
SUMMARY: The document below is a note dated 19 July 1611 of a letter to the Lord Treasurer directing that the annuity of £200 which had been granted to Henry de Vere (1593-1625), 18th Earl of Oxford, by King James henceforth be paid directly to Henry, and not to his mother, Elizabeth (nee Trentham) de Vere (d.1612), Countess of Oxford, despite the fact that Henry was still under the age of 21. The note appears to be signed by Sir Francis Windebank (bap. 1582, d. 1646), a Clerk of the Signet. At the time the Lord Treasurer was Henry de Vere's uncle, Robert Cecil (1563-1612), 1st Earl of Salisbury. For a letter from the Countess of Oxford to Cecil and Henry Howard (1540-1614), Earl of Northampton, complaining of her son's conduct and the evil influence on him of his second cousin, John Hunt, see TNA SP 14/65/49, ff. 76-9.

A letter to the Lord Treasurer to pay to the Earl of Oxford an annuity of £200 formerly granted to him by his Majesty, & not unto the Countess, his mother, although he be under years, & to receive his acquittance for the same.

Windebank

19 July 1611

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