## Letter from Edward Sutton, Baron Dudley, Himley, to Walter Bagot, 1603/1604 January 14: autograph manuscript signed, Papers of the Bagot family of Blithfield, Staffordshire. Transcription by Early Modern Manuscripts Online (EMMO). MS L.a.433, Folger Shakespeare Library, Washington, DC.

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Mr Sheriff I received by News your bailiff yesternight last notice of a Jury to be impanelled Concerning Certain lands of mine lying in Tipton. the service to be done on Thursday next. the matter Concerns me very much. the lands lying in a park under my house side, now the time being so short, my request is that it may please you to do me the favor to stay the proceeding of the Cause until the next vacation, against which time I shall be ready for the same, which kindness if it please you I rest myself to requite at my house at Himley this 14<sup>th</sup> of January 1603

<del>Your</del> Your assured Loving friend Dudley

Good Mr Sheriff let me desire you to do me this favor and if ever I can requite it you shall not find me ungrateful it concerns me 10 times more than the land is worth because it is the park my house at Dudley stands in

if it may not be stayed to be deferred for one week

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To the right worshipful Mr Walter Bagot sheriff of the County of Staffordshire give these

My Lord Dudley his letters: 1603