

**Letter from the Town of Brinton, Norfolk, to Nathaniel Bacon, 1609/1610
January 16: manuscript signed, Papers of the Bacon-Townshend family of
Stiffkey, Norfolk. Transcription by Early Modern Manuscripts Online
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Right worshipful our humble duties remembered. whereas the poorer sort of the Town of Brinton have been often insistent upon us, whose names are underwritten, to become suitors to your worship that some one sufficient man might obtain license of your worship. to victual & draw bear, whereby they might be provided for, by the penny as they were able to fetch it: May it now please your worship by us to be advertised, that the bearer hereof (Nicholas Kendall) of the same town: is a man of honest behavior among us, ~~and~~ of good name, and of good indifferent livelihood, able to make provision for to supply the want of the poorer sort, and to give contentment of entertainment to the Stranger, of which compliments we know not any other in the said Town, either that desireth the place at this instant, or would accept it if it were offered. In which regard we have the rather at this present, humbly offered our mediation to your worship in this bearer's behalf. And so in all duty very humbly commend your worship. to the protection of the Almighty. Brinton the 16th of January 1609.

your Worship's in all duty
at commandment.
Christopher Burlingham
Sam Stalham
William Playford
John Pleasaunce

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To the Right worshipful Sir
Nathaniel Bacon knight
at Stiffkey give this

Mr Stallam
& Kendall