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Frederick Lord Viscount Bollingbroke Baron of Lydiard Trogozan in the County of Wilts and Baron of Battersea in the County of Surry Lord of the Manor and Royalty of Whitstable in the County of Kent

To Jasper Rowden of Whitstable aforesaid

These are to authorizie and appoint you the said Jasper Rowden to be Water Bailiff of my Manor and Royalty of Whitstable aforesaid Given and Granted unto you the said Jasper Rowden full power to Execute and perform the Duty and Office of Water Bailiff within the Manor and Royalty of Whitstable aforesaid to Seize and Take for my Use into your safe Custody all manner of Wrecks of the Sea Goods and Merchandise which shall be found Floating or Forsaken by the Sea and cast upon or found upon any part of the shore or on any Bank Shoal or Stream within the Manor and Royalty aforesaid and to Seize and Take into your Custody all unlawful Netts or Engines whereby any Broods of Oysters or other Fish are or shall be Dredged or Taken in or upon any Bank Shoal or Stream within the Manor aforesaid And for me and in my Name to ask and Demand and Receive of all Masters of Vessels who shall Anchor within my said Manor Tonage for every Vessel as shall be under the Burthen of One Hundred Ton the sum of one shilling and after that Rate for every Vessel of a larger Burthen and to Sue and Arrest all and every person and persons whatsoever who shall Take any Ballace Gravel Stones or Sand from off the Sea Beach or Coast or from off any other part of my Manor without my special Licence or leave for that purpose. And generally to do perform and Execute all other Acts and Things appertaining to the Duty and Office of a Water Bailiff of the Manor and Royalty aforesaid Given under my Hand and Seal this thirteenth Day of November In the Sixteenth year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Third by the Grace of God of Great Britain France and Ireland King Defender of the Faith and so forth And in the year of our Lord One Thousand seven hundred and seventy five.