

Sutton Veny

Articles of Clerkship (UK 1756 - 1874)

The Articles of Clerkship were contracts between an apprentice clerk, who wanted to become an attorney or solicitor, and an attorney who agreed to train the clerk. The contracts were often entered into by fathers (or other sponsors) on their sons' behalf with terms typically lasting 5 – 7 years.

Clerk's Name	Clerk's Father	Attorney's Name	Filing Date
Samuel Walter Long	Samuel Long	George Score	7 Nov 1810

In the King's Bench

Thomas Arnold of Sturminster Newton Castle in the County of Dorset Gentleman maketh Oath and saith that by Articles of Agreement bearing the date the ninth day of August instant and made between George Score of Sturminster Newton Castle aforesaid Gentleman one of the Attornies of his Majesty's Court of King's Bench at Westminster of the one part and Samuel Long of Sutton Veny in the county of Wilts and Samuel Walter Long his son of the other part. The said Samuel Wlater Long for the considerations therein mentioned did put place and bind himself Clerk to the said George Score to serve him in the Profession of an Attorney at Law and Solicitor in Chancery from the day of the date of the said Articles for the term of five years from thence next ensuing and fully to be complete and ended And which said Articles were in due form of law executed by the said George Score Samuel Long and Samuel Walter Long in the presence of this Deponant and Robert Long of Sutton Parva in the county of Wilts Gentleman and that the names Thomas Arnold and Robert Long set and subscribed as Witnesses to the due execution thereof are of the proper hand writing of this Deponent and the said Robert Long.

Sworn at Sturminster Newton Castle

The 4th day of September

Thos. Arnold

1811 before

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