



Compton Chamberlayne

Articles of Clerkship (UK 1756 – 1874)

The Articles of Clerkship were contracts between an apprentice clerk, who wanted to become an attorney or solicitor, and an attorney who agreed to train the clerk. The contracts were often entered into by fathers (or other sponsors) on their sons' behalf with terms typically lasting 5 – 7 years.

Clerk's Name	Clerk's Mother	Attorney's Name	Filing Date
Charles Penruddocke	Anne Henrietta Penruddocke	Peter Still	13 May 1791

In the Kings Bench

William Grainger Clerk to Messrs Strong and Still of Lincoln Inn in the county of Middlesex, Gentlemen, maketh oath and saith that he was personally present and did see Anne Henrietta Penruduccke of Compton Chamberlayne in the county of Wilts, widow, Charles Penruddocke son of the said Anne Henrietta Penruddocke and Peter Still of Lincoln Inn in the county of Middlesex, Gentleman, an Attorney of his Majesty's Court of Kings Bench duly sign and seal and as their Acts and Deeds deliver certain Articles of Agreement bearing date the Twelfth day of May Instant Whereby the said Peter Still in consideration of three hundred and fifteen pounds to him paid by the said Anne Henrietta Penruduccke did take and Accept the said Charles Penruddocke as his Clerk for the term of five years from the date thereof to serve him in the Office of them the said William Strong and Peter Still And this Deponent further saith that the Names Anne Henrietta Penruddocke, Charles Penruddocke and Peter Still so set and subscribed to the said Articles are of the proper hand writing of them the said Anne Henrietta Penruddocke, Charles Penruddocke and Peter Still respectively.

Sworn at my Chambers

Wm. Grainger

In Serjeants Inn this

12th day of May 1791

Before *N. Grose*