

SUMMARY: The document below is the copy on the Close Rolls of a recognizance in the amount of £800 acknowledged by Oxford to his receiver-general, Edward Hubberd, on 11 March 1580 in connection with indentures of 2 March 1580 for the sale of the manor of Bentfield Bury. By a fine in the Court of Common Pleas dated 18 April 1580 Oxford transferred clear title to the manor of Bentfield Bury in Essex to Hubberd for £400 (see TNA CP 25/2/131/1677/22ELIZIEASTER, Item 17).

Hubberd had earlier purchased lands in Stansted Mountfitchet from Oxford. For the fine in the Court of Common Pleas dated 20 January 1579 concerning these lands, see TNA CP 25/2/130/1672/21ELIZIHIL, Item 10.

On 17 September 1580, Edward Hubberd was among six men whom Oxford appointed to his council (see ERO D/DRg 2/27).

In 1583, Hubberd's father-in-law, John Southall, purchased Oxford's manors of Stansted Mountfitchet and Burnells. For the fine in the Court of Common Pleas dated 20 January 1583 by which Oxford transferred clear title to these manors to Southall, see TNA CP 25/2/131/1688/25ELIZIHIL, Item 25.

For the will of Edward Hubberd, dated 16 March 1601, see TNA PROB 11/99, ff. 264-7.

LM: Recognizance between the Earl of Oxford and Hubberd

Edward, Earl of Oxford, Great Chamberlain of England, having appeared personally before the Lady Queen in her Chancery, acknowledged himself to owe to Edward Hubberd of Birchanger in the county of Essex, gentleman, eight hundred pounds of good & lawful money of England, to be paid to the same Edward Hubberd or his designated attorney, executors or assigns on the feast of Easter next to come after the date of this recognizance;

And if he shall not have done [+so], he wishes & grants that the said sum of money be levied & recovered of all & singular his manors, lands, tenements, hereditaments, goods & chattels to the use & behoof of the foresaid Edward Hubberd, his heirs, executors & assigns, wheresoever they may be found within the kingdom of England by these presents;

Witness the said Lady Queen at Westminster on the eleventh day of March in the twenty-second year of the reign of our said Lady Elizabeth by the grace of God of England, France & Ireland Queen, Defender of the Faith etc.

The condition of this recognizance is such that if [+the] above-bownden right honourable Edward, Earl of Oxenford, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns and every of them do at all times hereafter and from time to time well and truly observe, perform, fulfil and keep all and every the covenants, grants, articles and agreements which on his and their parts and behalf are and ought to be observed, performed, fulfilled and kept comprised and specified in a certain pair of indentures bearing date the second day of the month of March above-written made between the said Earl of Oxenford on thone party and the above-named Edward Hubberd and Jane, his wife, of thother party according to the tenor, purport, effect and plain meaning of the same indentures, the covenant touching and concerning the delivery of evidences in the same indentures contained only except, then this said recognizance to be utterly void and of none effect, or else to stand in full strength and virtue.

LM: Recognitio inter Oxonie Comitum et Hubberde

1 Edwardus Comes Oxonie magnus Camerarius Anglie coram domina Regina in Cancellaria sua personaliter constitutus

2 recognouit se debere Edwardo Hubberde de Byrchanger in Comitatu Essex Generoso Octingentas libras bone & legalis

3 monete Anglie Soluendas eidem Edwardo Hubberde aut suo certo attornato executoribus vel assignatis suis in ffesto Pasche

4 proxime futuro past datum huius Recognicionis Et nisi fecerit vult & concedit quod predicta pecunie summa leuetur & recuperetur

5 de omnibus & singulis Manerijs terris tenementis hereditamentis bonis & catallis suis ad opus & vsum predicti Edwardi Hubberd

6 heredum executorum & assignatorum suorum vbicumque fuerint inuentis infra Regnum Anglie per presentes Teste dicta domina Regina

7 apud Westmonasterium vndecimo die Marcij Anno regni dicte domine nostre Elizabethhe dei gracia Anglie ffrancie & Hibernie Regine fidei defensoris &c vicesimo secundo