

**Letter from Edward Sutton, Baron Dudley, Himley, to Walter Bagot,
1603/1604 January 14: autograph manuscript signed, Papers of the Bagot
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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 14th of January 1603

~~Your~~ 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