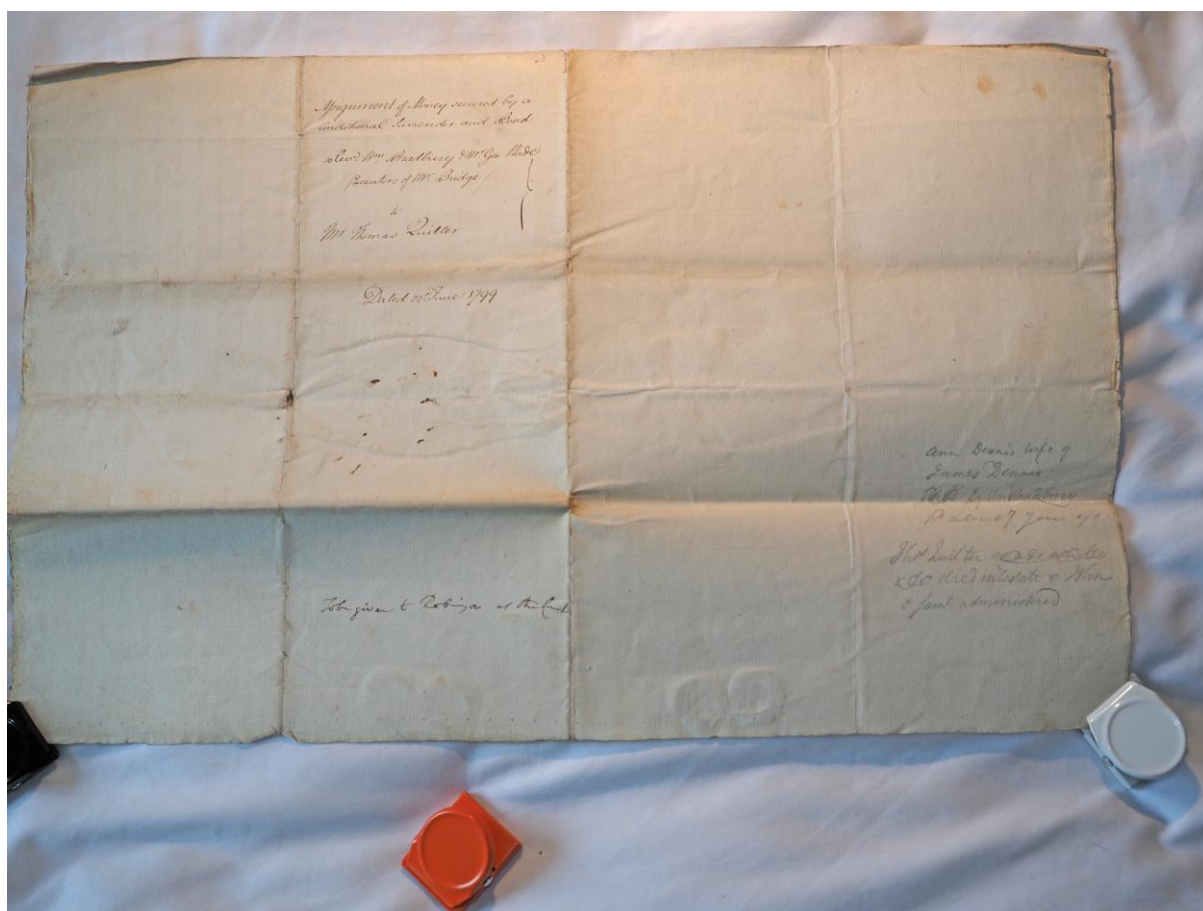


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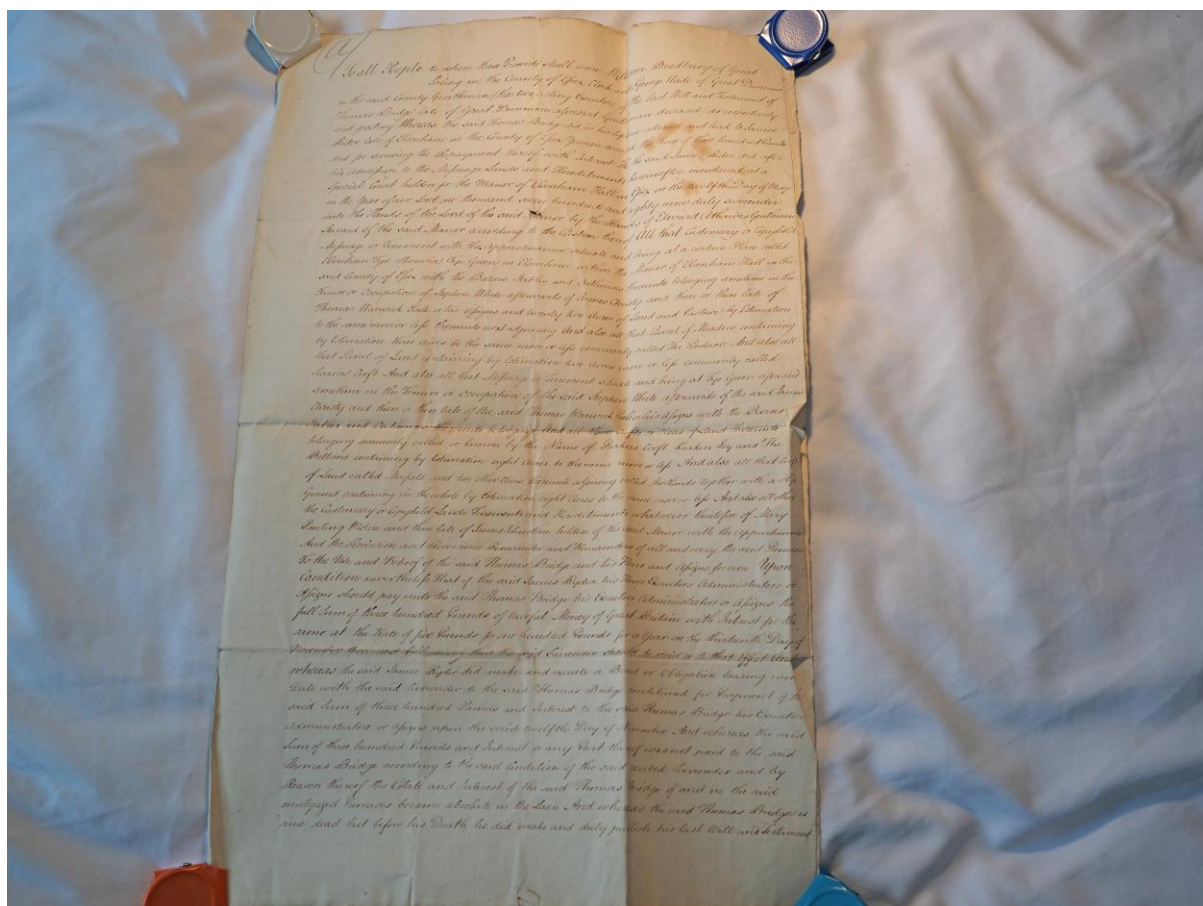


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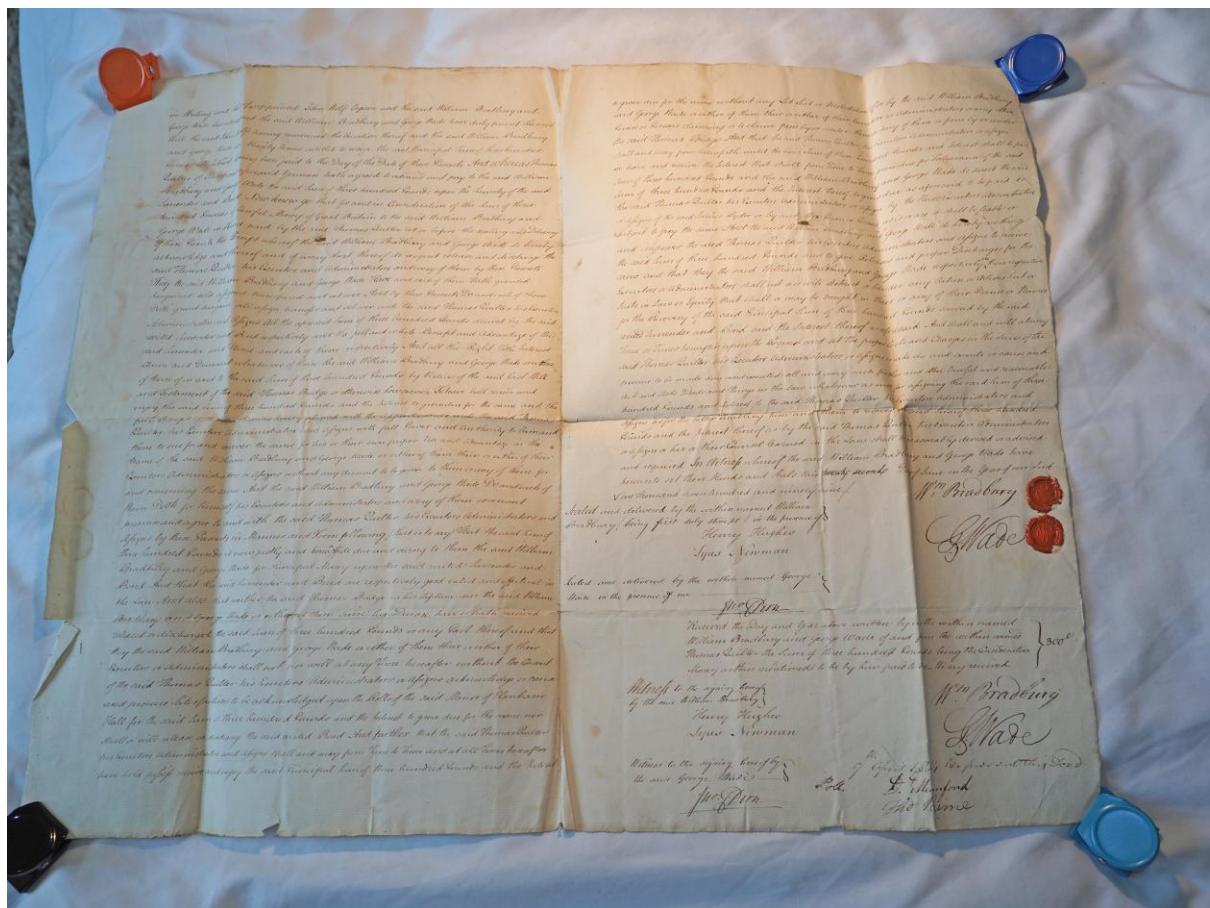




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