Dated 25th May 1786 Lease for a year William Masterman Esqr to George Jackson Esqr

This Indenture made the twenty fifth day of May in the twenty sixth year of the reign of our sovereign Lord George the Third by the Grace of God of Great Britain ffrance and Ireland King Defender of the faith and so forth and in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty six Between William Masterman of Red Lion Square in the County of Middlesex Esquire of the one part and George Jackson of Old Palace Yard in the City or Liberty of Westminster in the said County Esquire of the other part Witnesseth that the said William Masterman for and in consideration of the Sum of ffive shillings of lawful money of Great Britain to him in hand well and truly paid by the said George Jackson at or before the ensealing and delivery of these presents the Receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged Hath bargained and sold and by these presents doth Bargain and Sell unto the said George Jackson All that the third part or share of him the said William Masterman under or by force or virtue of a certain Act of Parliament or otherwise howsoever of and in the Navigation or Undertaking for the making or keeping Navigable of the River Stort in the several Counties of Hertford and Essex and each of them and of and in all Lands Grounds Houses Erections Buildings Bridges Sluices Stanches Locks ffloodgates Wears Dams Winches Landing Places ffences Weighbeams Cranes engines and other Works whatsoever of or belonging or in any wise appertaining to the said Navigation or Undertaking and of and in all and singular the Tolls Rates Duties Granted Imposed or made payable by or by virtue of the said recited Act And of and in all other the profits and Advantages of the said Navigation or Undertaking To have and to hold the said part share and premises mentioned and intended to be hereby Bargained Sold unto the said George Jackson his Executors Administrators and Assigns from the day next before the day of the date of these presents for and during and unto the full end and term of one whole year from thence next ensuing and fully so to compleat and ended Yielding and paying therefore the rent of one peppercorn on the last day of the said term if the same shall be lawfully demanded to the Intent that by virtue of these presents and by force of the statute made for transferring uses into possession the said George Jackson may be in the actual possession of the hereby Bargained promises with the appurtenances and may be thereby enabled to Accept and take a Grant and Release of the Reversion Freehold and Inheritance thereof to him and his heirs **In Witness** whereof the said parties to these presents have hereunto and set their hands and seals the day and year first above written



Note: 5/- *in* 1786 = £25.20 *in* 2010