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Shinglehall

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Location: Hertfordshire
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LORDSHIP / TITLE ASSOCIATIONS
- Lordship of Shinglehall | Associated | | Provisional

ABOUT THE MANOR

THIS MANOR descended to the Earls of Essex from the de Say family, when Beatrice de Say married Geoffrey Fitz Piers who was created Earl of Essex in 1195. Their son Geoffrey took the name of Mandeville. There is a possible site of an ancient park and mill, which are remembered by the names Park Field and Mill Field, which lie within the boundaries of the Manor. Maud, the sister and heir of William de Mandeville, married into the Bohun family, who were Earls of Hereford, and the Lordship eventually passed to the Crown on the marriage of Mary de Bohun to Henry VI when the Manor was annexed to the Duchy of Lancaster. Edward IV granted it to John Leventhorpe, the member for Hertfordshire in 1467, who had a grant of free warren and a market and two fairs in Sawbridgeworth and Thorley. He also gained a licence to inclose 400 acres of land, 40 acres of meadow and 80 acres of wood in these Manors to make park. He died in 1484 and was succeeded by his son Thomas, then aged 60, who died seised of the Manor in 1493. John, his son, who was Sheriff of Hertfordshire in 1509, died in 1511, when Shinglehall passed to his son Thomas, who received a confirmation of the grant of market, fair, and park made in 1447. Their descendent John was knighted at Theobalds in 1603, and was Sheriff of Hertfordshire in 1593-94 and 1607-8 and was created a baronet in 1622. Thomas, who was his second son, succeeded him, his eldest son having died earlier. Thomas eldest son died of smallpox in infancy in 1649, and the property passed to his brother, Sir Thomas Leventhorpe. Sir Thomas had no male issue, so the title passed to his uncle, Sir Charles Leventhorpe, but the Manor passed to his daughter Mary, who

married

John Coke of Melbourne, County Derby.

Their son Thomas sold the Lordship of Shinglehall to Ralph Freeman, DD, who conveyed it to Edward

Gardiner in 1755. His daughter, Rose, married Jeremiah Miles, and they held the Manor jointly in

1781. Jeremiah died in 1797, but Rose survived until 1835. On her death the Lordship passed to

Rowland Alston who had married her eldest daughter and co-heir. He sold it in 1847 to J M Ede, and

on his death the estate was sold to Mr B Colvin of Waltham House executors disposed of it in 1865.

After this the Manor passed by marriage to the Bowbly family, who are the present Lords. The Lordship lies in the Parish of Sawbridgeworth, about five miles south of Bishop s

Stortford and

twelve miles north-east of Hertford. The church at Sawbridgeworth contains many monuments of the

Leventhorpe family, including a fine tomb dating from 1625. The memorial brass to a John Chauncey

has been lost, but his shield remains and is dated 1546.

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Catalogue sourceLot #4 of Manorial Auctioneers December 1996

Associated manorial documents / archive referencesSteward s Papers 1745-9

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Herts ROCourt Books 1828-1935Deeds & Awards &c 1889-1925

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Manors) 1879

OWNERSHIP / HOLDER ACCOUNT

Historical holder / succession informationEarls of Essex from the de Say family1195 • passed_to •

historical_holder_or_transfereeSource wording: THIS MANOR descended to the Earls of Essex from the

de Say family, when Beatrice de Say married Geoffrey Fitz Piers who was created Earl of Essex in

1195.Crown on the marriage of Mary de Bohun to Henry VIpassed_to •

historical_holder_or_transfereeSource wording: Maud, the sister and heir of William de Mandeville,

married into the Bohun family, who were Earls of Hereford, and the Lordship eventually

passed to the Crown on the marriage of Mary de Bohun to Henry VI when the Manor was annexed to the Duchy of Lancaster. his daughter Mary [source claim requiring identity review] passed to • historical_holder_or_transferee Source wording: Sir Thomas had no male issue, so the title passed to his uncle, Sir Charles Leventhorpe, but the Manor passed to his daughter Mary, who married John Coke of Melbourne, County Derby. His daughter, Rose, married Jeremiah Miles [source claim requiring identity review] 1781 • held_manor • historical_holder_or_transferee Source wording: His daughter, Rose, married Jeremiah Miles, and they held the Manor jointly in 1781. Rowland Alston passed to • historical_holder_or_transferee Source wording: On her death the Lordship passed to Rowland Alston who had married her eldest daughter and co-heir. Mr B Colvin of Waltham House 1847|1865 • sold_to • historical_holder_or_transferee Source wording: He sold it in 1847 to J M Ede, and on his death the estate was sold to Mr B Colvin of Waltham House executors disposed of it in 1865.

CONVEYANCE / DESCENT

- 1195 | Earls of Essex from the de Say family | passed_to | | Lot #4 of Manorial Auctioneers December 1996
- | Crown on the marriage of Mary de Bohun to Henry VI | passed_to | | Lot #4 of Manorial Auctioneers December 1996
- | Rowland Alston | passed_to | | Lot #4 of Manorial Auctioneers December 1996
- 1847|1865 | Mr B Colvin of Waltham House | sold_to | | Lot #4 of Manorial Auctioneers December 1996
- 1467 | John Leventhorpe | royal grant | Manor And Title |
- 1484 - 1493 | Thomas Leventhorpe | descent | Manor And Title |
- 1493 - 1511 | John Leventhorpe | descent | Manor And Title |
- 1511 | Thomas Leventhorpe | descent and confirmation | Manor And Title |
- | Sir Thomas Leventhorpe | descent | Manor And Title |
- | Mary Leventhorpe | descent | Manor And Title |
- | John Coke | marriage descent | Manor And Title |
- | Thomas Coke | sale | Manor And Title |
- - 1755 | Ralph Freeman, DD | conveyance | Manor And Title |
- 1755 | Edward Gardiner | conveyance | Manor And Title |
- 1781 - 1797 | Rose Gardiner and Jeremiah Miles | marriage descent | Manor And Title |
- 1847 | J M Ede | sale | Manor And Title |

RECORDED RIGHTS

- Free warren: A grant of free warren was made to John Leventhorpe.
- Market: A market was granted in connection with Sawbridgeworth and Thorley, with a later confirmation recorded for Thomas Leventhorpe.
- Two fairs: Two fairs were granted in connection with Sawbridgeworth and Thorley, with a

later confirmation recorded for Thomas Leventhorpe.

- Park and inclosure rights: John Leventhorpe received a licence to inclose 400 acres of land, 40 acres of meadow and 80 acres of wood to make a park; an ancient park is also associated with the manor.

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