



Sutton Veny

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 Father	Attorney's Name	Filing Date
William Dugdale Thring	Reverend William Davison Thring	Robert Jackson	1 Dec 1838

In the Queen's Bench

John Merryweather of the City of New Sarum in the county of Wilts Gentleman Timothy Goodman of Warminster in the said county of Wilts Gentleman and Oscar Salmon of No. 41 Bedford Row in the county of Middlesex Clerk to Messieurs Taylor Sharpe Field and Jackson of the same place Gentlemen severally make Oath and say that by Indenture of Assignment bearing date the twenty seventh day of November one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight and made between Henry Everett of the City of New Sarum aforesaid Gentleman of the first part The Reverend William Davison Thring of Sutton Veny in the county of Wilts Doctor in Divinity and William Dugdale Thring of Sutton Veny aforesaid Gentleman Son of the said William Davison Thring of the second part and Robert Jackson of Number 41 Bedford Row in the county of Middlesex Gentleman of the third part. After reciting that by Articles of Clerkship bearing date the twelfth day of October one thousand eight hundred and thirty five the said William Dugdale Thring with the consent and approbation of his said Father did put himself as a Clerk to the said Henry Everett to learn the Profession of a Solicitor and an Attorney for the term of five years. And reciting that the said William Dugdale Thring by virtue of the said Articles served the said Henry Everett from the date thereof till the Twenty seventh day of November one thousand and eight hundred and thirty eight. And reciting that the said Henry Everett at the request of the said William Davison Thring and William Dugdale Thring had agreed to assign over the said Articles of Clerkship to the said Robert Jackson who had agreed to accept such Assignment. It is witnessed that for the Considerations in the said Indenture of Assignment mentioned the said Henry Everett at the request of the said William Davison Thring and William Dugdale Thring testified as therein mentioned did assign

transfer and set over unto the said Rebert Jackson. The said in part recited Articles of Clerkship and the Services of the said William Dugdale Thring under the same for the residue then to some of the said term of five years. And the Deponent the said John Merryweather for himself maketh Oath and saith that the said Indenture of Assignment was in due form of law executable by the aid Henry Everett on the twenty seventh day of this Instant Month of November. And that the name "Henry Everett" set and subscribed to the said Indenture of Assignment is of the proper Handwriting of the said Henry Everett and was written and subscribed in the presence of this Deponent and Charles Marsh Lee of the City of New Sarum aforesaid Gentleman and that the Names "J. Merryweather" and "Chas. Marsh Lee" set and subscribed as witnesses to the due execution of the said Indenture of Assignment by the said Henry Everett are of the proper Hand writing of this Deponent the said John Merryweather nad of the said Charles Marsh Lee.

And the Deponent the said Timothy Goodman for himself maketh Oath and saith that the said Indenture of Assignment was in due form of Law executed by the said William Davison Thring on the twenty ninth day of this instant Month of November And that the Name "W. D. Thring" set and subscribed to the said Indenture of Assignment is of the proper Handwriting of the said William Davison Thring and was written and subscribed in the presence of this Deponent and of George Wilkins of Warminster aforesaid Gentleman. And that the Names "Tim Goodman" and "George Wilkins" set and subscribed as Witnesses to the due Execution of the said Indenture of Assignment by the said William Davison Thring are of the proper Handwriting of this Deponent the said Timothy Goodman and of the said George Wilkins.

And the Deponent the said Oscar Salmon for himself maketh Oath and saith that the said Indenture of Assignment was in due form of law executed by the said William Dugdale Thring and Robert Jackson on the first day of this Instant Month of December 1838. And that the Names "W Dugdale Thring" and Robt. Jackson set and subscribed to the said Indenture of Assignment are of respective proper handwriting of the said William Dugdale Thring and Robert Jackson and were written and subscribed in the presence of this Deponent and of Joseph Woodham of No. 41 Bedford Row, London Gentleman. And that the names Oscar Salmon and Joseph Woodham set and subscribed as witnesses to the due execution of the said Indenture of Assignment by the said William Dugdale Thring and Robert Jackson are of the proper Handwriting of this Deponent the said Oscar Salmon and of the said Joseph Woodham.

Sworn by the Deponent the said

John Merryweather at the City of

New Sarum in the county of Wilts the

J. Merryweather

Twenty seventh day of November one

Tim Goodman

Thousand eight hundred and thirty

O. Salmon

Eight before me