SUMMARY: The document below is a petition dating from circa 1601 from Thomas Raynton to Sir Robert Cecil requesting the wardship of the son of John Cave. Cave died 21 November 1601; his will was proved 14 December. See TNA PROB 11/98/483, and *Collectanea Topographica & Genealogica*, Vol. IV, (London: John Bowyer Nichols and Son, 1837), p. 108 at:

http://books.google.ca/books?id=YCcAAAAAQAAJ&pg=PA108&lpg=PA108&dq=%22john+cave%22+%22cutler%22&source=bl&ots=ug8LFihhcd&sig=CccqucEO_-V2mT7qTXo-9cKdHKw&hl=en&sa=X&ei=1_OMU96MA8TdoASM5YLIBQ&ved=0CDIQ6AEwAg#v=onepage&q=%22john%20cave%22%20%22cutler%22&f=false.

Raynton describes himself as formerly a servant of Lord Burghley's, and now the servant of Oxford's youngest daughter, Susan de Vere.

Sir Robert Cecil was appointed Master of the Court of Wards and Liveries on 21 May 1599.

Meekly beseecheth your Honour your humble suppliant, Thomas Raynton, etc., sometime servant unto your right honourable father & now attendant servant to th' honourable Lady Susan Vere, to bestow on him the wardship of the son of one John Cave of Chancery Lane, the lands being of small yearly value, and he will find the office & perform all other things requisite thereabouts at his charges, and daily to pray unto God to preserve your Honour in health & long life.

Endorsed: To the right honourable Sir Robert Cecil, knight, Principal Secretary to the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, Master of the Honourable Court of Wards & Liveries, and one of her Highness' noble Privy Council

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