

CONVEYANCE & DESCENT

HISTORICAL HOLDER REGISTER

Manor:

AISHOLT MANOR

Location:

Aisholt, Somerset

Recorded historical holders:

9

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SUCCESSION AT A GLANCE

Earliest recorded holder to present. Relationship descriptions are reproduced from saved published paths; categories are not evidence ratings.

1. Roger de Courseulles, Norman landholder and Domesday tenant-in-chief in Somerset | 1086

Transfer: Domesday record; no conveyance identified

Holding: Other

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

2. Robert, Domesday tenant at Aisholt | 1086

Transfer: Domesday record; no conveyance identified

Holding: Other

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

3. William de Reyny, Lord of Aisholt and Aley in Over Stowey | 13th century

Transfer: Intermediate acquisition not identified

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

4. John Hill of Spaxton, Esquire, Member of Parliament for Somerset, 1429-1430 | 1430-01-10 - 1430-01-24

Transfer: Granted Aisholt Manor and associated rights to Edward Cullyford, John Southwode, John Passeware, and William Bochell, on condition that they re-enfeoff John Hill and Cecily his wife

Holding: John Hill was to hold the fee; Cecily was to hold a free tenement

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

5. Edward Cullyford, John Southwode, John Passeware, and William Bochell, Feoffees, John Southwode was rector of Spaxton | 1430-01-10 - 1430-01-24

Transfer: Received Aisholt Manor and associated rights as feoffees and then re-enfeoffed John Hill and Cecily his wife

Holding: Trust / Feoffees of John Hill of Spaxton

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

6. John Hill of Spaxton and Cecily Hill, John Hill: esquire, Cecily: free tenant in her own right under the 1430 re-enfeoffment | 1430-01-24 - 1434-10-21

Transfer: Re-enfeoffed by Edward Cullyford, John Southwode, John Passeware, and William Bochell under the 24 January 1430 charter; John later died seised

Holding: Joint / John held the fee; Cecily held a free tenement

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

7. Robert, Lord Poynings, superior lord of the fee in which Aisholt was held | 1434

Transfer: Superior lordship recorded in the inquisition; no conveyance of Aisholt to him identified

Holding: Other / Overlordship

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

8. John II, Earl of Egmont, 2nd Earl of Egmont, Irish and British peer and politician | 18th century

Transfer: Later lordship asserted in an antiquarian account; precise conveyance and date not identified

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

9. Edward Arthur Vesey Stanley, Landowner, associated with Quantock Lodge, Over Stowey | 1911

Transfer: Recorded as lord of the manor and principal landowner in Kelly's Directory; preceding conveyance not identified

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

DETAILED CONVEYANCE & DESCENT

HOLDER 1

1086

Roger de Courseulles, Norman landholder and Domesday tenant-in-chief in Somerset

Transfer:

Domesday record; no conveyance identified

Holding arrangement:

other

Narrative / explanation:

Roger de Courseulles is identified as the person from whom Robert held terra Olta in 1086. This is evidence of an overlordship or superior tenurial interest, not necessarily of direct occupation or demesne possession by Roger.

Source citation:

Domesday Book Online, Somerset A-B, entry for Aisholt: terra Olta, Robert from Roger de Courseulles.

Source URL:

<https://www.domesdaybook.co.uk/somerset1.html>

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=roger-de-courseulles-25301

Person dates:

floruit 11th century

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 2

1086

Robert, Domesday tenant at Aisholt

Transfer:

Domesday record; no conveyance identified

Previous holder:

Roger de Courseulles

Holding arrangement:

other

Narrative / explanation:

Robert is recorded in the Domesday entry for Aisholt as holding terra Olta from Roger de Courseulles. He is therefore a securely evidenced Domesday tenant of the Aisholt estate, but the source does not establish that he was the independent lord of the manor.

Source citation:

Domesday Book Online, Somerset A-B, entry for Aisholt: terra Olta, Robert from Roger de Courseulles.

Source URL:

<https://www.domesdaybook.co.uk/somerset1.html>

Previous holder profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=roger-de-courseulles-25301

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=robert-25302

Person dates:

floruit 11th century

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 3

13th century

William de Reyny, Lord of Aisholt and Aley in Over Stowey

Transfer:

Intermediate acquisition not identified

Holding arrangement:

sole

Narrative / explanation:

William de Reyny is explicitly described in a study of the Curci inheritance as lord of Aisholt and Aley in Over Stowey. The source places this evidence in the context of the thirteenth-century feudal settlement, but does not provide a dated conveyance into his possession or a complete descent from the Domesday holding.

Source citation:

Sir Henry C. Maxwell Lyte, 'Curci', Proceedings of the Somersetshire Archaeological and Natural History Society, citing Feudal Aids, vol. IV, p. 281; passage identifying William de Reyny as lord of Aisholt.

Source URL:

<https://sanhs.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/12Lyte-1.pdf>

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=william-de-reyny-25303

Person dates:

floruit 13th century

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 4**1430-01-10 - 1430-01-24****John Hill of Spaxton, Esquire, Member of Parliament for Somerset, 1429-1430****Transfer:**

Granted Aisholt Manor and associated rights to Edward Cullyford, John Southwode, John Passeware, and William Bochell, on condition that they re-enfeoff John Hill and Cecily his wife

Holding arrangement:

sole

Share / interest:

John Hill was to hold the fee; Cecily was to hold a free tenement

Narrative / explanation:

The 1435 inquisition states that John Hill, son and heir of Robert Hill and Isabel his wife, granted Aisholt and other manors by an indenture dated 10 January 1430 to four feoffees. The feoffees were then required to re-enfeoff John Hill and Cecily his wife by an indenture dated 24 January 1430. John was seised in his demesne as of fee and Cecily in her demesne as of free tenement. The arrangement is a documented feoffment and re-enfeoffment, not an inferred inheritance.

Source citation:

E-CIPM 24-355, Somerset inquisition at Ilchester, 22 January 1435, TNA reference C 139/71/36 mm.7-8.

Source URL:

<https://inquisitionspostmortem.ac.uk/view/inquisition/24-355/357.html>

Other parties:

John Hill of Spaxton, Cecily Hill

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=john-hill-of-spaxton-25304

Person dates:

born circa 1402; died 21 October 1434

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 5**1430-01-10 - 1430-01-24****Edward Cullyford, John Southwode, John Passeware, and William Bochell, Feoffees, John Southwode was rector of Spaxton****Transfer:**

Received Aisholt Manor and associated rights as feoffees and then re-enfeoffed John Hill and Cecily his wife

Previous holder:

John Hill of Spaxton

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Holding arrangement:

trust

Shared holding:

Feoffees of John Hill of Spaxton

Narrative / explanation:

The four named persons were temporary feoffees. They received the manor under the 10 January 1430 charter and, pursuant to the stated condition, granted it back to John Hill and Cecily his wife under the 24 January 1430 charter. Their holding was fiduciary or transactional rather than beneficial ownership in the ordinary sense.

Source citation:

E-CIPM 24-355, Somerset inquisition at Ilchester, 22 January 1435, TNA reference C 139/71/36 mm.7-8.

Source URL:

<https://inquisitionspostmortem.ac.uk/view/inquisition/24-355/357.html>

Other parties:

Edward Cullyford, John Southwode, John Passeware, William Bochell

Previous holder profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=john-hill-of-spaxton-25304

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=edward-cullyford-john-southwode-john-passeware-william-bochell-25305

Person dates:

floruit 1430

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 6

1430-01-24 - 1434-10-21

John Hill of Spaxton and Cecily Hill, John Hill: esquire, Cecily: free tenant in her own right under the 1430 re-enfeoffment

Transfer:

Re-enfeoffed by Edward Cullyford, John Southwode, John Passeware, and William Bochell under the 24 January 1430 charter; John later died seised

Previous holder:

Edward Cullyford, John Southwode, John Passeware, and William Bochell

Holding arrangement:

joint

Share / interest:

John held the fee; Cecily held a free tenement

Narrative / explanation:

The feoffees re-enfeoffed John Hill and Cecily his wife to hold of the chief lords by due service. John was seised in his demesne as of fee and Cecily was seised in her demesne as of free tenement. John died seised of the estate on 21 October 1434. The inquisition records Aisholt as held of Robert, Lord Poynings, service unknown.

Source citation:

E-CIPM 24-355, Somerset inquisition at Ilchester, 22 January 1435, TNA reference C 139/71/36 mm.7-8.

Source URL:

<https://inquisitionspostmortem.ac.uk/view/inquisition/24-355/357.html>

Other parties:

John Hill of Spaxton, Cecily Hill

Previous holder profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=edward-cullyford-john-southwode-john-passeware-william-bochell-25305

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=john-hill-of-spaxton-and-cecily-hill-25306

Person dates:

John Hill died 21 October 1434; Cecily survived him

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 7**1434****Robert, Lord Poynings, superior lord of the fee in which Aisholt was held****Transfer:**

Superior lordship recorded in the inquisition; no conveyance of Aisholt to him identified

Holding arrangement:

other

Shared holding:

Overlordship

Narrative / explanation:

The 1435 inquisition states that Aisholt Manor was held of Robert, Lord Poynings, service unknown. This identifies Poynings as the superior lord or overlord of the fee, not necessarily as the immediate possessor or resident lord of Aisholt Manor.

Source citation:

E-CIPM 24-355, Somerset inquisition at Ilchester, 22 January 1435, TNA reference C 139/71/36 mm.7-8.

Source URL:

<https://inquisitionspostmortem.ac.uk/view/inquisition/24-355/357.html>

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=robert-lord-poynings-25307

Person dates:

died 1446

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 8**18th century****John II, Earl of Egmont, 2nd Earl of Egmont, Irish and British peer and politician****Transfer:**

Later lordship asserted in an antiquarian account; precise conveyance and date not identified

Holding arrangement:

sole

Narrative / explanation:

A published account of the Somersetshire Archaeological and Natural History Society states that John II, Earl of Egmont, appeared as lord of a group of Somerset estates including Asholt. The passage provides a direct Asholt association but does not give a date for the relevant list or explain the conveyance into Egmont's possession. It should therefore be treated as a later, medium-confidence holding record rather than as a securely dated link in the descent.

Source citation:

Proceedings of the Somersetshire Archaeological and Natural History Society, vol. 43, passage listing John II, Earl of Egmont, as lord of Asholt and associated Somerset estates.

Source URL:

https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/4/45/Proceedings_of_the_Somersetshire_Archaeological_and_Natural_History_Society_%28IA_proceedingsofsom43some%29.pdf

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=john-ii-earl-of-egmont-25308

Person dates:

1711-1770

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 9**1911****Edward Arthur Vesey Stanley, Landowner, associated with Quantock Lodge, Over Stowey****Transfer:**

Recorded as lord of the manor and principal landowner in Kelly's Directory; preceding conveyance not identified

Holding arrangement:

sole

Narrative / explanation:

Kelly's Directory for Somerset, published in 1911, identifies Edward Arthur Vesey Stanley of Quantock Lodge, Over Stowey, as lord of Aisholt Manor and principal landowner. This is the latest direct historical holder evidence located for the manor. The source does not explain how the estate passed to

Stanley or whether all manorial rights and lands remained unified.

Source citation:

Kelly's Directory of Somersetshire, 1911, entry for Aisholt or Asholt, identifying Edward Arthur Vesey Stanley as lord of the manor and principal landowner.

Source URL:

<https://leicester.contentdm.oclc.org/digital/api/collection/p16445coll4/id/109925/download>

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=edward-arthur-vesey-stanley-25309

Person dates:

1868-1938

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.