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Summary Information

Repository	University of Pennsylvania: Kislak Center for Special Collections, Rare Books and Manuscripts
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Call number	Ms. Coll. 910
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Abstract	<p>This collection contains 52 assorted English legal documents. Most are brief transactional records attesting to land sales, contracts, or estate settlements. Though mostly unrelated, there are a few small groups of connected documents, such as the five certificates of payment by Captain Roger Martin to various parties executed during December 1685. Beyond these transactional documents are a 1679 record of arguments before the Privy Council as well as a 1770 warrant for the arrest of Nicholas Gwyn, an Ipswich medical doctor.</p>

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Controlled Access Headings

FORM/GENRE(S)

- Deeds
- Estate inventories
- Leases
- Legal documents
- Manuscripts, English--17th century
- Manuscripts, English--18th century

- Manuscripts, English--19th century
- Seals (artifacts)

GEOGRAPHIC NAME(S)

- Great Britain--History

PERSONAL NAME(S)

- Gwyn, Nicholas, Dr., died 1798
- Martin, Roger, Captain, died 1687

SUBJECT(S)

- England and Wales. Privy Council.
- Real property--England--Early works to 1800

Collection Inventory

DATED DOCUMENTS, 1679-1688.

	Box	Folder
Indenture between Robert Tylden and Bartholomew Hamden involving a plot of land in Kent, 1623 November 3.	1	1
Edward Ashe and John Moore. Transaction involving sale of lead. London, 1655 April 24.	1	2
Document wrapper noting that the enclosed deals with lands bought by John Lowe from William Bixby [enclosure not present], 1659 April 30.	1	3
William Howes gives up right to a house in Kingstone (Wiltshire] Small seal of Howes with witnesses including the wife of Anthony Mundy who signs with a mark, 1661 October 19.	1	4
Acknowledgment of receipt of payment by Samuel of New Windsor (Berkshire) to Reginald and Jane Horne . With signature of Reginald and mark of Jane, 1665 July 6.	1	5
Receipt for money paid by John Clay to Thomas Gibbons in completion of a mortgage against two parcels of land in Essex, 1675 July 24.	1	6
Edward Lyde, a joyner notes receipt of payment from Richard Winter of Oxfordshire. With small seal of Lyde., 1678 May 10.	1	7
Edward Noyes et al. Petitioners vs. William Wimbleton et al. Respondents. Hearing on the Andover corporation dispute at the Privy Council, 1679 September 29.	1	8

“The apprasymment of the goods of a Mr. Pratt by Matthew Podder and Francis Stylman..” Valued all together at 19.8.7, 1681 August 16.	1	9
A further inventory of household goods of Mr. Pratt, 1681 September 3.	1	9
Certificate of payment by Capt. Roger Martin to Henry Paramore. With signatures and seals, at Kent, 1685 December 22.	1	10
Certificate of payment by Capt. Roger Martin to Richard and John Pettit. With signatures and seals, at Kent, 1685 December 22.	1	10
Certificate of payment by Capt. Roger Martin to John and Sarah Bennett. With seals of the Bennetts and signatures, at Kent, 1685 December 22.	1	10
Certificate of payment by Capt. Roger Martin to Katharine Stephens. With her mark and other signatures, at Kent, 1685 December 22.	1	10
Certificate of payment by Capt. Roger Martin to Edward Taylor. Signatures and seals of parties, at Kent, 1685 December 23.	1	10
Certificate of payment by Sarah Driver to Nicholas Hamby. Signatures, seals and marks of parties, 1686 June 18.	1	11
Transaction between Bartholomew Hester and Edward Bradford in Oxfordshire.Signed and sealed, 1688 June 17.	1	12
Henry Wheeler of Cranford to his brother in law. Agreement to give forty pounds, 1688 November 12.	1	13
Agreement between Jeremiah Geary of London, joyner and Daniel Geary of Chesham, Berkshire, Master - transferring land in Berkshire from Jeremiah to Daniel., 1690 February 28.	1	14
Rent agreement between George Gold and the Duke of Norfolk. Signed by George Gold and witnessed with the mark of George Gold sr., 1692 March 23.	1	15

Document relating to a dispute between the town of Andover and William Drake and others over the manor of Ramridge and revenues. In Latin, 1694 September 4.	1	16
Defendants' plea in a dispute in the Norfolk Assizes including a history of title for a local property. Case of Francis Bransbury v. Thomas Hinde, 1695 July 15.	1	17
Copy made in 1746 of an indenture conveying land in Rye, 1698 March 5.	1	18
Disbursement from the estate of John Bydes, Hertford to Sarah Halfhead of Essex. With original signatures, 1708 June 3.	1	19
Rent agreement for a house in Thames st. and Garlick Hill in the parish of St. James Garlickhythe between Henry Wood Sr., lighterman and Thomas Wickham citizen and distiller of London., 1713 September.	1	20
Work contract signed by two men [perhaps in Durham], 1714 May 26.	1	21
Mortgage signed by John Wright involving Dr. Jonathan Law, 1718 October 9.	1	22
Excerpt from the will of Thomas Bond relating to his children's portions of the estate, 1727 April 12.	1	23
Certificate that the Book of Common Prayer had been read by Charles Gale rector of Barningham, 1729 April 20.	1	24
Copy of an enumeration of lands given into the hands of the manor of Wheathampstead, 1729 May 28.	1	25
Indenture tripartite between Christian and John Paine of Kent transferring ownership of a smithy, 1737 January 18.	1	26
Disposal of a land case in Dareford involving Thomas Newsome and John Tasker, 1737 February 20.	1	27

Promise to pay interest on a mortgage between Esther Wills and John Bishop of Devon. Signed by Wills, 1738 January 28.	1	28
Agreement between Walter Wade of New Grange in Yorkshire and Thomas Walker of Boldon in Yorkshire on tenancy and agricultural matters (torn), 1758 October.	1	29
Foul copy of longer articles of agreement between Walter Wade of New Grange in Yorkshire and Thomas Walker of Boldon in Yorkshire on tenancy and agricultural matters, 1758 October 30.	1	29
Release in a lease between Richard Barker, coachman and John Howell Original signatures, 1760 April 11.	1	30
Trust of property in Southampton for the minor James Hill, 1766 September 30.	1	31
Lease of farmland by William Dobell of Cranbook from John Baker, 1766 October 18.	1	32
Warrant on an indictment for nuisance passed at the Norfolk circuit assizes (Suffolk) for the arrest of Nicholas Gwyn "Doctor of Physic" George Osborne laborer, William Wade laborer, Arthur Evans laborer, 1770 March 20.	1	33
Copy of a letter of administration to the estate of Felicia Harding of Northampton granted to her sister Anna Maria Griffiths on 8 January 1772 and copied, 1794 December 20.	1	34
An account of the several Buildings erected on the Ground let to Edward Oliver on a Building Lease which expires on Lady Day 1785, undated.	1	35
Chirograph agreement John Woodhams v. William Swamie. Dispute over several hundred acres of land in Sussex and thirty acres in Old Romney in Kent. Copy of agreement signed 8 Hilary 26 George II (1753) and copied, 1789 January 29.	1	36

Sale of land by John Creasy of Fordham, Norfolk to John Thurlow Dering of Denver, Norfolk, 1801 March 30.	1	37
Agreement between John Pybus and Paggen Hale for a piece of land in Lancaster, 1805 August 9.	1	38
Chirograph statement Samuel Reader v. Thomas Beach et al. a judgment in a dispute over lands in Sandhurst, Cranbrook, Biddendon, and Appledon, 1808.	1	39
Lawford, Essex. Valuation by William Cook of a plot of land in Lawford, Essex and terms of rent for 14 years. Approved by “Principal landholders” and Churchwardens, and overseers of Lawford. Original signatures, 1810.	1	40

UNDATED DOCUMENTS.

	Box	Folder
Three undated documents in secretary hand, circa 1592-1620.	1	41
Two undated documents. One from the reign of James II, the other an eighteenth-century copy of an earlier document., after 1685.	1	42
