

English & Welsh gunmakers & gunsmiths from the mid 16th century

A record of names, dates and places from free on-line sources - Autumn 2016

DATE	NAME	EVENT	LOCATION City/Town	Record Office Reference Number
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BEDFORDSHIRE

Bedfordshire Record Office				
1651	John Adames	Conveyance (Feoffment): John Butler, labourer, to John Adames, gunsmith, both of Lidlington -- 1 ac. in Windmill Fd	Lidlington	CH609
20 Jun 1664	Thomas Peobody	Marriage Settlement (Feoffment): £30. (i) Maurice Sharley of Loddington, tailor.(ii) Thomas Peobody of Bailden parva, gunsmith	Bailden	HI98
1684	Samuel Browne	PRESENTMENTS OF RECUSANTS - includes Samuel Browne of Salford, gunsmith	Salford	HSA1684/W/61-62

11 Jun 1695	Francis Reynardson	Assignment of Mortgage Parties: mortgage by demise for 60 years of 8 Dec 1656 in which Richard Loton, Abraham Jeson of Whitechapel, gentleman, Francis Reynardson of Whitechapel, gunsmith and John Wells of Whitechapel, brewer	London	WB/WF5/1/2
1695	Humphrey Pickfatt	Settlement on marriage of Edward Turvey, gunmaker, & Mabel Howell (widow of John Howell) all of London	London	WG129
1698	Christopher Watford	Christopher Watford's receipted bill to the Earl of Bolingbroke for gunsmith's work and clock cleaning.	??	J428
22 Jun 1698	John Gillam	Feoffment Parties: (i) Sarah Gillam of Luton, widow; (ii) John Gillam of Luton, gunsmith, son of Sarah Gillam	Luton	Z660/D/3/2/3
12 Dec 1717	John Gillam	Covenant Parties: (i) John Ewer of Luton, gentleman and Sarah, his wife; Edward Ewer of Luton, gentleman, father of John Ewer; John Gillam of Luton, gunsmith, and Sarah, his wife	Luton	Z660/D/3/1/4

National Archives

12 December 1853	John Drage	Will of John Drage, Gunsmith of Leighton Buzzard , Bedfordshire	Leighton Buzzard	PROB 11/2182
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BERKSHIRE

National Archives

19 May 1653	James Wallace	Will of James Wallace, Gunsmith of Wantage, Berkshire	Wantage	PROB 11/226
30 May 1771	Robert Bennett	Will of Robert Bennett, Gunmaker of Cookham, Berkshire	Cookham	PROB 11/967
09 May 1834	William Abnett	Will of William Abnett, Gunmaker of New Windsor, Berkshire	New Windsor	PROB 11/1831
29 January 1857	Edward Woodham	Will of Edward Woodham, Gunsmith of Hungerford, Berkshire	Hungerford	PROB 11/2245

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE

Buckinghamshire Record Office

16 Oct 1821	Joseph Hart	Copy admission (manor of Langley Marish) of Andrew Northcroft of Chancery Lane, London, gentleman, to copyhold cottage in Westmoor Green, on surrender of Joseph Hart of Henley, gunmaker, and Susanna Hart his wife	Henley	D-X 1862/45
12 Feb 1862	William Abbey	Probate copy of will of William Abbey of Newport Pagnell, gunsmith, made 19 June 1856, proved 12 February 1862	Newport Pagnell	W/1122

National Archives

29 December 1791	Robert Wilkins	Will of Robert Wilkins, Gun Maker of Eton, Buckinghamshire	Eton	PROB 11/1212
15 January 1816	Philip John Joseph Bond	Will of Philip John Joseph Bond, Gun Maker of Great Marlow, Buckinghamshire	Great Marlow	PROB 11/1576

CAMBRIDGESHIRE

Cambridgeshire Record Office				
1686	Edwards, Wulstan	Will of Edwards, Wulstan or Wollstan - Gunsmith of St Ives	St Ives	KAH/16/2/26/31
18 Aug 1699	John Wardell	Lease, for 21 years between the Corporation and John Wardell, gunsmith, of booths known as Munseys Booths in the Cheese Row at Stourbridge Fair late in occupation of John Hignell, between booths of alderman Watson and John Cotton Kt.	Cambridge	KCB/2/CL/17/2/Page 541
11 Jan 1708	John Wardell	Lease, for 21 years between the Corporation and John Wardell, gunsmith, of booths known as Munseys Booths in Cheese Row at Stourbridge Fair between booths of alderman Watson and John Cotton Kt.	Cambridge	KCB/2/CL/17/2/Page 826
11 Jan 1717/18	Thomas Pheasant	Intimation for faculty to erect a seat for Richard Sweepston, baker, Thomas Pheasant, gunsmith, and their families	St Neots	KAH/10/269/55

January 1786	William Gallyon	Records of Cambridgeshire manors Dry Drayton: Mortgage of freehold messuage, for securing £20 and interest. 1. William Gallyon of Cambridge, gunsmith. 2. John Cooper of same, gent.	Cambridge	132/T384
8 January 1795	William Gallyon	Records of Cambridgeshire manors Cambridge St Michael: Lease for 31 years of property in 132/T210-1, rent £9 p.a. 1. John Mee. 2. William Gallyon of Cambridge, gunmaker.	Cambridge	K132/T/216
20/21 June 1808	William Gallyon	Deed of land in Cambridge Indenture in 4 parts: 1. James Mackie of Deptford, Richard Best junior of Greenwich, and Robert Hill of Deptford, devisees in trust and executors of Will of Christopher Dobson late of Greenwich deceased. 2. William Gallyon of Cambridge, gunmaker. 3. Lucy Hart of Cambridge, widow, sister and executrix of Will of John Blackman late of Cambridge deceased. 4. Charles Ellington of Parish of St James, Middlesex, trustee of William Gallyon. Lease and Release of messuage with appurtenances in Green Street, and Assignment of Mortgage Endorsed: Mr James Mackie and others to Mr William Gallyon and his Trustee. Release and Assignment of a Messuage and premises in Cambridge	Cambridge	KAR54/3/1-2
22 January 1813	William Gallyon	Apprenticeship indenture of Thomas Armstead to William Gallyon of Cambridge, gunsmith	Cambridge	KP32/14/1/50
10 May 1833	Henry Marshall Foster	Thomas James Batterbee to Henry Marshall Foster of Wisbech, gunsmith and bell-hanger	Wisbech	KL56/31

23 April 1838	William Gallyon	Cambridge: Probate of will, 20 March 1834, of William Gallyon, gunmaker. 23 April 1838.	Cambridge	K132/T/376
1841	George Byatt	Byatt, George - Gunsmith of Whittlesey, Cambs and Huntingdon: will	Whittlesey	KAH/16/2/179/6

National Archives

22 December 1773	Thomas Bayley	Will of Thomas Bayley, Gunsmith of Saint Andrew the Great Cambridge, Cambridgeshire	Cambridge	PROB 11/993
August 11 1809	John Beddow	Abstract of Will of John Beddow, Gunsmith of Cambridge, Cambridgeshire	Cambridge	IR 26/332

CANTERBURY (Kent)

Canterbury Cathedral Archives

1568	John Clerke	Bond Bonder: includes Clerke, John, gunsmith, of Southwark, Surrey Bondee: Canterbury, cathedral, Dean and Chapter 25 Nov. In £20. Condition: fulfillment by Percey of terms of indenture.	Southwark, Surrey	CCA-DCc-Bond/165
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1571	Godfrey Clawson	Bond Bondee: Cure, Dyrkye, joiner, of Southwark, Surrey & Clawson, Godfrey, gunmaker, of Southwark, Surrey & Derickson, Francis, furrier, of Southwark, Surrey For £40. 29 Sep.	Southwark, Surrey	CCA-DCc-BB/81/73a
1581	Godfrey Clawson	Lease Lessee: Clawson, Godfrey, gunmaker, of Southwark, Surrey	Southwark, Surrey	CCA-DCc-BB/81/74
1581	Godfrey Clawson	Bond Bonder: Clawson, Godfrey, gunsmith, of St Olave's pa, Southwark, Surrey & Leydam, William, butcher, of St Olave's pa, Southwark, Surrey & Goad, John, taylor, of St Olave's pa, Southwark, Surrey	Southwark, Surrey	CCA-DCc-Bond/186
1583	Clawson, Godfrey	Lease Lessee: Clawson, Godfrey, gunmaker, of Southwark, Surrey For £40. 3 Oct	Southwark, Surrey	CCA-DCc-BB/81/75
1608	Godfrey Clawson	Bond Bonder: Clawson, Godfrey, gunsmith, of Southwark, Surrey & Stevens, Henry, clothworker, of London & Goade, John, tailor ('scissor'), of Southwark, Surrey	Southwark, Surrey	CCA-DCc-Bond/272
1608	Godfrey Clawson	Bond Bondee: Goade, John, tailor, of Southwark, Surrey & King, John, baker, of Southwark, Surrey & Clawson, Godfrey, gunmaker, of Southwark, Surrey	Southwark, Surrey	CCA-DCc-BB/81/48a

1608	Godfrey Clawson	Lease Lessee: Clawson, Godfrey, gunmaker, of Southwark, Surrey	Southwark, Surrey	CCA-DCc-BB/81/77
1617	Henry Champney	Henry Champney - gunsmith - seeks Freedom by apprenticeship	Canterbury	CCA-CC-A/P/B/1617/2
1623	William Clauson	Bond Bonder: Clauson, William, gunsmith, of St Olave's pa in Southwark, Surrey & Clauson, Paul	Southwark, Surrey	CCA-DCc-Bond/327
1623	Godfrey Clawson	Lease Lessee: Clawson, Godfrey, gunmaker, of Southwark, Surrey	Southwark, Surrey	CCA-DCc-BB/81/77
20 Nov 1647	Mathew Hickman	Mathew Hickman - gunmaker Seeks lease of waste land	Canterbury	CCA-CC-A/P/B/1647/64
31 Jul 1655	Martin Archer	Martin Archer - gunsmith- seeks Freedom by apprenticeship	Canterbury	CCA-CC-A/P/B/1655/17
1655	William Nutbrown	William Nutbrown - gunsmith- seeks Freedom by apprenticeship	Canterbury	CCA-CC-A/P/B/1655/77
28 Jul 1657	William Nutbrown	William Nutbrown - gunsmith - seeks loan of £10	Canterbury	CCA-CC-A/P/B/1657/43
8 Sep 1657	William Nutbrown	William Nutbrown - gunsmith - names surities for loan	Canterbury	CCA-CC-A/P/B/1657/53
9 Jul 1659	Richard Fowle	Bond. Richard Fowle, gunsmith; Edward Hirst, gentleman; and Robert Monday, barber	Canterbury	CCA-CC-WOODRUFFS/17/24
1661	Richard Ginder	Richard Ginder - gunsmith- seeks Freedom by apprenticeship	Canterbury	CCA-CC-A/P/B/1661/2

10 Oct 1674	Giles Smith	Settlement indemnity bond with the churchwardens and overseers of Deal parish. Giles Smith, gunsmith, wife and family from Littlebourne	Littlebourne	CCA-U3-95/13A/13
1660-1700	Thomas Hilderson	Petition Petitioner: Hilderson, Thomas, gunsmith, of Canterbury, Kent During the Commonwealth he was made an almsman of the church. Deprived of this position by the dean and chapter, he asks for payment arrears.	Canterbury	CCA-DCc-PET/12
17 Jul 1718	Thos Walker	Archdeaconry Court Miscellaneous Plaintiff: Off per Phil MANNEKE & Matt BROWNE St Peters & num;c; Defendant: Chas BLOGG same psh; Documents: Deps; Case: InconDeponents: Jn SOMES, All Saints Cant, gunsmith; Thos WALKER, St Peters, barber; My VARLEE, St Pet; Thos BEVERTON, St Peters	Canterbury	CCA-DCb-PRC/18/46/42
22 Jul 1718	Thos Walker	Archdeaconry Court Miscellaneous Plaintiff: Off per Phil MANNEKE & Matt BROWNE St Peters & num;c; Defendant: Chas BLOGG same parish; Deponents: Jn SOMES, All Saints Cant, gunsmith; Thos WALKER, St Peters, barber; My VARLEE, St Peters; Thos BEVERTON, St Peters	Canterbury	CCA-DCb-PRC/18/46/43

The Roll of Freemen of the City of Canterbury from A.D. 1392-to 1800 by JOSEPH MEADOWS COWPER, F.S.A., pub. 1903

1618	Henry Champney	Champney, Henry, gunsmith, app. to John Jusley. 1618.	Canterbury
1634	Edward Barret	Richardes, David, gunsmith, app. to Edward Barrett. 1634	Canterbury
1644	Matthew Hickman	gunmaker. Freedom 1644.	Canterbury
1655	Edward Barret	Nutbrowne, William, gunsmith, app. to Edward Barret. 1655.	Canterbury
1664	Edward Barret	Barret, Edward, gunsmith, son of Edward Barret, gunsmith. 1664.	Canterbury
1672	John Barret	Hunt, Nicholas, gunsmith, app. to John Barrett. 1672.	Canterbury
1675	John Barret	Barrett, Thomas, clockmaker, app. to John Barrett, gunsmith. 1675.	Canterbury
1680	Thomas Tuck	Tuck, Thomas, gunsmith, app. to Edward Barrett. 1680.	Canterbury
1683	John Barret	Simpson, Richard, clerk: married Jane, daughter of John Barret, gunsmith. 1683.	Canterbury
1700	Nicholas Hunt	Hunt, Stephen, gent., son of Nicholas Hunt, gunsmith. 1700	Canterbury

1763	Thomas Lott	gunmaker. Freedom 1763.	Canterbury
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CHESHIRE

Cheshire Record Office

23 Nov 1739	Michael Hutchinson	Chester Quarter Sessions - Coroners' Inquests. Thomas Duke and Peter Parry, on Patrick Rowney, gardiner, accidentally shot when John Leche, clerk to Nathaniel Barber, attorney at law, was trying out his gun which had just been repaired by Michael Hutchinson, gunsmith.	Chester	ZQCI/20/60a
1719	William Daxon	ARTICLES of AGREEMENT (Copy) between (1) William Daxon of Malpas, gunsmith, and John Charsley of Amersham, Bucks., gentleman, on behalf of Madam Drake, and Montagu Garrard Drake for son, and (2) John Leech of Carden, esq.,	Malpas	DTD/29/9
1 May 1709	Philip Dane (Deane?)	Apprenticeship Indenture and Bond The apprentice William Coleman (son of John Coleman of Nantwich) is bound to Philip Dane (Deane?) as a Gunsmith for 7 years	Nantwich	DSW/2116/53/8

CORNWALL

Cornwall Record Office				
1619	Edmund Player	Will & Inventory of Edmund Player, gunmaker, of St Ives	St Ives	AP/P/372
10 Apr 1682	John Phineas	Lease and counterpart; decayed house, Fowey Parties 1) John Treffry of Place, esquire, to 2) John Phineas junior of Fowey, gunsmith. Decayed house, court and garden late in occupation of Joan Gyll widow, on west of street to passage. Lease for 99 years.	Fowey	TF/331
20 Nov 1655	Edward Westcott	Conveyance; St Andrew's Street, St Ives Parties: 1) John Hele, esquire, of Easton in Gordon otherwise St Georges, Somerset 2) Edward Westcott, gunmaker, of St Ives. 1) to 2) of messuages, dwelling house, smiths shopp and cellars in St Andrewes Street in St Ives.	St Ives	CH/37/78
8 Feb 1668	Edward Westcott	Quitclaim - St Andrew's Street, St Ives Parties: 1) Edward Westcott, gunmaker, of St Ives 2) Richard Hichens of St Ives. 1) to 2) of title and interest in four chambers with two cellars under the same, situate in St Andrews Street. Consideration: £70 from 2) to 1).	St Ives	CH/37/79
13 Feb 1668	Edward Westcott	Quitclaim - St Andrew's Street, St Ives Parties: 1) Edward Westcott, gunmaker, of St Ives 2) Richard Hichens, merchant, of St Ives. 1) to 2) of title and interest in all those messuages, dwelling house, smyths shop and sellars together with the long chamber and ground roome.	St Ives	CH/37/80

1 Apr 1673	Bernard Pennington	Lease; fields called the Stepps, Bodmin Parties: 1) Jonathan Rashleigh of Menabilly, esquire, 2) Bernard Pennington of Bodmin, gunsmith. Lease for 99 years.	Bodmin	R/108
1682	Daniel Yole	Will of Daniel Yole, gunsmith, of Lanteglos by Camelford Will and inventory, court papers	Lanteglos	AP/Y/41
6 Nov. 1696	Nicholas Werry	Acknowledgement of bond, to secure payment, Wadebridge Parties include 1) Mary Werry of St Breock, widow, and Nicholas Werry of St Breock, gunsmith Acknowledgement of bond, of 5th November 1695; £13.	St Breock	X450/164

20 Jul 1706	Richard Arnold	<p>Pre-nuptial settlement, property in Fore Street, Bodmin</p> <p>Parties include 1) Richard Arnold, gunsmith, Bodmin & Richard Arnold junior, gunsmith, St Columb Major, son of 1) and Ursula, daughter of Thomas Trevethan, barker, Padstow. Pre-nuptial settlement, on marriage between Richard Arnold and Ursula Trevethan, by bargain and sale by 1) to 3) of property in Fore Street, now in occupation of Richard Arnold, being the eastern shop, the room behind it, as far as the beam next to the hall and from the partition of boards in this room as far as the corner of the wall of Richard Ley's house; room over the two shops and room adjacent this room; room over the entry; kitchen and room over it; stable with hayloft over it; dryhouse adjacent stable and room over it, from corner of the hall wall to the back door; western half of upper plot of the courtelage from the eastern corner of the back door to the hedge, which is allowed for a way and the hither garden, allowing John Binnick a way to the higher garden; also moiety of courtelage and backside, 20 July 1706. Consideration: £100. security.</p>	Bodmin	AD103/147
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15 May 1731	Richard Arnold	Mortgage, property in Fore Street, Bodmin Parties: 1) Richard Arnold, gunsmith, Bodmin 2) William Gredwen, gentleman, Bodmin. Mortgage by lease and release (lease for a year missing) by 1) to 2) of property in Fore Street, now in occupation of Richard Arnold, being the eastern shop, the room behind it, as far as the beam next to the hall and from the partition of boards in this room as far as the corner of the wall of Richard Ley's house; room over the 2 shops and room adjacent this room; room over the entry; kitchen and room over it; stable with hayloft over it; dryhouse adjacent stable and room over it, from corner of the hall wall to the back door; western half of upper plot of the courtelage from the eastern corner of the back door to the hedge, which is allowed for a way and the hither garden, allowing John Binnick a way to the higher garden; also moiety of courtelage and backside, purchased by Richard Arnold's father from John Binnick, 15 May 1731. Consideration: £45.	Bodmin	AD103/148
1755	Richard Arnold	Will of Richard Arnold, gunsmith, of Bodmin Borough	Bodmin	AP/A/864
1690	John Williams	Will of John Williams, gunsmith, of East Looe, St Martin by Looe	East Looe	AP/W/1409
1743	Edmond Wills	Will of Edmond Wills, gunsmith, of Truro Administration and inventory	Truro	AP/W/2396
1750	William Wallis	Will of William Wallis, gunsmith and watch maker, of St Austell	St Austell	AP/W/2522
5 Nov 1748	John Dale	Indemnity bond John Dale, gunsmith of Constantine	Constantine	BMZ/11/8/16

11 Feb 1703	Nicholas Werry	Pre nuptial settlement by way of bargain and sale, properties in St Breock and Kilkhampton Parties: 1) Nicholas Werry of St Breock, gunsmith, and Elizabeth Hooper of Milton Abbot, Devon, spinster, daughter of John Hooper, yeoman 2) Richard Hooper of St Gennys, yeoman and John Werry of St Breock, yeoman 1) to 2): Treneage in St Breock, and part of Darracott in Kilkhampton, being the mens' chamber, the loft adjoining, commonly called the ship, and fields. On marriage between Nicholas Werry and Elizabeth Hooper.	St Breock	CF/1/914
7 Mar 1710	William Calenso	Pre-nuptial settlement, property in Plymouth Messuage or tenement, courtelage and pallace in Plymouth, between Lawrence Reed's land on east, lands in occupation of William Calenso, gunsmith.	Bodmin	RD/1342
25 Mar 1717	John Popplestone	Assignment of remainder of term, garden in Fowey Parties: 1) John Popplestone of Fowey, gunsmith to 2) Alexander Wollcott of Fowey, gentleman. Garden in Fowey. Assignment of remainder of term of 99 years.	Fowey	R/2487
1739	Richard Arnold	Recipt for work done for John Hoblyn by Richard Arnold, gunsmith, mainly repairs to guns	Bodmin	T/1423
8 Jul 1741	William Rowse	Assignment of remainder of term, fields with dwelling-house and garden. part of Landreath, St Blazey Parties 1) William Rowse of St Blazey, gunsmith, to 2) Thomas Libby of St Austell, blacksmith. Assignment of remainder of term of 99 years	St Blazey	TF/217

25 Sep 1772	William Bass	Bargain and sale, property in Plymouth, Devon To the east Week's Street, lands of Elizabeth Netherton, widow and William Bass, gunsmith and wife Mary Bass,	Plymouth	PH/181
26 Sep 1772	William Bass	Marriage Settlement and assignment. All part of house of 3 dwellings and malthouse in Treville Street alias Butchers Lane. Mentions; - to the east and west lands of Elizabeth Netherton, widow and William Bass, gunsmith and wife Mary Bass.	Plymouth	PH/258

National Archives

05 December 1659	Robert Tison	Will of Robert Tison or Tyson, Gunsmith and now bound out into the parts beyond the Seas in the Good Ship Canton Frigate of Penryn, Cornwall		PROB 11/296
16 March 1705	William Morrish	Will of William Morrish, Gunsmith and now belonging to Her Majesty's Ship Association of Saint Breock, Cornwall		PROB 11/481

CUMBRIA

1691	George Turner	Extracts from deeds to Carleton Hall (manor and estate) dated 1652-1697, extracted c. 1700 Bargain and sale for £14 (George Turner of Boltongate gunsmith, to John Pattenson of Penrith gent.) - freehold barn and byre or cowhouse by him lately erected, in Boltongate; its northwest side abuts on a close called "the Low Gaurds" (part of the Duke of Somerset's Demesne there), and its south-east abuts on "the High way Called Bolton Gate".	Boltongate	DCC/2/44
1793	William Graham	Lease for one year of two houses and five closes of ground in Cummersdale, between 1. Mary Armstrong of Carlisle, spinster, Thomas Sewell of Newlands, William Graham of Carlisle, gunsmith, and Richard Sewell of Hawksdale Bridge End and 2. John Sowerby of London	Carlisle	DX 1704/6
1767	Robert Loy	Probate Administration of Robert Loy, gunsmith, of Dufton, Westmorland	Dufton	PROB/1767/A(13)
1768	Jonathan Allen	Will of Jonathan Allen, gunsmith, of Penrith, Cumberland	Penrith	PROB/1768/W254
1804	John Ritson	Will of John Ritson, gunsmith, of Maryport, Crosscannonby, Cumberland	Maryport	PROB/1804/W892
1781	Thomas Bulman	Will of Thomas Bulman, gunmaker, formerly of Carnarvon now of Caldewgate, Carlisle, Cumberland	Carlisle	PROB/1781/W522

1647	John Goulding	Goulding, John (Male), gunsmith, Culgath, Cumbria Event Details Drapers' Company	Culgath	Records of London's Livery Companies Online - Drapers' Company
1654	John Goulding	Goulding, John (Male) gunsmith, Culgath, Cumbria Event Details Drapers' Company	Culgath	Records of London's Livery Companies Online - Drapers' Company

DERBYSHIRE

Derbyshire Record Office

1661	Edmond Robinson	Locksmith/gunsmith's account Detailed account from Edmond Robinson to Mr Gell	Derby	D3287/46/16
16 Jan 1702	Thomas ?Headnis	Bond in £6 of Thomas ?Headnis of Ashbourne gunsmith to William Lee of Ladyhole, Yeldersley, gent	Ashbourne	D77/4/24/276

National Archives

10 September 1646	John Frearson	Will of John Frearson, Gunsmith of Derby, Derbyshire	Derby	PROB 11/197
17 May 1844	John Court	Will of John Court, Gunsmith of Stapenhill, Derbyshire	Stapenhill	PROB 11/1998

DEVONSHIRE

Devonshire Record Office & SOUTH WEST HERITAGE TRUST

11 May 1660	John Norman	Plymouth Borough records - Description: The tradesmen of Plymouth to the Mayor, Magistrates and Common Council - praying that John Norman, a stranger and recent newcomer, (who has served his apprenticeship in the town but has nevertheless presumed to follow divers trades therein), may be ordered to desist from impoverishing the proper inhabitants by exercising the art of a gunsmith and other callings.	Plymouth	1/359/80
1672	Robert Zelly	Barnstaple Borough Council Presentment Robert Zelly of Barnstaple, gunsmith Assault against Phillip Atkey of S. Molton, gent. 1672	Barnstable	B1/0/1078
1682	Richard Every	Dodbrooke Parish CHARITIES ...1. Feoffees of the parish of Dodbrooke 2. Richard Every of Kingsbridge, gunsmith Parcel of ground, room adjoining, now used as a stable, and two chambers over, with a curtilage adjoining now used as a hog court, in Kingsbridge Rent: 10s	Kingsbridge	5721A/PF/38

1704	Richard Eales	Dodbrooke Parish CHARITIES Lease for 99 yrs or 3 lives, 1704 ...1. Feoffees of the parish of Dodbrooke 2. Richard Eales the elder of Kingsbridge, gunsmith Part of ground and room now used as a stable, two chambers over, and curtilage adjoining now used...	Kingsbridge	5721A/PF/53
11 Jul 1709	Daniel Cory	Plymouth Borough records: Southside Street - Deed Description: Lease for 21 years 1) Mayor and Commonalty of the Borough of Plymouth 2) Daniel Cory of Plymouth, gunsmith Plot of land on the south side of Southside Street, Plymouth Rent: 8s per annum.	Plymouth	1/720/189
1711	David Alquier	COUNTY OF DEVON - QUARTER SESSIONS SACRAMENT CERTIFICATES David Alquier of Stoke Damerel, gunsmith; French Reformed church near Frankfort St Andrews, Plymouth	Plymouth	QS/21/1711/12
10 Jan 1721	John Hill	Lease for 99 years or 3 lives 1) Exebridge feoffees. 2) John Hill of Tiverton, gunsmith. King's Arms at lower end of Bampton Street, and house adjoining. For lives of John Hill, wife Mary and daughter Mary	Tiverton	257M/T/97

1727	Peter Coysgarne	Release Premises: one messuage in Kingsbridge formerly in the tenure of Peter Coysgarne gunsmith deceased, late of Andrew Pope deceased and now of Robert Bastard Consideration: £56 3s: 92 Fore Street Kingsbridge	Kingsbridge	4009M/T/1
1728	John Coale	Barnstaple Borough Council Information Thos. Hawkins of Chittlehampton, gent. Assault by John Coale of Barnstaple, gunsmith, 1728	Barnstable	B1/0/2268
25 February 1734	John Morrifield John Longbridge	QUARTER SESSIONS BUNDLES 1734 EASTER: RECOGNISANCES John Langbridge gunsmith, Frances Ford, husbandman, and John Morrifield, gunsmith, all of Dalton. John Langbridge bound to appear at the next sessions to answer for assault on one Leonard Bowman.	Dolton	QS/4/1734/Easter/RE/1
1 June 1734	John Townsend	QUARTER SESSIONS BUNDLES MIDSUMMER 1734 RECOGNISANCES, 1 June 1734 ...Nicholas Stooke of Chudleigh, yeoman, Stephen Fathers of the same parish, maltster, and John Townsend of the same, gunsmith. Nicholas Stooke is bound to appear at the next sessions to abide an order...	Chudleigh	QS/4/1734/Midsummer/RE/6
1 June 1734	John Morrifield John Langbridge	QUARTER SESSIONS BUNDLES 1734 EASTER: RECOGNISANCES John Morrifield of Dolton gunsmith and John Langbridge of Dolton gunsmith. Morrifield is to appear at the next session to answer for assault and beating of William Parker	Dolton	QS/4/1734/Midsummer/RE/6

26 Sep 1734	John Beare	Title: Giles family of Penquit Copy of assignment - includes; two closes called Culver Park and Court Gardens and a meadow called Court Meadow (6 acres) in Dodbrooke, in trust for John Beare of Kingsbridge, gunsmith , (her son) and others. Copy made 14 Feb 1746/7.	Kingsbridge	Plymouth Record Office 176/19
1735	Jeremiah Smith	Dodbrooke Parish CHARITIES Lease for 99 yrs or 3 lives, 1735 ...1. Feoffees of the parish of Dodbrooke 2. Jeremiah Smith of Kingsbridge, gunsmith Part of stable, two chambers over and a curtilage used as a swine court in Kingsbridge Rent: 10s...	Kingsbridge	5721A/PF/60
c. Easter 1737	Henry Hawkings	QUARTER SESSIONS BUNDLES: MIDSUMMER 1747 PROCESS FILE: INDICTMENTS Indictment found against Richard Heath of Totnes Blacksmith, John Laggard of the same blacksmith, Hugh Downing the younger of the same butcher, Henry Hawkings of the same gunsmith, Bernard Hannaford the younger of the same heelmaker and John Gibbs of Berry Pomeroy ropemaker, for riotous assembly and setting dogs to a bull belonging to John Morrell, driving the bull up and down the streets of Totnes. Offence committed c. Easter 1737 and initially tried Easter 1738. The latest date attested in this document correlates to Easter 1738.. This document may pertain to the Sessions bundles for the years 1737 and 1738 and supporting material may be present within them	Totnes	QS/4/1747/Midsummer Process/PR/91

20 March 1738	Thomas Walters	QUARTER SESSIONS BUNDLES, 1738: EASTER: RECOGNISANCES Joseph Skinner of Colaton Raleigh, cooper, Thomas Walters of the same, gunsmith. Joseph Skinner is bound to appear at the next Quarter Sessions to answer charges	Colaton Raleigh	QS/4/1738/Easter/RE/5
7 April 1738	John Merryfield	QUARTER SESSIONS BUNDLES: 1739: RECOGNISANCES John Merryfield of Hatherleigh gunsmith, Joseph Bayell of the same cooper and James Savery of Exeter yeoman. John Merryfield is bound to appear at the next Quarter Sessions to answer charges of assault and battery on Hannibal Ditchett and to be of good behaviour and to keep the peace towards him	Hatherleigh	QS/4/1738/Easter/RE/59
1738	Henry Hawkins	QUARTER SESSIONS BUNDLES, EASTER: RECOGNISANCES, 7 April 1738 Henry Hawkins of Totnes, gunsmith, William Efford of the same, shoemaker and Anne Oliver of the same, spinster. Henry Hawkins is bound to appear at the next Quarter Sessions to answer charges...	Toynes	QS/4/1738/EASTER/RE/59
1739	John Merryfield	QUARTER SESSIONS BUNDLES: 1739: RECOGNISANCES, 3 August 1739 John Merryfield of Hatherleigh, gunsmith, Joseph Bayell of the same cooper and James Savery of Exeter yeoman. John Merryfield is bound to appear at the next Quarter Sessions to answer charges...	Hatherleigh	QS/4/1739/Michaelmas/RE/14

1739	David May	Cullompton Parish OVERSEERS OF THE POOR Settlement Certificates David May, gunsmith, Tiverton, 1739	Tiverton	2404A/PO/197/15
Midsummer 1740	Thomas Walters	QUARTER SESSIONS BUNDLES: MIDSUMMER: PRESENTMENTS AND INDICTMENTS Presentment against Thomas Walters of Honiton, gunsmith for theft of one silver tankard of the value of fifty shillings, property of Andrew Norton gentleman. True bill	Honiton	QS/4/1740/Midsummer/PR/4
1742	John Norman	Conveyance, Uffculmeham 1. William Culleford and Martha Bird, executrix of Lawrence Palmer 2. John Norman of Uffculme, gunsmith	Uffculme	1926B/W/T/26/19-22
1743	William Blackmore	Ottery St Mary Church Corporation OVERSEERS Settlement certificates Stephen Shower wanting to live in Littleham with William Blackmore, gunsmith in Topsham, 1743	Ottery St Mary	3327A/PO/79/8
10 April 1749	Lawrence Norman	QUARTER SESSIONS BUNDLES: 1749: MIDSUMMER: RECOGNISANCES Lawrence Norman of Uffculme, gunsmith, is bound to appear at the next Sessions, to be assessed for maintenance of a male bastard child lately born to Mary Patch of Broadhembury, singlewoman. Surety: John Westbear of Culmstock, yeoman, and George Russell of Burlescombe, barber	Uffculme	QS/4/1749/Midsummer/RE/38

Midsummer 1751	Humphry Hooper	<p>QUARTER SESSIONS BUNDLES: 1751: MIDSUMMER: ENROLLED DEEDS? Enrolment [fragment, perhaps used only as wrapper] of: 24 November 1747 ? Mortgage</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. William Karlake of Northlew, yeoman 2. Mary Peeters of Exeter, widow <p>Recites: 3 November 1724 Lease for 99 years, or three lives, from Henry Luxmoore of Okehampton, gentleman, to Humphry Hooper of Okehampton, gunsmith (the lives being Sarah and Susannah Hooper, daughters of said Humphry), of messuage and tenement called Shool Park alias Shool Parks in Northlew</p> <p>Endorsed with receipt of consideration money of £54 from 2.</p>	Okehampton	QS/4/1751/Midsummer/DE/1
16 October 1752	David May	<p>QUARTER SESSIONS BUNDLES: 1753: EPIPHANY: RECOGNISANCES</p> <p>Thomas Rossiter of Cullompton, taylor, is bound to appear at the next Sessions, accused of assaulting Robert Seaman and Mary, his wife. Sureties: William Trump of Cullompton, glazier, and David May of Cullompton, gunsmith</p>	Cullompton	QS/4/1753/Epiphany/RE/36
1756	Jonah Furseacot	<p>QUARTER SESSIONS BUNDLES: PRESENTMENTS AND INDICTMENTS, Epiphany 1756</p> <p>...Presentment against Jonah Furseacot of Tiverton, gunsmith, for pulling down and destroying the walls of the cottage of Matthew Crocker at Tiverton</p>	Tiverton	QS/4/1756/Epiphany/PR/44

1757	William Rigsby	<p>QUARTER SESSIONS BUNDLES: 1757: EASTER: RECOGNISANCES, 7 March 1757</p> <p>...William Rigsby of Chulmleigh, gunsmith, is bound to appear at the next Session, accused of assaulting and beating the Revd. Lewis Greenslade. Surety: William Pridham of Chulmleigh, husbandman...</p>	Chudleigh	QS/4/1757/Easter/RE/21
1760	Lawrence Norman	<p>Mortgage, Southey Barton.</p> <p>1. William Thomas of West Buckland, Somerset, gent. 2. John Westbear of Culmstock, yeoman 3. Lawrence Norman of Uffculme, gunsmith</p> <p>Principal: £50</p> <p>Premises: ¼ part of Henniker's Meadow, part Southey Barton</p> <p>Term: 1000 years</p> <p>Premises: other ¾ parts of Henniker's Meadow</p> <p>Term: 99 years or 2 lives</p>	Uffculme	4243M/T/296
13 February- 14 February 1761	William Wood; John Crocombe; John Barnett	<p>Releases by Thomas Cople of Befordshire, gentleman</p> <p>Voters & Parties: includes;</p> <p>William Wood - Tavistock, gunsmith - Taylor's Meadow one 12th part - occupied by Ben Warren</p> <p>John Crocombe - Tavistock, gunsmith - Burgage Meadow - one 12th part - occupied by Ben Warren</p> <p>John Barnett - Tavistock, gunsmith - House and garden - one 12th part - occupied by Mary Scawen</p>	Tavistock	L1258M/0/SS/E/1/3a

1761	John Crocombe	Releases to Thomas Butcher Voters & Parties: 10. William Wood - Tavistock, gunsmith - Taylor's Meadow - one 12th part - occupied by Ben Warren 11. John Crocombe - Tavistock, gunsmith - Burgage Meadow - one 12th part - occupied by Ben Warren	Tavistock	L1258M/0/SS/E/1/3b
1762	John Anderson	Lease and Release 1. Thomas Power of Badgeworth, Ware, Somerset, esquire 2. John Anderson of Stoke Damerell, gunsmith Premises: messuage, garden, stable and plot outside East Gate adjoining lane on west leading from Fore Street towards the south Consideration: £100 Date: 21/22 September 2 Geo III	Stoke Damerell	4628M/T/3
1 January 1767	John Pollard	Crediton Assignment of Lease) Jane Tregenna late of Crediton but now of London, spinster (2) John Pollard of Crediton, gunsmith Glanfields Tenement, in the West Town of Crediton Consideration: £36. Recites earlier Lease dated 5 July 1746.	Crediton	Z1/10/776
1768	John Norman	Marriage settlement John Norman of Uffculme, gunsmith and Mary Gillard of Culmstock, spinster Premises: Uffculmeham and houses near Coldharbour,	Uffculme	1926B/W/FS/10/1-2

18 August 1769	John Pollard	Crediton Surrender (1) John Pollard of Crediton, gunsmith (2) Henry Tuckfield of Fulford, esq. Plot or toft of ground in the West Town of Crediton whereon Glanfields Tenement formerly stood till burnt down in the fire of 1 May 1769; these premises were assigned to Pollard by deed dated 1 January 1767. Consideration: 5/-.	Crediton	Z1/10/776
1771	John Anderson	Lease and Release 1. John Anderson of Totnes, gunsmith 2. John Scobell of Totnes, gent. Premises: as 4628M/T/3-4 Consideration: £130 Date: 3/4 April 11 Geo III	Totnes	4628M/T/5
1778	John Jutsum	Peter & Peter Solicitors of Launceston OFFICIAL Appointment of Keeper of the Prison, 18th February 1778 ...1) Humphry Hall of Manadon esquire, Sheriff of Devon 2) John Jutsum junior of the parish of Exeter St. Thomas, gunsmith; John Jutsum senior of Halberton, yeoman; Ralph Jutsum of Dulverton, Somerset...	Exeter	531M/O/S/15
3 March 1783	William Blackmore	Littleham Parish, Exmouth John Blackmore apprenticed to William Blackmore, Gunsmith	Littleham Parish, Exmouth	2932A/PO/3/b/127

28 Sep 1790	Richard Cock	Plymouth Borough records: tenements near St Andrew's Church stile - Deed Description: Lease for 99 years 1) Mayor and Commonalty of the Borough of Plymouth 2) Richard Cock of Plymouth, gunsmith , executor of John Giles, merchant Two messuages or tenements next to St Andrew's Church stile Rent: 40s per annum	Plymouth	1/720/358
1804	Nicholas Peek	Devon: Marriage Bonds and Allegations for the year 1804 Marriage of Nicholas Peek of Saint Mary Major in Exeter, gunsmith to Ann Garland of Saint Mary Major in Exeter, spinster, 26th July 1804	Exeter	DEX/7/b/1/1804/288
1808	Thos Butler	Barnstaple APPRENTICESHIP John Connibear, age 7 (son of Elizabeth Oram) apprenticed to Philip Bremridge, gent: (Re-assigned to Thos Butler, gunsmith,1810), 1808	Barnstable	B28Z/2/79
1812	John Tacknell	DIOCESE OF EXETER REGISTRATION Marriage Bonds & Allegations Marriage of William Sutton Williams, late carpenter's clerk on HMS Gibraltar, a bachelor to Sarah Davies Tanton of Stoke Damerel, spinster, 25th May 1812 ...Witness: John Tacknell of Plymouth Dock, gunsmith, who produced a document, signed by Mary Tanton (Sarah's mother), confirming that Sarah was over the age of 21.	Plymouth	DEX/7/b/1/1812/207

1832	Robert Heard	Lease and release for the purpose of making a partition, Beaford, 1832 ...1) Anthony and William Snell 2) Robert Heard of Beaford, gunsmith Premises: two water grist mills, Beaford Wood (coppice), a house and other property in Beaford	Beaford	4222M/22
1842	James Bridle	Julia Bale apprenticed to James Bridle, gunsmith, 1842 Barnstaple	Barnstable	B28Z/2/468
1842	John Harvey	St Mary Major Parish, Exeter Release in Fee: Exeter [Holy Trinity, St Lawrence, St Mary Steps, St Leonard, St Petrock and St Mary Major], 6 September, 1842 ...(1) John Harvey of Exeter, gunsmith, John Upjohn of Exeter, watchmaker, both surviving Trustees of the parish of St. Mary Major (2) Rev. John Fisher Turner, rector of St. Mary Major (3) The new...	Exeter	51/1/8/7

National Archives				
06 October 1691	James Hamblin	Will of James Hamblin, Gunsmith and now belonging to Their Majesty's Ship Royal Sovereign of Barnstaple, Devon		PROB 11/406
29 November 1770	Robert Bennett	Will of Robert Bennett, Gunsmith and Cuttler but now Armours Mate of His Majesty's Ship Resolution of Plymouth , Devon		PROB 11/961

08 March 1782	John Norman	Will of John Norman, Gunsmith of Uffculme, Devon	Uffculme	PROB 11/1088
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DORSET

Dorset Record Office

2 Jan 1634	Richard Bolte	Bargain and sale of dwelling in High Street, Weymouth. (1) John Mounsell, salter and citizen of London (2) Richard Bolte of Weymouth and Melcombe Regis, gunsmith and Joan his wife	Weymouth and Melcombe Regis	D-RGB/KF/55
12 May 1714	Daniel Byles	Blandford Forum Parish Apprenticeship Indenture of Ann Dunbavell - Apprenticed to Daniel Byles, gun smith	Blandford Forum	PE-BF/OV/6/1/9
18 May 1753	Joseph Bishop	Blandford Forum Parish Removal Order made against Joseph Bishop, cutler and gunsmith - Removed to Shepton Mallett, Somerset	Blandford Forum	PE-BF/OV/5/2/59
19 Jul 1778	William Tucker	John Skinner vs William Tucker of Poole, gunsmith Indictment: theft of two deal boards to the value of £0.0.10	Poole	DC-PL/C/B/2/1/185

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25 July 1840	Edmund Hallson	Will of Edmund Hallson, Gunsmith of Allington, Dorset	Allington	PROB 11/1931
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DURHAM

Durham Record Office

17 August 1774	John Swainston	The Churchwardens and Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of Bowes Bond of (1) to (2) in £50 to indemnify the parish of Bowes in respect of the bastard child with which Hannah Newton of Bowes is pregnant (1) John Bellwood of Ingleton, yeoman and John Swainston the younger of Barnard Castle, gunsmith (2) John Aislabie of Bowes, yeoman; Thomas Stephenson of Stoney Keld, yeoman; Thomas Sayer of Stoney Keld, yeoman; Francis Thompson of Hunderthwaite, Bowes, yeoman	Barnard Castle	Ref: D/MOB 7/21
8 May 1801	Carter Nixon	Agreement for the sale by (1) to (2) of a messuage in Gilligate, Durham City [see also D/HH 3/5/1 -County Durham Deeds above] (1) Carter Nixon of Durham, gunsmith (2) George Wheldon of Durham, cheesemonger Consideration: £195	Durham	Ref: D/HH 3/8/13
1804	Carter Nixon	Draft release by (1) and (2) to (4) of a messuage in Gilligate, Durham. Covenant to levy a fine and to produce title deeds (1) Mary Proud, widow and Ann Laing, spinster, both of Durham (the only children of Jonathan Laing of Sherburn, deceased) (2) Carter Nixon of Durham, gunsmith and Jane, his wife (formerly the wife of Jonathan Laing) (3) George Wheldon of Durham, gentleman (4) Thomas Wheldon (son of (3))	Durham	Ref: D/HH 3/1/6/4

12 July 1809	Joseph Richardson	(1) The Churchwardens and the Guardians of the Poor of Darlington Apprenticeship indenture of (2), aged 15 years, to (3) until the age of 21 years (2) John Richardson, a poor child (3) Joseph Richardson of Darlington, gunsmith and shuttle maker (brother of (2)) Consideration: 30s.	Darlington	Ref: D/X 666/34
May 1821 - November 1830	Harland	Account book of Mr. Harland, gunsmith of Kirby Malzard near Ripon, Yorks.	Kirby Malzard	Ref: D/HH 11/147

EAST RIDING - YORKSHIRE

1732	William Johnson	Petition of William Johnson of Beverley, gunsmith: - for relief being impoverished by cost of prosecuting Thomas Newton, bailiff of Howdenshire and his servant John Milner who had defrauded him	Beverley	QSF/98/D/5
16 Jul 1807	Owen Probin	Bastardy examination of Ann Linwood, singlewoman Parish: Hedon Sex of child: male Date of birth: 28 Jun 1807 Father: Owen Probin Abode/occupation: Hull, gunsmith	Hull	DDHE/17/10/95

1 May 1810	William Taylor	Indictment of William Taylor of Kingston upon Hull, gunsmith:- passing counterfeit money to Cecily Rickatson at Sculcoates House of Correction - 6 months Witness: William Rickatson	Kingston upon Hull	QSF/407/B/5
27 Mar 1816	William Taylor	Apprenticeship indenture entry relating to William Constable Son of John Constable of Beverley, bellman and apprenticed to William Taylor of Beverley, gunsmith	Beverley	BC/IV/7/2 Number 1777
30 Apr 1821	William Taylor	Apprenticeship indenture entry relating to Esau Akrill Son of Mary Akrill of Beverley, widow and apprenticed to William Taylor of Beverley, gunmaker	Beverley	BC/IV/7/2 Number 1920
8 Jul 1823	Henry Wallis	Recognizance of Henry Wallis of Kingston upon Hull gunsmith and Henry Lee keeper of the house of correction in Hull :- Recognizance of £20 each to prefer a bill of indictment against Thomas Binnington for a larceny	Kingston upon Hull	QSR/1/94/32
11 Sep 1826	William Taylor	Apprenticeship indenture entry relating to Henry Taylor Son of William Taylor of Beverley and apprenticed to Henry Taylor of Beverley, gunsmith	Beverley	BC/IV/7/2 Number 2181
24 Sep 1830	Thomas Rosindale	Conviction of Thomas Rosindale of Kingston upon Hull, gunsmith:-vagrancy, found in the kitchen of the dwelling house of Charles Frost of Albion Street Sculcoates House of Correction = one month hard labour Oath: Samuel Moor, servant to Charles Frost	Kingston upon Hull	QSF/489/F/12

21 Mar 1834	William Taylor	Apprenticeship indenture entry relating to William Needler Son of Elizabeth Needler of Beverley, widow and apprenticed to William Taylor of Beverley, gunmaker	Beverley	BC/IV/7/2 Number 2266 (duplicated)
1836	Edward Withers	Bastardy order of Edward Withers Session: 1836 Epiphany Father: Edward Withers Father's residence: Glanford Brigg, Lincoln Father's job: gunsmith Mother: Elizabeth Roantree Mother's residence: Bilton	Glanford Brigg, Lincoln	QSU/1/37/14
27 Mar 1837	Esau Ackrill	Apprenticeship indenture entry relating to John Hutton Son of Henry Hutton of Beverley, innkeeper and apprenticed to Esau Ackrill of Beverley, gunmaker	Beverley	BC/IV/7/2 Number 2354

ESSEX

Essex Record Office

25 March 1645.	William Thomson	Conveyance: (Feoffment): for £33. Thomas (Lord of Hoath, executor of Thomas Williamson of Little Horkesley (county Essex), gentleman), William Thomson, GUNSMITH, William Garrett, cooper (son of Ann G., deceased.), both of Kingston upon Hull (county York), to Robert Boucheir, tailor, & Thomas Gladwyn, miller, both of Nayland, Suffolk.	Kingston upon Hull	D/DXi 11
17 December 1718	Robert Farr	Will of Judith Farr, wife of Robert Farr of Harwich, gunsmith	Harwich	D/ABW 82/295

1765	Thomas Lawrence	COURT OF QUARTER SESSIONS includes Thomas Lawrence of Colchester, GUNSMITH - details not recorded	Colchester	D/B 5 SBb1/4
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National Archives

03 April 1843	James Starnes	Will of James Starnes, Gunsmith of Romford , Essex	Romford	PROB 11/1978
14 September 1844	Thomas Homer	Will of Thomas Homer, Gunmaker of Westham , Essex	Westham	PROB 11/2005

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1727	William Heasler	Heasler, William (Male) gun maker, All Hallows Barking Event Details Drapers'	All Hallows, Barking	London Livery Companies - Drapers Company
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GLoucestershire

Gloucestershire Record Office

20 June 1644	Richard Smyth	Eastington/Northleach leases (2) - includes; Counterpart lease (20 June 1644) by John Dutton, to Richard Smyth of Northlach, gunsmith and Richard his son (also of Northlach, gunsmith), of a burgage and appurtenances in which Thomas James the younger dwells, in about the middle of the town of Northlach, formerly in the occupation of Thomas Batman, weaver, between burgages occupied by George Loveringe and Christopher Wadlye, and a beast pasture upon a down called Northlach Thornes, for the term of their lives successively; consideration of 10/-; rent 20/- p.a.; appointment of Thomas Page and William Dutton as attorneys to deliver seisin.	Northlach	D678/1 T1/11/161-182
10 November 1692	Richard Smith	Eastington/Northleach leases (6) includes; Counterpart lease in reversion by Dutton, to Richard Smith the younger of Northlach, gunsmith, of a burgage in Northleach, in about the middle of the town, between the houses of John Harding and Thomas Wadley, and now in the possession of Richard Smith the elder (father) under a lease of 20 June 1643, from the termination of the interest of Richard the elder, for a term of 99 years, determining on the deaths of Richard the younger and Jane Smith, his sister; consideration of 50/-; rent 20/- p.a.	Northlach	D678/1 T1/11/249-271

1 March 1704/5	John Smyth	Northleach leases (16): by the Whitmore family, lords of the manor of Northleach includes; Lease in reversion by Whitmore, to Benjamin Wright of Northleach, glover, of a tenement in the possession of John Smyth the elder, gunsmith, with a shop and part of a garden (the Old Saw Pit), for a term of 99 years from the death of Alice Smith, determining on the deaths of Benjamin (aged 30) and Elizabeth his wife (aged 40).	Northlach	D678/1 T1/11/399-416
18 May 1742	Robert Bolster	Will of Mary Jones of Swansea, Glamorgan, widow bequeathing £600 to Robert Bolster of Bristol, gunsmith (recorded 1725-68 - B.Godwin, <i>Bristol Gunmakers From the 16th to 20th Century</i> , Bath 2012).	Bristol	West Glamorgan Archives RISW/Co 272
16 April 1746	John Harris	Assignment: Two messuages and gardens in the parish of St. Nicholas, Westgate Street (1) Jeremiah JENNINGS of Gloucester city, tailor (2) John HARRIS, of Gloucester city, gunsmith, Sarah his wife (3) James WALKER, senior, of Gloucester city, blacksmith Terms: remainder of terms of 30 and 40 years Consideration: 5 shillings Witnesses: Charles BARROW, Francis STRATFORD	Gloucester	D2957/160/203
24 June 1758	William Ashley	Assignment of mortgage concerning a messuage in Hailes Street, Winchcombe Main parties to deeds: Richard Hancock, miller of Toddington; Richard Bell the younger, cordwainer of Winchcombe and Hannah, his wife; William Ashley, gunsmith of Winchcombe	Winchcombe	D2202/9/2 (part)

20 November 1761	Thomas Packer	Lease for a year - messuage and lands in Alstone and Arle, Cheltenham. Parties: Thomas Packer, gunsmith of Cheltenham; John Whithorne gentleman of Charlton Kings	Cheltenham	D3554/2/49
1837	Samuel Davis	Appentice records 1837 Charles Hopkins, Wotton-under-Edge, to Samuel Davis, of Thornbury, clock and watch maker and gunsmith	Thornbury	D892/Z12
18 & 19 November 1840	Samuel Matthews	Minutes of proceedings in cases of insolvent debtors under Acts of 5 George IV, c.61, and 7 George IV, c.57 Samuel Matthews, of Cheltenham, journeyman gunsmith	Cheltenham	Q/RID/2
1842	Thomas Fletcher	Conveyance 31 October 1842: Messuage in Southgate Street 1) Thomas COOK of Gloucester City, maltster. Reuben COOK of Gloucester City, maltster. (2) Thomas FLETCHER of Glouc. City, gunsmith Consideration: £330	Gloucester	D3117/3837

1851- 1980	Thomas Fletcher	The records of Fletchers of Gloucester, gunsmiths and sports dealers The firm's founder, Thomas Fletcher, had gunsmith's premises in Westgate Street, Gloucester, by 1829. His father, William, may have been one of the two gunsmiths by that name recorded in Tewkesbury in 1820 (Thomas was baptised at Tewkesbury on 3 January 1808); his younger brother, also named William, worked with him at Gloucester but later set up his own business. By 1842, a Gloucester trade directory lists Thomas Fletcher at 161 Westgate Street and William Fletcher at Cross Keys Lane - full entry at Gloucester Archives	Gloucester	D4490
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National Archives				
08 June 1655	William Jones	Will of William Jones, Gunsmith of Bristol, Gloucestershire	Bristol	PROB 11/248
25 February 1718	John Lamb	Will of John Lamb, Gunsmith of Bristol, Gloucestershire	Bristol	PROB 11/562
16 February 1725	Lazarus Brain	Will of Lazarus Brain, Gun Smith of Bristol, Gloucestershire	Bristol	PROB 11/601
21 February 1732	Francis Hill	Will of Francis Hill, Gun Smith of Bristol, Gloucestershire	Bristol	PROB 11/649
10 October 1777	Joseph Callaway	Will of Joseph Callaway, Gunsmith of Bristol , Gloucestershire	Bristol	PROB 11/1035

July 17 1804	Francis Inman	Abstract of Administration of Francis Inman, Gunsmith of Bristol, Gloucestershire. Proved in the Court of Bristol.	Bristol	IR 26/294
10 September 1832	Joseph Fisher	Will of Joseph Fisher, Gun Maker of Bristol , Somerset	Bristol	PROB 11/1805

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1656	Thomas Harris	Harris, Thomas (Male) Gunsmith, The Citie of Gloucester	Gloucester	London Livery Companies -
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Bristol City Archives

25 March 1684	John Smith	Title Lease for five years 1) Samuel Rollstone of Stoney-Hill, Bristol, gent. 2) John Smith of Farley, Backwell, Som. gunsmith Allen's tenement and closes as above. Annual rent: £48 Date [1684] March 25, 36 Charles II	Backwell	AC/WO/6/4
22 October 1707	Robert Goning	Title Lease and Surrender Lease for 99 years or 3 lives, and counterpart. 1. Feoffees 2. James Baskerville gent. Premises: a messuage in Corne Street formerly in the tenure of Martin Nelmes and now of Robert Goning, Gunsmith Consideration : £17 Rent : £3 p.a. 1732 December 20	Bristol	P.Xch/D/11/a i-iii

10 September 1735	Robert Goning	<p>Title Lease and Surrender Lease for 99 years or 3 lives; and counterpart 1. Feoffees 2. Robert Maundrell, gent Premises: a messuage on Corn Street pa. St. Werbergh formerly in the tenure of Martin Nelmes, gent, and then of Robert Gonning gunsmith and lately rebuilt and occupied by James Baskervile and now in the tenure of the said Robert Maundrell. Abuttals given Consideration: £44 Rent : £3 p.a. 1742 September 22</p>	Bristol	P.Xch/D/11/c i-iii
23 Sept 1742	Robert Goning	<p>Title Lease for 99 years or 3 lives Description 1. Feoffees 2. Robert Maundrell, gent Premises: A messuage in Corn Street pa. St. Werburgh, formerly in the tenure of Martin Nelmes gent and then of Robert Gonning, gunsmith then of James Baskervile the elder and rebuilt by him, and now in the tenure of the said Robert Maundrell. Abuttals given: Consideration : £44 Rent : £3 pa</p>	Bristol	P.Xch/D/11/di

1 October 1748	Thomas Annely	Title Counterpart lease for lives Description (1) Feoffees of the Free Grammar School (named) (2) Thomas Annely of Bristol, gunsmith Windmill House, and garden and orchard Consideration: £8 Rent: 1 shilling p.a.	Bristol	35749/107 a
28 July 1760	Thomas Badger	Lease and Surrender 1760 July 28 Surrender 1. Thomas Badger, gunsmith, son and devisee of Thomas Badger, soapmaker dec. 2. Mary Wilcox, widow, late Mary Wilkins widow, daughter and executrix of Thomas Badger decd. 3. Feoffees Premises: a messuage in the Pithay pa. Christ Church, late in the tenure of Richard Standfast, clerk and then of Samuel Winny. Abuttals given ii 1694 August 29 Lease : as in P/Xch/D/30a	Bristol	P.Xch/D/30/ci-ii
24 June 1768	William Gabbitas	Title Assignment of a lease Description 1. Edward Nicholas, merchant Jeremiah Hill, malster John Dowell, hatter assignees of the estate of Abraham Parsons, merchant, bankrupt. 2. William Gabbitas, gunsmith. Premises: as in P/Xch/D/51a Consideration: £98 Rent: 15s.	Bristol	P.Xch/D/51/b

29 Sept 1768	Thomas Annely	Title Counterpart lease for lives Description (1) Feoffees of Free Grammar School (2) Thomas Annely of Bristol, gunsmith Dwelling house called Windmill House, with garden and orchard Consideration: £5.55 Rent: 1 shilling p.a.	Bristol	35749/107 b
1778	Thomas Annely	Title Unexecuted lease Description (1) Feoffees of Free Grammar School (2) Thomas Annely of Bristol, gunsmith Windmill House with garden and orchard Rent: 5 shillings p.a.	Bristol	35749/107 c
1778	Thomas Annely	Title Unsigned indenture of lease of lands of Edmonds' Charity Description (1) Feoffees of Edmonds' Lands (named) (2) Thomas Annely of Bristol, gunsmith	Bristol	35749/119 a
22 Apr 1779	John Smith	Release (attested copy) 1 James Emerson, spelter maker, and Mary his wife 2 William Webley, gentleman 3 Clement Leman, accountant, and John Smith, gunsmith premises in Somerset and Gloucestershire Consideration: 5/-	Somerset and Gloucestershire	41214/Box 20/2/3

1760 July 28	Thomas Badger	<p>Title Lease and Surrender Surrender</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Thomas Badger, gunsmith, son and devisee of Thomas Badger, soapmaker dec. 2. Mary Wilcox, widow, late Mary Wilkins widow, daughter and executrix of Thomas Badger decd. 3. Feoffees <p>Premises: a messuage in the Pithay pa. Christ Church, late in the tenure of Richard Standfast, clerk and then of Samuel Winny. Abuttals given ii 1694 August 29 Lease : as in P/Xch/D/30a</p>	Bristol	P.Xch/D/30/ci-ii
1779 Apr 22	John Smith	<p>Title Release (attested copy) Description 1 James Emerson, spelter maker, and Mary his wife 2 William Webley, gentleman 3 Clement Leman, accountant, and John Smith, gunsmith premises in Somerset and Gloucestershire Consideration: 5/-</p>	premises in Somerset and Gloucestershire	41214/Box 20/2/3
24th November 1797	Williain Heard	<p>Deed House fronting Bristol - Bedminster Road. Award John Wilcox, merchant, Wintour Harris gent., and Joseph Smith, barrister of Bristol to Thomas Wiltshire brazier, Williain Heard, gunmaker</p>	Bristol	

24 Jun 1824	George Clough	<p>Title Assignment</p> <p>Description 1 Theodore Tickell, esquire, Elizabeth Tickell, spinster and Maria Tickell, spinster</p> <p>2 William Crook, gentleman</p> <p>3 George Clough, gunsmith</p> <p>house in Lyncombe and Widcombe (Bath), Somerset</p> <p>Consideration: £650</p> <p>(with Assignment dated 24 June 1824 endorsed</p> <p>1 Elizabeth Tickell, widow and Elizabeth spinster</p> <p>2 Theodore Tickell, Elizabeth Tickell and Maria Tickell</p> <p>3 George Clough</p> <p>relating to a one quarter share in the same house)</p>	Bath	41214/Box 5/17/2
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HAMPSHIRE

Hampshire Record Office

1640 - 1664	Thomas Goslinge	Leases of tenement and garden formerly held by Thomas Pottinger and now George Clement (1640) on the south side of the lane between Wongar Street and Tanner Street (called Silver Hill by 1664) and on the north side of the High Street (Silver Hill, Winchester) 1) George Clement of Winchester, locksmith, 16 Sep 1640 2) Thomas Goslinge of Winchester, gunsmith, 5 May 1664	Winchester	W/F3/321
1648-1649	Thomas Goslinge	Apprenticeship indenture of Andrew Cooke, aged 15, son of Anthony Cooke of Winchester, blacksmith. Apprneticed to Thomas Gosling of Winchester, gunsmith	Winchester	W/D3/325/3
1654	Richard Powell	Winchester deed Feoffment of messuage with garden adjacent, near High Street, Winchester, Margaret Mompesson and her son George, to Richard Powell of Winchester, gunsmith	Winchester	5M56
1670	John Martell (Martill)	Inventory of John Martell (Martill) of Newport, Isle of Wight, gunsmith	Newport	1670AD/110
1687	John Patten	Inventory of John Patten of Portsmouth, Hampshire, gunsmith	Portsmouth	1687AD/65
1688	Richard Neave	Will and inventory of Anna Neave of Southwick, Hampshire, widow of Richard, gunsmith	Southwick	1688A/085
1692	Henry Stone	Will and inventory of Henry Stone of Basingstoke, Hampshire, gunsmith, husband of Hannah	Basingstoke	1692A/095

28 Apr 1698	Jethro Coles	Lease for 99 years of a messuage and garden in Botley Street, Botley (i) Catherine, dowager duchess of Gainsborough (ii) Jethro Coles of Botley, gunsmith	Botley	5M53/1489
1700	Joseph Whitehorne	Covenants to levy a fine: (i) agrees together with James and Elizabeth Goodeve, William and Sarah Ledell, Samuel and Hannah Bevis to levy a fine on the messuage of (i) with barn, stable, outhouses, orchard and 5 other messuages, 5 curtilages, one barn, one orchard, one garden and 80 acres of land in Gosport and Alverstoke (i) William Patten of Brockhurst, Alverstoke, yeoman, and Mary, his wife (ii) Joseph Whitehorne of Portsmouth, gunsmith	Portsmouth	45M69/8

1685 - 1702	Rowland Wilkes	<p>Leases of houses, edifices, curtilages and gardens, lately part of a corner tenement in Fleshmonger Street; and (B) buildings etc being part of a corner tenement in Fleshmonger Street comprising the following: room formerly used as a stable with little room adjoining and a parlour in the corner; corner chamber and little closet adjoining; two lofts formerly used as haylofts; cellar under the parlour; and as much of the curtilage as is fenced out and late occupied by John Beare (1663) then (1685) Richard Beare his son then (1715) Rowland Wilks.</p> <p>Includes;</p> <p>3) Rowland Wilkes of Winchester, gunsmith, 17 Aug 1685 (A and B)</p> <p>4) Rowland Wilkes of Winchester, gunsmith, 10 Mar 1701-02 (A and B)</p> <p>5) Rowland Wilkes of Winchester, gunsmith, 17 Nov 1715 (A and B)</p> <p>6) John Wilks the elder of Winchester, ironmonger, son and sole executor of the will of Rowland Wilks late of Winchester, ironmonger, decd, 25 Mar 1731 (A and B)</p>	Winchester	W/F3/288
1704	Thomas Crew	Will of Thomas Crew, son, of Lymington, Hampshire, gunsmith - Has plantation, Newfoundland	Lymington	1704A/030
1704	Jethro Coles	Will of Jethro Coles of Botley, Hampshire, gunsmith Husband of Jane	Botley	1704B/10

13 May 1709	James Mooreing	Lease for a year of a messuage in Christchurch (i) James Mooreing of Christchurch, gunsmith (ii) Samuel Hookey of Christchurch, yeoman, Richard Elliott of Holdenhurst, yeoman, John Edwards of Holdenhurst, yeoman, John Edwards of Holdenhurst, yeoman, Henry Rookes of Holdenhurst, yeoman, Joshua Stevens of Christchurch, shopkeeper (iii) James Mooreing, junior of Christchurch	Christchurch	27A01/C10/1
19 Jan 1711	Richard Hogman	Mortgage: messuage and two cottages and gardens in Wongar Street) Edward Knapp the elder of Winchester, wheelwright, and Elizabeth his wife. i) Edward Knapp the younger of Winchester, wheelwright ii) Richard Hogman of Winchester, gunsmith	Winchester	49M95/597
1714	William Harrison	Will of William Harrison of Newport, Isle of Wight, gunsmith	Newport,	1714A/056
1718	Richard Smith	Leases of tenement and garden on south side of the High Street, Winchester, land held by Richard Smith, gunsmith (1718), then Richard Smith, sadler .	Winchester	W/F3/155
19 Dec 1719	Richard Heyman	Messuage and two cottages and two gardens in Wongar Street, Winchester (i) Edmund Knapp of Winchester, maltster (ii) Richard Heyman of Winchester, gunsmith	Winchester	25M76/A11/15
1719	Richard Heyman	Will of Richard Heyman of Winchester, Hampshire, gunsmith	Winchester	1719A/058

20 May 1721	Thomas Bye	Bond for the administration of the estate of Joane Barling Administration granted to Thomas Bye, senior of St Michaels in Winchester, gunsmith	Winchester	21M65/D4/1721/1
1721	Antony Yeoman	Sacrament certificate for Thomas White of Winchester, gent, of St Maurice, Winchester parish Officiating clergy: Daniel Wavell Churchwarden: William Prior Witnesses: Henry Read, gent; Antony Yeoman, gunsmith of Winchester	Winchester	Q25/2/23/33
1724	Cornelius Savidge	Memorandum of agreement relating to lands in Litton, Somerset John Paine junior of Wells, gent on behalf of Mr Cheyney, prebendary of Litton, gent on behalf of Mr Cheyney, prebendary of Litton, gent in consideration of 380 agrees to convey to Cornelius Savidge of Litton, gunsmith: messuage at Greendon in the manor or prebend of Litton, three closes adjoining (7a), three closes under the way called Junks (6a), New Close (5a), 2 and a half acres called Splotts. 2a land at Hunters, 3 a at the Quarrs and 1 and a half acres called The Grove	Litton, Somerset	111M94W/P62
1726	Joshua Coombs	Will of Joshua Coombs of Newport, Isle of Wight, gunsmith	Newport	1726A/027
1729	Henry Kettlewell (Kettelwell)	Will of Henry Kettlewell (Kettelwell) of Bishops Waltham, Hampshire, gunsmith	Bishops Waltham	1729P/042

1730	Richard Smith	Leases of a tenement with appurtenances under the Guildhall on the south side of the High Street, Winchester Between a Hospital tenement held by Matthew Imber, gent 1730-1907 (1730) then Luke Imber, clerk (1765) on the west and a City tenement and garden late held by Charles Aldredge, then Richard Smith, gunsmith (1730) then Richard Smith, sadler (1765) on the east and south	Winchester	34M91W/497
1732	Richard Smith	Sacrament certificate for Thomas Barefoot, Esq of St Thomas parish. Winchester Officiating clergy: William Jefferies Churchwarden: George Stockings Witnesses: Henry Hutchins, tailor, Richard Smith, gunsmith	Winchester	Q25/2/35/18
1734	William Sparshott (Spashat)	Will of William Sparshott (Spashat) of Portsea, Hampshire, gunsmith Land in Prince George Street	Portsea	1734A/112
1736	Robert Head	Probate administration of Robert Head of Southampton, Hampshire, an infant Son of Robert, gunsmith	Southampton	1736AD/059

18 Nov 1739	Thomas Hawkins	Lease and mortgage for 1 and 1,000 years: land in Bentley, namely one acre in common meadow called The Mere (or More); a purrock called Wildmore; 1/2 acre in Turnbrooke Maad; a purrock called The Trundle (1/2 acre). i) George Rutter of Shawford, Surrey, butcher, and Hannah his wife ii) Thomas Hawkins of Bentley, gunsmith, and Elizabeth his wife iii) Thomas Eggar of Bentley, yeoman Final concord (2 copies) in eight days of St Martin, parties as above with Thomas Eggar being the plaintiff.	Bentley	74M75/E/T30
1740	William Coombs	Will of William Coombs of Newport, Isle of Wight, gunsmith, son of Jonathan	Newport	1740A/040
1741	John Hewitt (Hewit)	Administration, renunciation and bond of John Hewitt (Hewit) of Havant, Hampshire, gunsmith	Havant	1741AD/105
1742	Richard Smith	Bounded by W: St John's hospital tenement held by Mathew Imber, gent (1742) then Luke Imber, clerk City tenement late held by Charles Aldredge and now by Richard Smith, gunsmith (1742) then Richard Smith, sadler (1765)		W/F3/157
1743	Henry Pouncey	Will of Henry Pouncey of Portsmouth, Hampshire, gunsmith	Portsmouth	1743A/078
1743	Thomas Shepherd (Shepard)	Will of Thomas Shepherd (Shepard) of Lymington, Hampshire, gunsmith	Lymington	1743A/086
1754	Thomas Crew	Will of Thomas Crew of Lymington, Hampshire, gunsmith	Lymington	1754A/025

1757	Robert Head	Deeds relating to the messuages, cottages and pieces of land at Pond Head, Lyndhurst In 1757, Robert Head of Southampton, gunsmith, released certain trusts in one and a half acres of land at Pond Head Corner, to John Godfrey of Southampton, gent, and assigned the same to Robert Godfrey of Romsey, gent.	Southampton	25M55/122-143
1787	Terrance O'Brien (O'Bryon)	Probate administration of Terrance O'Brien (O'Bryon) of St Michael, Southampton, Hampshire, gunsmith	Southampton	1787AD/41
1790	Charles Elkins	Bundle of deeds and papers relating to a tenement, orchard and blacksmith's shop in Wrecclesham, Surrey Bundle includes: will of Charles Elkins, 16 Apr 1785; copy of will of Charles Elkins, 14 Jun 1792; abstract of title of William Elkins, recites from 1754 Owners and occupiers include: John Robinson of Binsted, yeoman, 1754; Charles Elkins of Wrecclesham, blacksmith, 1754; Charles Elkins of Farnham, gunsmith, 1790	Farnham	120A03/41/16
1793	Thomas Palser	Will of Thomas Palser of Ringwood, Hampshire, gunsmith	Ringwood	1793P/12
1799	Charles Elkins	Title deeds to property in Wrecclesham, Farnham, Surrey 1: release of a messuage, blacksmith's shop, etc, by Mary Elkins (widow of Charles Elkins of Farnham, gunsmith, who was son of Charles Elkins of Wrecclesham, blacksmith)	Farnham	21M92/33/2
1818	Thomas North	Will, administration and bond of Thomas North of Winchester, Hampshire, gunsmith	Winchester	1842A/017

14 Nov 1818	Charles Moore	Declaration of the justices of the peace as to the suitability of Charles Moore of Lymington, gunsmith, to apprentice Henry Young, aged 13 years	Lymington	42M75/PO1/165
1837	Caleb Butler	Will of Caleb Butler of Purewell, Christchurch, Hampshire, gunsmith and clockmaker/watchmaker	Christchurch	1837A/020
1842	William Cantelo	Will of William Cantelo of Newport, Isle of Wight, gunsmith	Newport	1842A/017
18 Feb 1854	Isaac Hammond	Winchester Corn Exchange Company Agreement concerning the two windows in the north wall of Isaac Hammond's workshop overlooking the Corn Exchange yard i) Shareholders of the Winchester Corn Exchange Company ii) Isaac Hammond of Winchester, gunsmith	Winchester	W/J2/45

National Archives				
04 September 1739	Thomas Hawkins	Will of Thomas Hawkins, Gunsmith of Bentley, Hampshire	Bentley	PROB 11/698
13 August 1782	John Rawlinson	Will of John Rawlinson, Gun Maker belonging to His Majesty's Ship Dunkirk of Portsea, Hampshire		PROB 11/1094
19 July 1794	John Lellyett	Will of John Lellyett, Gunsmith and Silver Smith of Havant, Hampshire	Havant	PROB 11/1248

LONDON METROPOLITAN ARCHIVES

1792 Jul 18	JOHN LELLYETT	ROYAL AND SUN ALLIANCE INSURANCE GROUP Records INSURED: JOHN LELLYETT, HAVANT, HAMPSHIRE, GUNSMITH	HAVANT	LONDON METROPOLITAN ARCHIVES CLC/B/192/F/001/MS11 936/387/603222
1792 Sep 25	THOMAS NORTH	ROYAL AND SUN ALLIANCE INSURANCE GROUP Records INSURED: THOMAS NORTH, PARISH OF ST THOMAS, WINCHESTER, GUNSMITH AND DEALER IN SHOOTING AND FISHING TACKLE	WINCHESTER	LONDON METROPOLITAN ARCHIVES CLC/B/192/F/001/MS11 936/387/605174

HEREFORDSHIRE

Herefordshire Record Office				
1700 - 1709	Nathaniel Barthe	Biddulph Family Papers. Deeds Related Documents. Bonds. Bond for £50 between Nathaniel Barthe of Ledbury, gunsmith and his wife Sible and Edmond Reecs of Ledbury, mason and his sons Edward and Richard.	Ledbury	MSS.512
1731	Luke Matthews	Apprenticeship Indentures. Year 1731. Henry Matthews to Luke Matthews, Gunsmith	Hereford	Hereford City Records BG11/11/130

1779	Abraham Jennings	Records of Hill Court Estate. Bundle of bills and vouchers of Mrs Jane Clarke. Tradesmen include: Abraham Jennings, gunsmith, John Dod, shoemaker, Jermyn Street, London, Catherine Knapp, dressmaker, George Street, Pall Mall, James	Herefordshire	F8/III/239
1789	Jennings	Bundle of papers including letters about a dispute over land of Mr Jowling, 1749. Records of Hill Court Estate. dressing buckskins "for servants use", 1788. Bill for tea, 1795. Bill for parts for a new gun supplied by Jennings the gunsmith, 1789.	Herefordshire	F8/III/233

HERTFORDSHIRE

Hertfordshire Record Office				
11 Mar 1679/80	Godfrey Taylor	Bond [relating to an indenture now missing] Richard Dyer of St Botolph's, Aldgate, London, gunmaker, to Godfrey Taylor of the same, gunmaker	Aldgate, London	DE/Hx/Z48
27 Dec 1740 - 19 Jan 1741	John Rotherham	Bill from John Rotherham, gunsmith - Mending guns	????	DE/R/F115/2
19 Sep 1780 - 30 Apr 1782	John Clark	Bill from John Clark, gunsmith For repairs and engraving [address 133 near Furnivals Inn, Holborn]	Holborn, London	DE/R/F226/27
14 December 1719	Edward Bolton	Charles Stillditch, son of Richard Stillditch, apprenticed to Edward Bolton, gunsmith of St Albans, Herts	St Albans	Off Acc 1162/287

National Archives				
22 June 1846	William Moore	Will of William Moore, late Gun Maker but now Gentleman of Cheshunt , Hertfordshire	Cheshunt	PROB 11/2037

HULL City Archives

5 Feb 1590	William Holmes	Conveyance: John Salmon of Thorpe on the Wold, farmer, to Christopher Dixon of Scarbrugh, glazier 2 tenements on S. of Sepulcregate: Power to attorney to Richard Dixon of Scardbrughe Castle and William Holmes of Scardbrugh gunsmith.	Scardbrugh	U DDHO/57/10
11 Nov 1709	Timothy Marshall	Apprenticeship agreement between John Bryan, son of John Bryan, yeoman of Gilberdike in the parish of Eastrington and Timothy Marshall, gunsmith of Kingston upon Hull, for a term of 7 years	Kingston upon Hull	U DQR/x2/34/4
1 Apr 1753	Benjamin Burgess	Freemen and apprentices in Kingston upon Hull Registration of persons bound apprentice to freemen Description Apprentice: Francis Burgess, Parent: Benjamin Burgess, Parent's profession: Gunsmith, Parent's address: Hull, Master's name: George Edmonds, Master's profession: Corkcutter, Witnesses: Carleton Monckton & Edward Codd	Kingston upon Hull	C BRG/7/1467

11 Feb 1828	Robert Williamson	Registration of persons bound apprentice to freemen Description: James Rawlings, son of John Rawlings, of Drypool in Holderness. Cordwainer to Robert Williamson, Gunsmith. Witness: G.Rushby.	Kingston upon Hull	C BRG/12/971
17 Dec 1816	Robert Williamson	Indentures of apprenticeship cancelled or discharged before the magistrates Thomas Mason, grandson of Jane Bean to Robert Williamson, gunsmith	Hull	C CPA/123

Records of London's Livery Companies Online				
1683	Mathew Napper	Napper, Mathew (Male) gunsmith, Hull, Yorks Event Details Drapers'	Hull	Records of London's Livery Companies Online - Drapers' Company

KENT

Kent Record Office

19 Dec 1662	Barret	KENT QUARTER SESSIONS Depositions a) David Castle of Betteshanger, servant. Stole a pistol from George Duke's house and sold it to a certain Barret of Sandwich, gunsmith, for 13d. Admits to further theft of a book from Mr. Dod, the minister of Betteshanger b) Geoffrey Boys of Betteshanger. Knows the pistol to be that of Mr. Watton.	Sandwich	Q/SB/8/51
1825-1830	Thomas Simmons	KENT QUARTER SESSIONS Insolvency of Thomas Simmons: account book Name: Thomas Simmons Prison: Maidstone Trade: Gunsmith Solicitor: John Monckton Case No. 28239	??	Q/C/I/58

National Archives				
13 December 1683	Thomas Kent	Will of Thomas Kent, Gunsmith now belonging to His Majesty's Ship Swallow of Benenden, Kent	Benenden	PROB 11/374
18 September 1690	Roger Greenbridge	Will of Roger Greenbridge, Gunsmith and Armourer of Canterbury, Essex	Canterbury	PROB 11/401
08 January 1753	Solomon Spittle	Will of Solomon Spittle, Gun Maker of Woolwich, Kent	Woolwich	PROB 11/799
15 February 1790	Thomas Rouse	Will of Thomas Rouse, Gunsmith of Margate, Isle of Thanet, Kent	Margate	PROB 11/1188

03 March 1843	Richard Fishenden	Will of Richard Fishenden, Gunmaker of Tonbridge, Kent	Tonbridge	PROB 11/1976
18 August 1854	John Kither	Will of John Kither, Gun Maker and Bell Hanger of Dartford, Kent	Dartford	PROB 11/2196
07 September 1857	Henry Manton	Will of Henry Manton, Gentleman, formerly Gunmaker of Gravesend, Kent	Gravesend	PROB 11/2257

LANCASHIRE

Lancashire Record Office

12 Jan 1633	Richard Charnley	Bond (1) Richard Charnley of Haighton in Broughton, bowmaker and gunsmith, Henry Charnley of Haighton, husbandman and Edwin Bradley Bond in £40 for Richard Charnley, bowmaker (7 years)	Haighton	CNP/2/3/1/no. 26
1636	Thomas Ley	BOLD & SUTTON -- Thomas Ley, gunsmith, to keep the peace to Richard Eltonhead of Eltonhead, esq	Bold & Sutton	QSB/1/174/43
1636	John Birch	GREAT SANKEY -- John Birch, gunsmith, to keep the peace to Thomas Ireland of Beausy, esq GREAT SANKEY & PENKETH Warrant against John Birch, gunsmith, for slandering Thomas Ireland, esq	Great Sankey Sankey & Penketh	QSB/1/166/15 & QSB/1/166/54

1641	William Rowland	MANCHESTER -- Susan wife of George Potter, glazier, to keep the peace to Sarah wife of William Rowland, gunsmith	Manchester	QSB/1/247/21
1642	Richard Charnley	Guild roll entry First name: Henry Preston Occupation/status if given: apprentice with Richard Charnley, Gunsmith. Admitted if he serve out his apprenticeship Burgess type: Fined Burgesses Entrance fee if given: ijli/2li	Haighton	CNP/2/1/7
1642	Richard Charnley	Guild roll entry First name: Richard Charneley Occupation/status if given: gunsmith Proposer/relationship if given: Burgess type: In Burgess Entrance fee if given: Not given	Haighton	CNP/2/1/7
1646 - 1650	Charles Duckett	ROLL 49 Robert Smaley of ---, gent., & Charles Duckett of Nithome, Co. Westmorland, gunsmith, second son of Ann Duckett, widow, to Raphe Livesay of Livesay, esq., & Edward Smaley of the same, chapman, -- Balderstone (in Blackburn) 23 August 1649	Nithome, Co. Westmorland	QDD/49

10 Mar 1653-1654	Stephen Shallcrosse	Bond given by Edmund Knott, of Knott Laine, in the parish of Ashton-under-Lyne, yeoman, to Stephen Shallcrosse, gunsmith to his Highness the Lord Protector's regiment of foot, for the sum of 1000li., upon security of the accounts of seventy-five auxiliary soldiers and nineteen supernumeraries. Attached is a list of the same soldiers, with the amounts of their accounts. Seal of arms.	??	DDKE/HMC/202
1659	William Bannester	ROLL 54 William Bannester of Fishwick, gunsmith, to J James Ashton of Preston, gent. -- Brockhall 29 April 1659	Fishwick	QDD/54
Manchester, Midsummer c. 1662	Raph Fletcher	Lancashire Courts of Quarter Sessions Little Lever -- Raph Fletcher to trade as gunsmith.		QSP/228/1
1662	William Banaster	Guild roll entry First name: William Banaster Occupation/status if given: gunsmith Proposer/relationship if given: Burgess type: In Burgess Entrance fee if given:	Fishwick	CNP/2/1/11

13 Jan. 1672/3	William Toppinge	Demise for 100 years at peppercorn rent: William Toppinge the Elder of Goosnargh, gunsmith, to John, Thomas, and William Toppinge, Margret, now wife of Thomas Adamson of Catterall, yeoman, and Elizabeth Toppinge, sons and daughters of W.T. Messuage wherein W.T. now lives, 1 barn and closes called the further Blackfield, higher Parrocke, Lower Parrocke, High field, and penny croft, and also 2 moss rooms in the White Mosses and Eccles mosse, 9 ac., in Goosnargh -- but this is void if James Toppinge, son and heir of W.T. pays to J,T,and W.T. each £24, and to M.A. £20, and E.T. £30. Witn. Leo. Waringe, James Turner, Robte. Barton. Seal	Goosnargh	DDX 2/25
c1675-1676	Thomas Parr	Halewood -- apprenticeship of Gyles, son of Edward Gill to Thomas Parr of Farnworth, gunsmith.	Farnworth	QSP/444/20
1682	Edward Charnley	Records of the Borough of Preston - Guild roll entry First name: Edward Charnley Occupation/status if given: Gunsmith	Preston	CNP/2/1/11
1682	William Bannester	Records of the Borough of Preston - Guild roll entry First name: William Bannester Occupation/status if given: gunsmith Entrance fee if given	Preston	CNP/2/1/11
1682	Robert Turneley	Records of the Borough of Preston - Guild roll entry First name: Robert Turneley Occupation/status if given: gunsmith	Preston	CNP/2/1/11

01 Apr 1685	Christopher Wilkinson	Probate records Testator's name: CHRISTOPHER WILKINSON Occupation/status: GUNSMITH Place: LANCASTER County: Lancashire	Lancaster	W/RW/A/R89D/24
1702	Benjamin Horrobin	Records of the Borough of Preston - Guild roll entry First name: Benjamin Horrobin Occupation/status if given: gunsmith	Preston	CNP/2/1/12
6 Jun – 19 Jun 1738	John Tinsley	Visitation Entry book for the Archdeaconry of Chester, with a note that John Hallworth is sidesman for Nosbury in Stockport, nd, citation against John Tinsley of Liverpool, gunsmith, for "Words" at the promotion of Ellen, wife of Martin Croft, 16 Jun 1738, dismissal of Hamlett Okell and Sarah his wife, for anternuptial fornication, 19 Jun 1738	Liverpool	ARCH/1/1/56
May 1743	Robert Livesay	Insolvent Debtors Papers - Summonses to creditors On behalf of Robert Livesay of Chorley, gunsmith	Chorley	QJB/22/7
21 Feb 1745	William Townson	Probate records Testator's name: WILLIAM TOWNSON Occupation/status: GUNSMITH Place: BRIDGE LANE, LANCASTER County: Lancashire	BRIDGE LANE LANCASTER	W/RW/A/R85B/43
25 Dec. 1752	John Parr	Lease John Parr, gunsmith, and Thomas Aspinwall, gent. of Liverpool	Liverpool	DDM/50/166

31 May 1756	Thomas Peele	<p>Marriage Bond Groom surname: Peele, Thomas Groom age: 24 Groom occupation/status: Gunsmith Groom domicile: Whitehaven, St. Bees, Cumberland Bride surname: Tyson, Dinah Bride age: 21 Bride marital status/occupation: Spinster Bride domicile: Eskdale, St. Bees, Cumberland Place of marriage: Eskdale Chapel, Eskdale, St. Bees, Cumberland</p>	Whitehaven, St. Bees, Cumberland	ARR 11
05 June 1756	Terence O'Bryan	<p>Marriage Bond Groom surname: O'Bryan, Terence Groom age: 26 Groom occupation: Gunsmith Groom domicile: Whitehaven, St. Bees, Cumberland Bride surname: Baxter, Dorothy Bride age: 25 Bride marital status: Spinster Bride domicile: Whitehaven, St. Bees, Cumberland Place of marriage: St. James Chapel, Whitehaven, St. Bees, Cumberland</p>	Whitehaven, St. Bees, Cumberland	ARR 11
1761	Morris	<p>First name of deceased: MORRIS Surname of deceased: GUNSMITH Place: LIVERPOOL Comments: none</p>	Liverpool	QSP/ 1825/20

26 January 1761	Joseph Matthews	Marriage Bond Groom surname: Beck, William Groom occupation/status: Mariner Bride surname: Dixon, Isabel Notes: Bondsman Joseph Matthews of Whitehaven, Gunsmith.	Whitehaven	ARR 11
21 January 1763	Miles Dodgson	Marriage Bond Groom surname: Dodgson, Miles Groom age: 23 Groom occupation/status: Gunmaker Groom domicile: Lancaster Bride surname: Bethell, Betty Bride age: 22 Bride marital status/occupation: Spinster Bride domicile: Wigan, Lancashire Notes: Bondsman Thomas Wilson of Lancaster, Block- maker	Lancaster	ARR 11
12 Apr 1763	John Cottam	Lancaster. Petition of John Cottam, gunsmith, now prisoner, that he receive the county allowance	Lancaster	QSP/1839/13

15 March 1766	William Fisher	Marriage Bond Groom surname: Fisher, William Groom age: 27 Groom occupation/status: Gunsmith Groom domicile: Whitehaven, St. Bees, Cumberland Bride surname: Richardson, Elizabeth Bride age: 23 Bride domicile: Whitehaven, St. Bees, Cumberland	Whitehaven	ARR 11
07 May 1770	James Jackson	Marriage Bond Groom surname: Jackson, James Groom age: 21 Groom occupation/status: Gunsmith Groom domicile: Low Park, Hawkshead, Lancashire Bride surname: Birkett, Mary Bride age: 21 Bride marital status/occupation: Spinster Bride domicile: Hawkshead, Lancashire Place of marriage: Hawkshead, Lancashire	Hawkshead	ARR 11

29 September 1773	William Valentine	Marriage Bond Groom surname: Valentine, William Groom age: 21 Groom occupation/status: Gunsmith Groom domicile: Whitehaven, St. Bees, Cumberland Bride surname: Moordale, Ruth Bride age: 23 Bride marital status/occupation: Spinster Bride domicile: Workington, Cumberland Place of marriage: Workington, Cumberland	Whitehaven	ARR 11
29 Jan 1774	John Grimshaw	John Grimshaw of Ormskirk, gunsmith to appear as reputed father of the bastard child of Jane Standish of Ormskirk, single woman Sureties: John Fairclough of Ormskirk, Glazier Justices of the Peace and court officials: None	Ormskirk	QSB1/1774/Apr/part1/63
9 Oct 1776	Thomas Atkinson	Recognizance that Thomas Atkinson of Ormskirk, clockmaker shall answer a Bill of Indictment against him and others for rescuing by force a clock from the custody of John Gregory of Ormskirk, labourer Sureties: John Grimshaw of Ormskirk, gunsmith	Ormskirk	QSB/1/1776/Oct/pt 5/ 68
9 Oct 1776	William Cooper	Recognizance that William Cooper of Ormskirk, yeoman shall answer a Bill of Indictment against him and others for rescuing by force a clock from the custody of John Gregory of Ormskirk, labourer Sureties: John Grimshaw of Ormskirk, gunsmith	Ormskirk	QSB/1/1776/Oct/pt 5/ 69

9 Oct 1776	Richard Ashurst	Recognizance that Richard Ashurst late of Ormskirk, chapman, shall answer a Bill of Indictment against him and others for rescuing a clock from the custody of John Gregory of Ormskirk, labourer and to keep the peace Sureties: John Grimshaw of Ormskirk, gunsmith	Ormskirk	QSB/1/1776/Oct/pt 5/ 71
1 Jun. 1778	John Parr	Lease John Parr of Liverpool, gunsmith (Park Coffee-house.)	Liverpool	DDM/50/186
23 July 1792	Joseph Fell	Marriage Bond Groom surname: Fell, Joseph Groom age: 25 Groom occupation/status: Gunmaker Groom domicile: Cockermouth, Brigham, Cumberland Bride surname: Carter, Hannah Bride age: 25 Bride marital status/occupation: Spinster Bride domicile:Place: Brigham, Cumberland	Cockermouth	ARR 11

05 October 1795	Jackson, James	Marriage Bond Groom surname: Jackson, James Groom age: 21 Groom occupation/status: Gunsmith Groom domicile: Cartmel, Lancashire Bride surname: Farrer, Agnes Bride age: 21 Bride marital status/occupation: Spinster Bride domicile: Cartmel, Lancashire Place of marriage: Chapel of Cartmel Fell, Cartmel, Lancashire	Cartmel	ARR 11
05 Decembe 1803	Charles Turner	Marriage Bond Groom surname: Turner, Charles Groom occupation/status: Gunsmith Groom marital status: Widower Groom domicile: Preston, Lancashire Bride surname: Worsick, Jane Bride marital status/occupation: Widow Bride domicile: Preston, Lancashire Place of marriage: Preston, Lancashire	Preston	ARR 11
7 Mar 1804	Miles Tubman	Warrington. Order of filiation and maintenance of Ann, bastard child of Miles Tubman, gunsmith, and Ann Birtles, singlewoman	Warrington	QSP/2502/24

30 March 1805	Fell, John	Marriage BondGroom: Fell, John Groom age: 30 Groom occupation/status: Gunsmith Bride surname: Johnson, Agnes Bride age: 29 Bride marital status/occupation: Widow Bride domicile: Stockbridge, Tatham		ARR 11
4 October 1809	Thomas Stockley	Probate records Testator's name: THOMAS STOCKLEY Occupation/status: GUNSMITH Parish: PRESTON, LANCASHIRE	Preston	W/RW/A/R126/76
3 Jul 1811	James Wadkin	Warrington. Order of filiation and maintenance of bastard son of James Wadkin, gunsmith, and Mary Bailey, singlewoman	Warrington	QSP/2618/69
26 May 1812	John Foster	Probate records Testator's name: JOHN FOSTER Occupation/status: GUNMAKER Parish: PRESTON, LANCASHIRE	Preston	W/RW/A/R131/94

26 August 1812	Bolton, John	Marriage Bond Groom: Bolton, John Groom age: 22 Groom occupation/status: Gunsmith Groom domicile: Preston, Lancashire Bride surname: Harrison, Ellen Bride age: 21 Bride marital status/occupation: Spinster Bride domicile: Preston, Lancashire	Preston	ARR 11
24 July 1816	Robert Fell	Warrant from W. Housman, J.P. to Constables of Lancaster and Keeper of Lancaster Castle Gaol to detain through lack of surities Robert Fell of Lancaster, gunsmith, until next General Quarter Sessions at Lancaster. Charge is causing bodily harm to Ann, his wife.	Lancaster	DDX 2743/MS6068
29 July 1816	Robert Fell	Memorandum initialled by W. Housman that Robert Fell of Lancaster, gunsmith, is bound to keep the peace for 12 months especially towards Ann his wife.	Lancaster	DDX 2743/MS6069
01 February 1817	Christopher Townley	Marriage Bond Groom surname: Townley, Christopher Groom age: 21 Groom occupation/status: Gunsmith Groom domicile: Lancaster Bride surname: Hawthornthwaite, Ann Bride age: 21 Bride marital status/occupation: Spinster	Lancaster	ARR 11

26 Nov 1822	William Griffiths	Neman Carter of Manchester, Smith, to keep the peace Sureties: William Griffiths, of Manchester, Gunsmith Justices of the Peace and court officials: None	Manchester	QSB1/1823/Jan/pt5/37
30 Dec 1822	William Griffiths	Recognizance for John Sparks of Manchester, Machine Maker, to keep the peace Sureties: William Griffith of Manchester, Gunsmith and Thomas Booth of Manchester, Turner	Manchester	QSB/1/1823/Jan/Pt6/9
26 May 1823	William Brooks	Recognizance for Cornelius Brooks of Manchester, Smith, to answer a bill of indictment Sureties: William Brooks of Manchester, Gunmaker and Thomas Burrow of Manchester, Engineer	Manchester	QSB1/1823/Jul/pt5/46
13 Nov 1823	Timothy Fisher	Recognizance for Thomas Sephton of Halsall, innkeeper, to keep the peace towards Richard Harrison of Halsall, farmer Sureties: Timothy Fisher of Ormskirk, gunsmith	Ormskirk	QSB/1/1824/Jan/pt 9/59
30 Jun 1826	John Hughes	Recognizance for Catherine Hughes, wife of John Hughes of Toxteth Park, gunsmith, to give evidence against Margaret Fagan for felony Sureties: None	Toxteth Park	QSB1/1826/Jul/pt 16/26
23 Mar 1827	David Simkin	Recognizance for John Jackson of Haigh, labourer, to answer a Bill of Indictment against him for an assault upon Matthew Shepherd of Aspull, labourer Sureties: David Simkin of Wigan, gunsmith, John Senior of Haigh, labourer.	Wigan	QSB/1/1827/APR/pt11/6 6

19 Apr 1828	William Gregory	Recognizance for Sydney Morton of Manchester, Gunsmith, to keep the peace Sureties: William Gregory of Manchester, Gunsmith and Thomas Morton of Manchester, Filer	Manchester	QSB 1/1828/Apr/pt5/63
24 Jun 1829	Robert Bolton	Recognizance for James Roscow of Ince in Mackerfield, collier, to appear and abide by such orders as shall be made respecting the bastard child of Ann Grimes of Orrell, singlewoman Sureties: Robert Bolton of Wigan, Gunsmith and Thomas Roscow of Wigan, Weaver	Wigan	QSB/1/1829/Jul/pt 8/53
2 Apr 1830	William Burlingham	Lancashire Courts of Quarter Sessions. Recognizance for Thomas Poole of Hulme, Labourer, to keep the peace. Thomas Kilvert of Salford, Butcher and William Burlingham of Salford, Gunmaker	Salford	QSB/1/1830/Apr/pt5/31
30 Jul. 1830	Henry Blakeborough	Lancashire Courts of Quarter Sessions. Henry Blakeborough, a gunsmith, to prefer or cause to be preferred a Bill of Indictment against Thomas Tallentire for felony and to give evidence upon a trial. Sureties: None. Justices of the Peace: Laurence Halsted.	??	QSB/1/1830/Oct/Pt2/12

8 Nov 1830	William Burtenshaw William Henshaw	Recognizance for Edward Evans of Salford, Stonemason to keep the peace for three months Sureties: William Burtenshaw of Salford, Gunsmith and William Henshaw of Salford, Gunsmith Justices of the Peace and court officials: None	Salford	QSB1/1831/Jan/pt4/83
4 Apr 1831	James Burrowes	Recognizance for Henry Garratt of 12 Union Street, Preston, to appear at Preston and prefer a Bill of Indictment against George Dixon for felony and also for James Burrowes of Pedders Court, Preston, Gunsmith, and James Nuttall of Preston, Constable, to give evidence before the Jurors Sureties: None	Preston	QSB1/1831/Apr/Pt1/52
21 Apr 1831	John Wignall	Recognizance for Nathan Kenyon of Scarisbrick, blacksmith, to appear at Kirkdale as reputed father to a child to be born to Mary Gill, singlewoman, and likely to be chargeable to the Township of Scarisbrick Sureties: John Wignall of Ormskirk, gunsmith	Ormskirk	QSB/1/1831/Apr/P6/17
4 Feb 1833	James Ward	Recognizance for Ellen Halliwell of Warrington, James Ward of Warrington, Gunsmith and John Bethell of Warrington, Watchmaker to give evidence against John Bradbury for Felony Sureties: None Justices of the Peace and other Court Officials: None	Warrington	QSB/1/1833/Apr/pt4/12 2

23 Jul 1833	James Pollard	Recognizance for Joseph Wearden of 2 Back Leeming Street, Preston, Labourer, to keep the peace towards John McGowan and Thomas Ascroft, both of Preston, Labourers Sureties: James Pollard of 19 Back Leeming Street, Preston, Gunmaker, and Francis Parkinson of 78 Church Street, Preston, Weaver	Preston	QSB/1/1833/Oct/pt2/80
21 Aug 1833	Philip Hazlehurst	Great Sankey. Order of filiation and maintenance of bastard daughter of Philip Hazlehurst of Warrington, gunsmith, and Katharine Warburton, singlewoman	Warrington	QSP/2991/36
1 Jul 1833	Thomas Stirling	Lancashire Courts of Quarter Sessions. Richard Eccles, Weaver, Thomas Stirling, Gunsmith, James Fielding, Clogger, all of Blackburn, to prefer a Bill of Indictment against Robert Thompson for Felony Sureties: Richard Eccles, Thomas Stirling, James Fielding and John Kay Constable, JPs and Court Officials: John Hopwood Comments: None	Blackburn	QSB1/1833/Jul/pt2/21
19 Feb 1834	William Burtenshaw	Order for Thomas Robinson of Greengate [Salford], [upholder], to answer for an assault Sureties: Edward Makin of Dawsons Croft [Salford], weaver. William Burtenshaw of Greengate [Salford], gunsmith Justices of the Peace and court officials: John Frederic Foster	Greengate [Salford]	QSB/1/1834/Jan/pt5/59

21 Feb 1852	Thomas Conway	Archdeaconry of Chester Probate Records Testator: Thomas Conway of Manchester Occupation: gunmaker	Manchester	WCW/1235/28
18 Jun 1853	John James Stirling	Archdeaconry of Chester Probate Records Testator: John James Stirling of Bromley Sharples Occupation: Gunmaker	Bromley Sharples	WCW1258B/25

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20 September 1792	Thomas Barker	Will of Thomas Barker, Gunsmith of Warrington , Lancashire	Warrington	PROB 11/1222
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LONDON METROPOLITAN ARCHIVES

23 Apr 1791	JOHN PARR	ROYAL AND SUN ALLIANCE INSURANCE GROUP Records INSURED: JOHN PARR, OF LIVERPOOL, GUNSMITH	LIVERPOOL	LONDON METROPOLITAN ARCHIVES CLC/B/192/F/001/MS11
7 Jul 1791	THOMAS NEVETT	ROYAL AND SUN ALLIANCE INSURANCE GROUP Records INSURED: THOMAS NEVETT, LIVERPOOL, GUNSMITH	LIVERPOOL	LONDON METROPOLITAN ARCHIVES CLC/B/192/F/001/MS11
31 Mar 1792	JOHN PARR	ROYAL AND SUN ALLIANCE INSURANCE GROUP Records INSURED: JOHN PARR, GILBERT STREET, LIVERPOOL, GUNSMITH	LIVERPOOL	LONDON METROPOLITAN ARCHIVES CLC/B/192/F/001/MS11

LEICESTERSHIRE

Leicester Record Office

2 June 1675	Henry Pickard	Inventory and Bond of Henry Pickard of Mountsorrel, gunsmith.	Mountsorrel	44'28/1322/167b
1811 - 1816	John Edgson	Bills owed to John Edgson of Stamford, gunsmith	Stamford	DE3214/6711/1-
1834	T. Monck	Letter to R. W. Baker from J. Clapton of T. H. Jackson, Solicitor, Stamford, enclosing bills owed by Sir Gerard Noel Noel to the estates of O. G. Gilchrist, Grocer and T. Monck, gunsmith and mentioning the Priest case	Stamford	DE3214/7084/1-

National Archives

16 April 1811	John Dixon	Abstract of Will of John Dixon, Gunsmith of Leicester, Leicestershire. Proved in the Court of Leicester.	Leicester	IR 26/377
10 December 1828	Samuel Dixon	Will of Samuel Dixon, Gunsmith of Leicester , Leicestershire	Leicester	PROB 11/1748

LONDON METROPOLITAN ARCHIVES

18 Nov 1791	THOMAS HALLICK	ROYAL AND SUN ALLIANCE INSURANCE GROUP Records INSURED: THOMAS HALLICK, HARBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE, GUNSMITH REFERENCE CODE:	HARBOROUGH	LONDON METROPOLITAN ARCHIVES CLC/B/192/F/001/MS11 936/381/592395
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LINCOLNSHIRE

Lincolnshire Record Office				
14 Oct 1759	Edward Newton	<p>Mortgage of Tolls</p> <p>1. Edmund Turnor, esq, William Welby, esq, John Middlemore, esq, Weston John Smith, esq, John Key, esq, Revd Francis Bacon, William Annis, gent, Isaac Garnar, gent, Wildbore Garnar, gent, and Thomas Stanser junior, gent (Trustees of the Grantham - Nottingham Turnpike Road),</p> <p>to</p> <p>2. Edward Newton of Grantham, gunsmith.</p> <p>Half of a Share No. 39 of the Tolls. Mortgaged for £50, paid to James Garnar, Treasurer.</p> <p>Endorsed: Assignment of the half share to Thomas Tye of Nottingham, gent. 17 March 1766.</p>	Grantham	FL/MISC/9/4

1764 Oct 24	Peter Barber	Probate of Will Peter Barber of Newark, Nottinghamshire, gunsmith (Inter alia) names Robert Foster and Samuel Brooksby as his trustees.	Newark	MISC DON 417/1/9
1777 Apr 11	William Newton	Attested copy of Will of Thomas Goodacre of Rawlston, Lincolnshire, gent Beneficiaries: 1. Wildbore Garnar of Grantham, draper, and William Newton of Grantham, gunsmith: messuages, cottages, closes in Barkston. 2. wife Mary Goodacre: goods, cattle, chattels and ready money. Executrix: Mary Goodacre.	Grantham	THOR/1/2/AL37/14
13 Oct 1789	John Dixon	Indenture of conveyance (counterpart) John Dixon gunsmith of Leicester, F.B.M. of Dagenham consenting to William Watts, common brewer, Elizabeth his wife and Thomas Peach, gent., and Elizabeth his wife, daughter of Watts, and their trustee John Edward Carter, gent., all of Leicester. Property: (part of a total property conveyed by F.B.M. to Dixon for £820) messuage in Gallowtree gate formerly the Princes Arms and lately the Magpie and Crown. Consideration: £560.	Leicester	MASS/15/12

1790	Isaac Barber	Deeds Mortgages etc Includes; Settlement of the 2 Coleby closes on Mary daughter of Isaac Barber of Newark, Nottinghamshire, gunsmith, on her marriage to Isaac Marfleet of Somerton Castle, gent, 1790	Newark	9-NOTT/2/14
1805 Jan 1/2	Isaac Barber	Recites conveyance to ES Godfrey (GROSS/1/11-14 above) on behalf of himself and Marfleet, and sale by Godfrey of a messuage, 8 cottages and the cottage Plotts (25a.).The manor, 2 messuages and 394a. conveyed to fourth party to hold in trust for term of 1,000 years to third party to indemnify first party against bonds issued jointly by himself and Marfleet; when these are fully paid off, third party agree to transfer their interest to Marfleet's nominee. Includes; Isaac Barber of Newark, gunmaker	Newark	GROSS/1/16-17
26 Feb 1819	Bryan Tate	Apprenticeship Indenture Wolley Jolland Fields (with the consent of his father Elias Fields of Louth, farmer) apprenticed to Bryan Tate of Louth, whitesmith and gunsmith, for 7 years from 1 Jan 1818. Endorsed with wages to be paid.	Louth	LM/PRIVATE PAPERS/13
11 Sept 1812	John Brocksop	Alehouse Recognizance Licensee: Joshua Gresham. Alehouse: In the parish of Fiskerton. Sureties: Joshua Gresham of Fiskerton, & John Brocksop, gunsmith, of the City of Lincoln.	Lincoln	LQS/D/9/1/2/633

17 Sept 1824	Peter Claborough	<p>Alehouse Recognizance Licensee: William Lowther. Alehouse: The Prince of Wales, in the Bail of Lincoln. Sureties: William Lowther & Peter Claborough, gunsmith, of the City of Lincoln.</p>	Lincoln	LQS/D/9/1/2/1136
29 Sept 1842	William Gifford Thomas	<p>Depositions and recognizance Prosecutor: William Gifford Thomas of 4 Clasketgate, gunsmith. Witnesses: Ann, wife of William Gifford Thomas; Jane Powell of 6 Clasketgate, widow; Ann, wife of William Binley, keeper of a shop for the sale of second hand goods at 30 Strait; William Anderson of 22 Flaxengate, police constable. Accused: Mary Ann, wife of John Harcourt, labourer. She had previously lodged at Thomas' house. Crime: stealing a pair of shoes in the parish of St Swithin, Lincoln.</p>	Lincoln	BROG/1/4/3/4/8
Oct 21 & Oct 28 1848	Edward Lanes	<p>Depositions and recognizance Prosecutor: Charles Rumble of the Magpies public house, cattle dealer. Witnesses: Lavinia Lanes of the Lock Tavern, wife of Edward Lanes, gunsmith; Robert Hoff Bryan of the High Street, silversmith; George Morris, police constable; Martha Dixon of Waterside South, singlewoman, servant at the Globe public house. Accused: John Walker and William Frost, labourers. Crime: uttering 2 counterfeit shillings, knowing them to be false, in the parish of St Swithin, Lincoln.</p>	Lincoln	BROG/1/4/3/16/3

19th Century	Thomas Monck	Leaflet advertisement by Thomas Monck, gunsmith of Stamford to say that he has engaged his brother Edmund Monck (late apprenticed to James Wilson) as a clock and watchmaker to carry on with a clockmaking business	Stamford	LCNST : 5538
1850 June 13	William Thomas	Depositions and recognizance Prosecutor: William Thomas of the Strait, gunsmith. Witnesses: George Pegg, corkcutter; Mary Barber, singlewoman, occasionally employed to clean the theatre; William, son of William Clarkson, dealer in rags and bones; Thomas Roberts, police constable. Accused: Major Glenn Reynolds, labourer. Crime: stealing a broken bell from the theatre, the parish of St Martin, Lincoln.	Strait	BROG/1/4/3/21/9
1854 Dec 23	Jane Seels	Jo Depositions and recognizance Prosecutor: Jane Seels of 244 High Street, gunsmith and widow. Witnesses: John Hanson of Park Lane, gunmaker employed by Seels; Naaman Clapham of 1 St Botolph's Terrace, police constable. Accused: Michael Atkinson, labourer. Crime: stealing a gun in the parish of St Martin, Lincoln.	Lincoln????	BROG/1/4/3/39/2
19 Nov 1864	Kew, Jonathon	Will Kew, Jonathon; Gunsmith Louth, Lincolnshire	Louth	WILLS/1867/540
31 Dec 1864	Liversidge, John	Will Liversidge, John; Gunsmith Gainsborough, Lincolnshire	Gainsborough	WILLS/1865/71

22 May 1865	Lofley, John	Will Lofley, John; Gunsmith Brigg, Lincolnshire	Brigg	WILLS/1865/662
26 Feb 1869	Joseph Towl	Will Towl, Joseph; Gunsmith Boston, Lincolnshire	Boston	WILLS/1870/933
9 Apr 1869	Jackson, Henry George	Will Jackson, Henry George; Gunsmith Gainsborough, Lincolnshire	Gainsborough	WILLS/1869/534

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19 December 1765	Edward Newton	Will of Edward Newton, Gunsmith of Grantham, Lincolnshire	Grantham	PROB 11/914
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1 Jul 1791	John Wilkins	ROYAL AND SUN ALLIANCE INSURANCE GROUP Records INSURED: THE SOCIETY OF KEY BEARERS, GRANTHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE, IN TRUST CONTENT; Other Property / Occupiers Mentioned: The Market Place, Grantham (John Wilkins gunsmith); Walker Gate, Grantham (Elizabeth Rawlinson shopkeeper); Grantham (Thomas Wilson watchmaker; Mrs Woodford tea dealer)	Grantham	LONDON METROPOLITAN ARCHIVES CLC/B/192/F/001/MS11 936/378/585295
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MANCHESTER (GREATER)

Greater Manchester Archives

24 Jul 1807	William Aston	Item Access and Rights - Description: 1) George Shawcross of Levenshulme, Whitsler 2) William Aston of Manchester, Gunsmith Premises: Two closes and premises in Levenshulme called the Crabtree acre and the Nook Field (3 acres), and two closes in in Levenshulme known as the Butty Field (2acres) Term: 500 years	Manchester	GB124.D25/12
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MIDDLESEX

National Archives

28 June 1799	John Furlong	Will of John Furlong, Gunsmith and Victualler of Kings Arms, High Street, Middlesex		PROB 11/1325
06 July 1839	Thomas Devey	Will of Thomas Devey, Gunmaker in the Royal Manufactory of small Arms of Enfield , Middlesex		PROB 11/1913

NORFOLK

Norfolk Record Office

1627	James Carre	Norwich Consistory Court Probate Records Will of Carre, James, gunsmith, of Norwich	Norwich	original will 1627 no. 341A
1649	Edward Woolfe	Bond obliging John Quashe, clerk, and Edward Woolfe, gunsmith, to keep Nicholas Bacon harmless as tenant at Quashe's request of lands and woods in Gillingham.	Gillingham	GIL 4/10, 718X1
29 Sep 1663	John Woolfe	Indenture: Assignment. Abigail Mackerell of Norwich, widow, to John Woolfe of Norwich, gunmaker.	Norwich	NRS 5887, 18D5
25 Jan 1672	Thomas Tue	Conveyance, Benjamin Newman of King's Lynn, master mariner, and wife Susan, to Thomas Tue of King's Lynn, gunsmith, and wife Bridget: tenements in King's Lynn next grounds belonging to the Grammer School House in Baxter Row.	King's Lynn	BL/O/O/96
19 Feb 1672	Richard Swann	Settlement Bond. Thomas, mason, of Holborn (Middx.), gent., Robert Blyth of Great Yarmouth, beer brewer, and Richard Swann of same, gunsmith, in £60. Maintenance of Mason, wife and children.	Great Yarmouth	Y/C 35/75
26 Dec 1678	Thomas Tue	Feoffment by Thomas Tue of King's Lynn, gunsmith, and Walter Poulter of King's Lynn, merchant, executors of the will of Edward Acob late of King's Lynn, innholder, to Peter Meadows	King's Lynn	KL/C 50/376

19 Apr 1680	James Money	Settlement Bond. John Place of Upwell (Cambs.), tailor, Thomas Briggs of Great Yarmouth, tailor and James Money of same, gunsmith, in £100. Maintenance of Place, wife and children.	Great Yarmouth	Y/C 35/127
20 Feb 1689	Thomas Tue	Lease for 6 months [part of lease and release] by Thomas Robinson, alderman, and Thomas Tue of King's Lynn, gunsmith, to the Mayor and four of the Common Council	King's Lynn	KL/C 50/258
19 Apr 1702	John Cozens	Indenture: Release of Recognisance. (1) John Cozens of St Clement's Danes (Midd.), gunsmith, and John Thomas of Marlas (Glamorgan), esq.	London	NRS 9483, 22C5
17 Nov 1710	Thomas Tue	Will of Thomas Tue of King's Lynn, Norfolk, gunsmith	King's Lynn	West Glamorgan Archives NAS/JP 2/1
1718-1721	Henry Green	Probate inventory Henry Green, senior, gunsmith, of Elmswell (Suffolk)	Elmswell (Suffolk)	DN/INV 74A/9
21 Sep 1722	Thomas Tue	Mortgage for £160, John Custande of King's Lynn, gent., and wife Anne, to Lawrence Turner of King's Lynn, gent: messuage in Mercer Rowe, King's Lynn (abuttals), and 2 tenements, part of 4 tenements, and messuage adjoining lately built in Baxter Rowe (abuttals), of the inheritance of Anne Custande from her uncle Thomas Tue of King's Lynn, gunsmith	King's Lynn	NNAS G2/5/24
1723	William Barlow	Norwich Consistory Court Probate Records Barlow, William, gunsmith, of King's Lynn	King's Lynn	NCC will register Megoe 108

1729	Thomas Gager	Norwich Consistory Court Probate Records Gager, Thomas, gunsmith, of Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk	Bury St Edmunds	NCC will register Rudd 110
1738	Roger Bates	Norwich Consistory Court Probate Records Bates, Roger, gunsmith, of Norwich	Norwich	NCC will register Brereton 165
6 Mar 1819	Isaac Walker	Assignment of mortgage. Mary Sudbury of Norwich, widow, and Isaac Walker of Norwich, gunsmith, Thomas Sudbury of Norwich, dyer, and James Goodwin of Norwich gent.	Norwich	N/TC/D1/535/14
1830	James Jaye	Norwich Consistory Court Probate Records Jaye, James, gunsmith, of Ipswich, Suffolk	Ipswich, Suffolk	NCC will register Pettingill 165
nd [1831- 1834]	J. Walker	Parish Records of St John Timberhill with All Saints and St Michael at Thorn, Norwich Political lampoon concerning the church, written on a letter relating to a bill to Mr J. Walker, gunmaker.	Norwich	PD 74/76
1841	Isaac Walker	Norwich Consistory Court Probate Records Walker, Ann, wife of Isaac Walker, gunsmith, of Norwich	Norwich	NCC will register Traxton 187
1841	William Thornton	Peculiar of the Dean and Chapter Probate Records Thornton, William, gunmaker, of Lakenham	Lakenham	PRDC 2/2/3/122
1846	Francis Nicholson	Norwich Consistory Court Probate Records Nicholson, Francis, gunsmith, of East Dereham	East Dereham	NCC will register Baret 488

National Archives				
28 August 1841	Isaac Walker	Will of Isaac Walker, late Gun Maker but now Retired from Business of Heigham Norwich , Norfolk	Norwich	PROB 11/1950

24 August 1850	Charles Mayes	Will of Charles Mayes, Gunmaker of Lakenham , Norfolk	Lakenham	PROB 11/2118
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NORTHAMPTONSHIRE

Northamptonshire Record Office				
1687	Thomas Hanson	<p>Lease and Release: messuage with all shops etc. on west side and towards upper end of the Drapery</p> <p>Lease and Release 17 and 18 January 1686/7</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Thomas Sargeant of Northampton gent. and Dorcas his wife 2. Thomas Hanson of Northampton, gunsmith, conveyance of a messuage with all shops etc. being on the west side and towards the upper end of the Drapery heretofore in the tenure of Obadiah Lord Goldsmith deceased since burnt down by a late dreadful fire and rebuilt now in the tenure of Thomas Hanson between a tenement of Daniel Singleton on the north side and Robert Ivory on the south side consideration 	Northampton	ZB0514/37a-b
1772	Edward Heath	Removal Order- Edward Heath, gunsmith, wife Grace and James (10) Richard (4) and Joseph (2) to Walton Le Dale, Lancs.	Northampton	350P/199/18

NORTHUMBERLAND

National Archives

12 December 1724	Gilbert Challoner	Will of Gilbert Challoner, Gun Smith and Mariner of Morpeth, Northumberland	Morpeth	PROB 11/600
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NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

Nottinghamshire Record Office

1759	John Dakeyne	Mortgage by J and R Tomlin and John Dakeyne, gunsmith, to Rev Thomas Lovett of two newly erected messuages in the Backside; and declaration of the uses of a fine	Nottingham	PR/NW 7245
nd [c 1766]	Robert Wogden	Indentures, lease and release, settlement Robert Wogden of Westminster, Middlesex, gunsmith, son and heir of John Wogden of Grantham, Lincolnshire, whittower, deceased, who was son and heir of Robert Wogden, deceased, above3) Jane Holmes of Newark, spinster, daughter of John Holmes of Newark, hatter, and Elizabeth, his wife, deceased, who was daughter of Robert Wogden, deceased	London	DD/472/4/1-2

06 November 1767	Peter Barber	Deanery of Nottingham Probate Records: Will dated 24 October 1764, Bond of Peter BARBER of Newark, Gunsmith	Nottingham	PR/NW 7245
10 Jun 1802	Sam Leah	Received bill of Sam Leah (gunsmith) for £30 With 3 guns and a patent razor strap sold to late Henry Swan, in full of all debts due from late Henry Swan at his death, of John Swan. Bill when first submitted totalled £60 18s 4d. Detailed - rammer worm and tip, new powder flask, a new steel mounted gun £4 4s, a new double barrel gun, £14 14s, powder and shot, new swivel main spring, new shot belt, etc. Bill covers 1796 - 1801	Nottingham	DD/1461/152
nd [c 1802]	Robert Wogden	Indentures, lease and release Robert Wogden of the Haymarket, St Martin in the Fields, Middlesex, gunsmith. Jane, his wife.	London	DD/472/8/1-2
20 October 1806	John Dakeyne	Deanery of Nottingham Probate Records: Will dates 27 November 1805 of Robert DAKEYNE of Nottingham, Gunsmith	Nottingham	PR/NW 7245
02 May 1809	George Brummitt	Deanery of Nottingham Probate Records: Will dated 07 September 1808 of George BRUMMITT of Nottingham, Gunsmith	Nottingham	PR/NW 7245
4 - 5 Jun 1828	John Simpson	Indenture, lease and release John Simpson of Southwell, gunsmith. Hannah, his wife	Southwell	DD/479/22/1-2

1829	John Simpson	Right hand indenture of fine John Simpson of Southwell, gunsmith, and Hannah, his wife, with Francis Jenkinson and Mary, his wife, deforciants3 messuages, 3 gardens, 1 acre land and common of pasture, in Southwell.	Southwell	DD/479/22/3
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November 25	Robert Poole	Abstract of Will of Robert Poole, Gunsmith of Gamston, Nottinghamshire. Proved in the Court of York.	Gamston	IR 26/426
October 20 18	Robert Dakeyne	Abstract of Will of Robert Dakeyne, Gunsmith of Nottingham, Nottinghamshire	Nottingham	IR 26/427
May 02 1809	George Brummitt	Abstract of Will of George Brummitt, Gunsmith of Nottingham, Nottinghamshire. Proved in the Court of York.	Nottingham	IR 26/431

OXFORDSHIRE

Oxfordshire Record Office

05 Feb 1620	Richard Meller	Bond PARTIES: 1. Richard Spurre of Oxford, Tailor. 2. a) Richard Gemmings of Oxford, Baker. b) Richard Meller, of Oxford, Gunsmith	Oxford	PAR211/4/L3/1
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16 Feb 1662	Edward Wise	Assignment of term of 10,000 years Description Property: Cottage near the bridge of Bicester, with Tanne house, yard and closes Parties : (1) Benjamin Clements of Edmonton, Middlesex, gent, Henry Fawler of Chipping Norton, mercer and Edward Wise of Oxford, gunsmith (2) Richard Grantham of Bicester, miller and John Gibbs of Merton, miller	Oxford	SL1/2D/1
10 December 1726	John Smith	John Smith Apprentice to John Nicholes, gunsmith.	Oxford	Oxford Freeman Index 1663–1997 Reference OPI-60625
27 Sep 1744	John Nicholas	Mortgage PARTIES: 1. a) Edmund Ayliscomb of Oxford, Tallow Chandler. b) Elizabeth, Wife of 1a, and Daughter and heir of Joan Richardson, Widow of Matthew Richardson. 2. John Nicholas the Younger of Oxford, Gunsmith. CONSIDERATION: £30. COMMENTS: 1 mortgage their leasehold on the above property to 2.	Oxford	PAR211/13/7D/21
23 Mar 1750	William Fidler	Assignment of Mortgage for £40, Parties: 1) William Hurst 2) Thomas Mace 3) Peter Spiers of Oxford University, manciple, and William Fidler of Oxford, gunsmith	Oxford	B5/26/D/11

16 February 1767	John Davis	Oxford Freemen Index 1663–1997 John Davis, gunsmith.	Oxford	Oxford Freemen Index 1663–1997, Reference OPI-56723
29 Mar 1774	Thomas Sayer	Bond Parties include; 1) Thomas Sayer, parish of St Thomas, city of Oxford, gunsmith	Oxford	B25/4/167/D1/11
29 Mar 1774	Thomas Sayer	Deed of revocation and Mortgage for £25 and interest, Parties include; 1) Richard Tawney, parish of St Thomas, city of Oxford, gent. 2) Thomas Sayer, St Thomas, city of Oxford, gunsmith, and Dianna his wife	Oxford	B25/4/167/D1/10
25 Mar 1775	Thomas Sayer	Assignment of mortgage Parties include; 1) Edward Tawney, parish of St Thomas, city of Oxford, gent. 2) Thomas Sayer, parish of St Thomas, city of Oxford, gunsmith	Oxford	B25/4/167/D1/12
23/Dec/1776	Thomas Sawyer	Deed of Partition PARTIES: 1. a) Thomas Hicke of Oxford St. Thomas, Mason. b) Anne, Wife of 1a and daughter of John Buckingham above. 2. a) Thomas Sawyer of Oxford St. Thomas, Gunsmith...	Oxford	B15/2/29D/1

7 Sep 1805	John Ariss	Bond 1a) John Ariss of Banbury, gunsmith; 1b) William Millward of Banbury, ironmonger; 2) Mayor, aldermen and capital burgesses of Banbury 1 is bound to 2 in £50	Banbury	BOR2/XVIII/viii/3
06 Jan 1807- 07 Jan 1807	James Sykes	Lease & release Parties: 1. Richard Smith of Oxford, vintner 2. Richard Cox of Oxford, banker 3. Thomas Roberson of Oxford, gent. 4. James Sykes of Oxford, gunsmith	Oxford	SL38/3/8/D/1-2
10 February 1817	James Sykes	James Sykes Apprentice to James Sykes, gunmaker.	Oxford	Oxford Freemen Index 1663–1997, Reference OPI-60807
01 Dec 1817	James Sykes	Transfer of Mortgage Parties: 1) John Broadwater 2) Stephen Molineux 3) James Sykes of Oxford, gunmaker Property: see document B5/19/D/1-2. Consideration: £100	Oxford	B5/19/D/5
28/Aug/1821	James Sykes	Deed of covenant to produce title deeds Parties: 1. James Sykes the elder of Oxford, gunmaker 2. Daniel Taunton of Oxford, gent. Includes schedule of deeds dated 16/Aug/1733- 24/Apr/1817	Oxford	SL38/3/3/D/22

27 Aug 1821- 28 Aug 1821	James Sykes	Lease & release with assignment of term of 1,000 years Parties include; 1. Edward Hunt of Botley, Berks., miller 2. William Holmes of Great James St., Bedford Row, Middx, gent. 3. Daniel Taunton of Oxford, gent., & Maria, his wife 4. James Sykes the elder of Oxford, gunmaker 5. William Taylor of Oxford, tailor 6. Loder Prickett the younger of Oxford, gent. 7. Crews Dudley of Oxford, gent. Property: 2 messuages or tenements and use of pump in yard in parish of Oxford St Aldate otherwise St Tolls	Oxford	?????
01 Jun 1833	Thomas Beckley	Recognizance of Thomas Beckley of St. Peter's in the East, gunmaker Defendant: James Davison, felony	Oxford	QS1833/3/L2/16
22/Jun/1833	James Edwards	Recognizance of James Edwards of St. Clement's, gunmaker Defendant: James Davison, felony.	Oxford	QS1833/3/L2/18
17 February 1834	William Field	Oxford Freemen Index 1663–1997 William Field, gunmaker.	Oxford	Reference OPI-56799
11/Feb/1839- 12/Feb/1839	James Sykes	Lease & release Parties: 1. John Archer of Oxford, brewer, & John Parker of Botley, Berks., timber merchant 2. James Sykes of Oxford, gunsmith Property: 2 messuages, tenements...	Oxford	SL38/3/9/D/3-4

29/Jul/1846	Henry Annell	Recognizance of William Accrington Peel of Cuxham, gent, and Alfred Hoar of Cuxham, groom, and Henry Annell of Uxbridge, Middlesex, gunsmith, and Joseph Moods of Cuxham, constable, defendant: David King and Thomas King	Uxbridge, Middlesex	QS1846/4/L2/6
9/Oct/1847	Henry Holland	Recognizance of Luke Forest of Burford, labourer; George Bayliss of Burford, labourer; Henry Holland of Burford, gunsmith defendant: Josiah Hinton	Burford	QS1847/4/L2/69
18 May 1850	Henry Holland	Recognizance of Richard Dossett, carpenter, William Dossett, son of Richard, and Henry Holland, gunsmith, all of Burford defendant: Angelina Cook	Burford	QS1850/3/L2/53

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02 April 1657	William Marshall	Will of William Marshall, Gunsmith of Charlbury, Oxfordshire	Charlbury	PROB 11/263
16 March 1824	James Sykes	Will of James Sykes, Gun Maker of Oxford, Oxfordshire	Oxford	PROB 11/1683
24 May 1854	Jabez Bloxham Welch	Will of Jabez Bloxham Welch, Gunmaker of Banbury, Oxfordshire	Banbury	PROB 11/2192
16 December 1857	William Holland	Will of William Holland, Gunmaker of Banbury, Oxfordshire	Banbury	PROB 11/2261

SHROPSHIRE

Shropshire Record Office

1664	Edward Oldbury	Indemnity bond: John Oldbury of Westwood yeo., Edward Oldbury, gunsmith, John Walker of Quatford and Richard Malpas, glover	Bridgenorth	XBB/G/1/1/57
9 June 1691	Robert Bond	Lease of a garden in Mill Street, Ludlow 1. Thomas Powys and Thomas Lea, Bailiffs of the Corporation of Ludlow 2. Robert Bond, Ludlow, Gunsmith Consideration : 1 Term : 31 years Rent : 4s	Ludlow	XLB/4/1/734
25 June 1691	Henry Sheppard	Alienation license for a messuage and shop in Broad Street, Ludlow 1. Thomas Powys and Thomas Lea, Bailiffs of the Corporation of Ludlow 2. Henry Sheppard, Ludlow, Gunsmith and Anne, his wife 1-2 'All that messuage or tenement, shop and garden...' (boundaries given)	Ludlow	XLB/4/1/736
1 Oct 1701	Richard Powell	Assignment of lease of a house called 'The Pheasant' in the High Street 1. Susan Powell of Bridgnorth, widow of Richard Powell the elder, blacksmith and Richard Powell the younger of Bridgnorth, gunsmith 2. Samuel Walton of Bridgnorth, corvisor 1-2 for remainder of the term, house and land at the south end of the High Street.	Bridgnorth	XBB/E/1/2/101

1 Jun 1704	Richard Powell	Lease and counterpart for 99 years of a shop in Listley Street 1. Joseph Mason and William Hamond, Bailiffs and the Burgesses of Bridgnorth 2. Richard Powell of Bridgnorth, gunsmith 1-2 Shop in possession of 2 in Listley Street between two of the Corporation's tenements occupied by Margaret Baker, spinster.	Bridgnorth	XBB/E/1/2/108
1 Aug 1721	Richard Powell	Lease and counterpart for 99 years of a gunsmiths shop in Listley Street 1. Thomas Mason and John Corser, gents. Bailiffs and the Burgesses of Bridgnorth 2. Richard Powell of Bridgnorth, gunsmith 1-2 messuage and gunsmiths shop with void ground between in the possession of 2 on the south side of Listley Street	Bridgnorth	XBB/E/1/2/160
12 Feb 1722	John Hunt	Agreement to supply water in Corve Street 1. John Hunt, gunsmith, from Ross, Hereford. 2. Francis Dee, surgeon, from Ludlow. Hunt, will maintain waterworks & pipes, and lay pipes in Corve St	Ross, Hereford	XLB/7/4/1/7
8 Oct 1726	Richard Powell	Assignment of lease for 99 years of a shop in Listley Street 1. Susannah Powell of Bridgnorth, spinster, executrix of her brother Richard Powell of Bridgnorth, gunsmith 2. William Phillips of Bridgnorth, mason 1-2 messuage and gunsmiths shop, void ground etc. on the south side of Listley Street leased by the Corporation.	Bridgnorth	XBB/E/1/2/178

10 Jan 1729	Richard Powell Joseph Oldbury	Assignment of lease for 99 years of a shop in Listley Street 1. Susannah Powell of Bridgnorth, spinster, executrix of the will of Richard Powell, gunsmith 2. Joseph Oldbury of Bridgnorth, gunsmith 1-2 shop at the upper end of Listley Street leased by the Corporation to Richard Powell decd. (boundary given).	Bridgnorth	XBB/E/1/2/191
10 Jan 1739	Richard Powell Joseph Oldbury	Assignment of lease for 99 years of a shop in Listley Street 1. Susannah Powell of Bridgnorth, spinster, executor of [her brother] the late Richard Powell of Bridgnorth, gunsmith 2. Joseph Oldbury of Bridgnorth, gunsmith 1-2 for remainder of term, a shop in Listley Street leased by The Corporation	Bridgnorth	XBB/E/1/2/240
7 and 8 March 1745	Richard Willding	Abstract of title of the Rev A.R.Lloyd to property in Whittington Schedule of deeds from September 1740; 7 and 8 March 1745 1. James Turner 2. Richard Powell, Henry Forrest, John Spencer 3. Thomas Evans 4. Edward Elisha and Richard Willding of Shrewsbury gunsmith	Shrewsbury	X2216/2/1/R322975

14-15 September 1750	John Corfield	Deed of Partition (Lease and Release) the 3 further pieces and the meadow; ms. tmts., or dw. houses and warehouse in the Wild Cop, Shrewsbury, contiguous to one another, of Thomas Cooper, Mr. Maurice Price, Bolas Hughes, John Harper, Mary Wood, John Jones, John Corfield, gunsmith, to 4.	Shrewsbury	X103/1/3/1/1/14
6 Jan 1753	William Harding	Leases relating to a property in Corve Street, Ludlow Lease and counterpart 1. Corporation of Ludlow 2. William Harding, Bromfield, Gunsmith 1-2 '...Messuages or tenement with the appurtenances situate in...Corve Street...' Consideration : 3.8s.7d. Term : 31 years Rent : 7s	Bromfield	XLB/4/1/766
1765	Robert Harding	Admission certificate: John Harding (gunsmith)	?????	XLB/16/128
22 July 1772	John Harding	Copy release and settlement 1. Mary Heath of Ludlow, widow of Samuel Heath late of Ludlow, innkeeper decd, one of the devisees in his will 2. John Harding of Ludlow, gunsmith and Margaret his wife, only daughter and heir at law of Samuel Heath and devisee in his will.	Ludlow	XSAL/2/14/7/R313767

27 Nov 1788	William Stanton	Articles for sale of walnut trees 1. William Owen of Woodhouse, Esq. 2. William Stanton of Shrewsbury, gunsmith William Owen sells to William Stanton 8 walnut trees growing at Woodhouse, and all walnut trees growing on the estates of William Owen at Shelvocke and Brongwin, Montgom.	Shrewsbury	X3890/3/2/5/2
1791	Robert Harding	RECORDS OF LUDLOW HAMMERMENS SOCIETY Admission certificate: Robert Harding, gunsmith	Ludlow	XLB/16/200

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05 April 1837	Richard Clemson	Will of Richard Clemson, Gunsmith of Shrewsbury , Shropshire	Shrewsbury	PROB 11/1876
1673	John Tomley	Bond in £20. Poor and Charities. Indemnity Bonds. (1) William Thomas late of Braniarth, co. Montgomery, scrivener, and John Tomley of Oswestry, gunsmith. (2) Richard Jones and John Glover, esq., Bailiffs of Oswestry. William Thomas indemnifies (2)	Oswestry	Oswestry Town Council OB/A61/3

SOMERSET

Somerset Record Office

22 Dec 1635	Henry Geiles	<p>Minehead quay area lease</p> <p>Description: 1 Thomas Luttrell 2 Henry Geiles of Minehead, gunsmith.</p> <p>Indented counterpart lease for 99 years on three lives of 20 ft of waste near the Weare Pool, Minehead on west side of highway against the hill between ground promised to Robert Seager on SW end and ground promised to William Hatsell on NW on which Henry will build a cellar or shop for 12d rent.</p>	Minehead	DD\L/P30/78
22 Dec 1635	Henry Geiles	<p>Minehead quay area lease</p> <p>Description</p> <p>1 Thomas Luttrell 2 Robert Seagar of Minehead husbandman.</p> <p>Indented counterpart lease for 99 years on three lives of 20 ft of waste near the Weare Pool west of highway against hill between rock adjoining new house of Thomas Harwood SW and plot granted to Henry Geiles gunsmith NW on which to build a house or cellar; rent 12d.</p>	Minehead	DD\L/P30/81

1 Aug 1636	Henry Geiles	Minehead quay area lease Description 1 Thomas Luttrell 2 William Hatsell, of Minehead clothier. Indented counterpart lease for 99 years on three lives of 40 ft of waste west of highway to the Weare pool near Minehead quay on which William has begun to build a house between ground granted to Henry Geiles, gunsmith and that bounded out for Robert Smith with liberty to improve ground back to Minehead hill. Rent 2s	Minehead	DD\L/P30/84
9 Jul 1649	Simon Basse	QUARTER SESSIONS RECORDS FOR THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET Sessions rolls Examination of Antony Appleby of North Curry concerning a report made by Simon Basse, gunsmith of Bridgwater, concerning a fight between the Scotts and the Lord General [Thomas Fairfax]. JP: John Pym....	Bridgwater	D\N\tau.mst/1/1/7
12 May 1657	Walter Slocombe	Articles of good behaviour. Articles against Lewis Sweeting of Dunster, innkeeper, brought by Walter Slocombe of Dunster, gunsmith concerning sending a man for the night watch of Dunster borough. JP: Thomas Siderfin.	Dunster	Q/SR/95/200

23 Nov 1676	James Merricke	Description: Evidences given by Edmund Banwell of Wedmore, Labourer, John Hellyer of West Harptree, Butcher, and Richard Porch of East Horrington, Wells St Cuthbert, concerning the theft of 36 sheep belonging to Anne Hicks of Wells [Wells St Cuthbert?], Widow, and charging James Merricke of Wedmore, Gunsmith, with the said theft. Also evidences given by James Merricke firstly that the 36 sheep in question are his own sheep and then confessing that he stole the sheep from a close in Ashcott belonging to Anne Hicks.	Wedmore	Q/SR/131/13
1676	Walter Slocombe	Probate inventory for Walter Slocombe, gunsmith, of Dunster.	Dunster	DD\SP/1676/52
22 Jun 1683	Hugh Moore	Nettlecombe and Beggarnhuish - Leases 1674-1717, Mortgages, Recovery, Miscellaneous Papers Counterpart lease of close called Putnoller, in Beggearn Huish. Description: 1 Francis Luttrell Esq. 2 Hugh Moore gunsmith. Autograph: Moore. Seal: a rose, slipped	Nettlecombe?	DD\L/2/11/59/8
1689	William Apsey	BICKNOLLER PARISH RECORDS Title: Section of Bond to 'cast repaire and make good all waste lead and timber and iron worke in ye middle gutter.' Description: William Apsey of Nettlecombe, gunsmith.	Nettlecombe	D\P\bic/8/1/2

12 June 1703	Walter Slocombe	LUTTRELL FAMILY OF DUNSTER MANUSCRIPTS Conveyance. [The High House] Description: 1 Elizabeth Collard of Spaxton widow 2 Robert Copp blacksmith 3 Walter Slocombe gunsmith and Thomas Stadden cooper.	Dunster	DD\L/1/29/25a/2
1703	Joseph Moon	Various families wills. Description: Probates of wills - includes; Joseph Moon, senior, of Somerton, gunsmith, 1703, proved 1710	Somerton	DD\DN/147
30 Aug 1709	Joseph Moone	PAPERS OF THE DICKINSON FAMILY OF KINGWESTON Bundle of deeds for lands in various Somerset parishes. 1 May 1655-30 Aug 1742 Mortgage by Susan Moone of Somerton, widow and Joseph Moone of Somerton, gunsmith to Graffin Prankard of Somerton, maltster, of a close of meadow known as Land Mead, containing an acre at Somerton, 30 Aug 1709;	Somerton	DD\DN/2/19/1
30 Dec 1710	Joseph Moone	PAPERS OF THE DICKINSON FAMILY OF KINGWESTON Wills for various Somerset families. 26 Jan 1685-[7 May 1779] probate of the will of Joseph Moone the elder of Somerton, gunsmith, proved: 30 Dec 1710	Somerton	DD\CM/248

2 Feb 1712/13	Joseph Moone	PAPERS OF THE DICKINSON FAMILY OF KINGWESTON Mortgage of a dwelling house and garden, etc., [in Somerton] by Susan Moone of Somerton, widow of the late Joseph Moone, gunsmith, to Graffin Prankard of Somerton, malster, for £12, 2 Feb 1712/13. Recites earlier lease of the property for 99 years or lives to Joseph Moone by the Honourable Robert Cecill, brother to the Right Honourable James Earl of Salisbury, and others [date missing], with reference to Joseph Moone the younger, Elianor Moone and Thomas Moone, children of Joseph.	Somerton	DD\DN/7/5/1
1717	James Savidge	High Littleton deeds. Description: Leases of coal mines and veins in the Long Hills and other lands belonging to Hallatrow Farm, Joseph Langton to James Savidge of Litton, gunsmith, and others (2 documents) 1717	Litton	Ref No DD\GL/132
1717	Richard Webb	QUARTER SESSIONS RECORDS FOR THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET Papists' Estates John Taunton of Bristol, shipwright. 1717 ...Messuage in East Street, Bedminster formerly occupied by Richard Webb, gunsmith, later John Stephens then John Roberts, both weavers (freehold); annuity on lands in Charlton Mackrell....	Bristol	Q/SR/314/139

7 Feb 1720	John Bishop	Conveyance. [Loxhole Meadow] Description: 1 Susannah Turner of Minehead widow 2 William Blackford of Holnicote in Selworthy Esq.; John Alloway, Heman Ball and Morgan Price of Minehead merchants; Francis Bradley gent; William Withicombe and Thomas Stadden yeomen; John Bishop gunsmith. 3 Nathaniel Pool surgeon.	Minehead	DD\L/1/29/26/1
25 Mar 1721	Robert Moore	Lease. Description: 1. Sir John Trevelyan, bt of Nettlecombe. 2. Robert Moore of Nettlecombe, gunsmith. Lease for 3 lives of Slade, Nettlecombe. Fine £336, rent 10s 6d.	Nettlecombe	DD\WO/12/6/2
17 Feb 1728	David Wimpen	Removal Order. Description: Evidence of Amos Jenkins of Vallis, Frome Selwood, yeoman, in a case concerning the alleged theft of some plough chains belonging to Amos Jenkins by David Wimpen, gunsmith, and William Edwards, blacksmith, both of Frome Selwood. JP: Joseph Browne.	Frome Selwood	Q/SR/318/4/27
1729	Walter Slocombe	MARY STREET CHAPEL, TAUNTON Trusts, endowments, income Deeds of lands and other properties Jane Prowse's donation. [1729] ..., Walter Slowcomb, Dunster, gunsmith; Christopher Hawkins, senior, Stogumber, yeoman....	Dunster	Q/SR/295/10

8 Oct 1746	Richard Baker	Certificate of discharge. Description: Richard Baker of Bruton, gunsmith, presented as a common disturber of the peace for abusing John Dampier, a member of the grand jury at Bruton Quarter Sessions, in compassion to his wife and family, is forgiven by Dampier.	Bruton	Q/SR/314/139
5 Jan 1751	John Bird	QUARTER SESSIONS RECORDS FOR THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET Sessions roll for Epiphany 1751. Removal Order. 5 Jan 1751 Order that Mary Bird, Singlewoman and daughter of John Bird, Gunsmith, deceased, be removed from Wells St Cuthbert to Bruton, this being her last place of legal settlement.	Bruton	Q/SR/318/4/27
24 Mar 1753	Robert Bolster	Deeds of Chesterblade in the Parish of Evercreech Assignment and confirmation of property as DD\WOA/5. 24 Mar 1753 ...The Rev. Samuel Whitchurch, Nunney, clerk: John Gane, Chesterblade, yeoman; Robert Bolster, Bristol, gunsmith....	Bristol	DD\L/2/11/59/8
1764	Jerome Clapp	Ilminster deeds. Description: Deeds relating to various properties including Jerome Clapp, gunsmith, and wife Rebecca of Chard, 1764	Chard	DD\CM/248

15 Mar 1775	Samuel Evans	DEEDS TO VARIOUS BATH PROPERTIES No. 28 The Circus, Bath. Assignment. 15 Mar 1775 ...1. Samuel Evans of Bristol, gunsmith son of Dorcas Evans, wife of Thomas Evans of Bath, plush weaver, deceased, sister of Samuel Dancey of Bath, gent., deceased; Samuel Evans being a legatee...	Bristol	DD\L/2/11/59/8
30 May 1808	John Cook	PAPERS OF THE SOMERVILLE FAMILY OF DINDER Bundle of deeds for a messuage and fulling mill at Croscombe. 10 Oct 1745-1854 Assignment by John Exley of London, gent to John Cook of Shepton Mallet, gunsmith, of a messuage and lands at Croscombe, 30 May 1808	Shepton Mallet	DD\SVL/2/4/13
1 Jun 1809	Thomas Yolsworthy	RECORDS OF TAUNTON TOWN CHARITY (NOW THE TAUNTON HERITAGE TRUST) Lease of a messuage on High Street, Taunton St Mary. 1 Jun 1809 to; Others including Thomas Yolsworthy of Taunton, gunsmith	Taunton	DD\TAC/5/5/16
23-24 Jun 1819	John Cook	Enclosed abstract of deeds 1780-95. Lease and release. 23-24 Jun 1819 John Cook of Shepton Mallet, gunmaker. Lease and release of Tadhil manor.	Shepton Mallet	DD\PM/2/2/21-23

26 May 1830	Thomas Goldsworthy	Bundle of deeds relating to 153 East Reach, Taunton. 10 Jun 1714-31 May 1950 On 26 May 1830 Mary Knot surrendered the property to Thomas Goldsworthy of Taunton St Mary, gunsmith.	Taunton	DD\SVL/2/4/13
1843	Edwin Lauder	Depositions and charge. Nov-Dec 1843 Examination of Charles Morgan, farmer, John Bengelfield, his servant, both of Cucklington, Somerset, Edwin Lauder, gunmaker, of Mere, Wiltshire, Joseph Millard, policeman, Shadrack Long, bone and rag gatherer.	Mere, Wiltshire	Q/SR/533/57-62
26 Sep 1843	William Hole	BATH CORPORATION DEEDS Regent Terrace, Bath. Assignment. 26 Sep 1843 1. Hinton East Drake of Bath, gent. 2. William Hole of Bristol, gunsmith and Mary Ann his wife. 3. Richard Eckley of the parish of Bathwick Somerset, gent.	Bristol	DD\L/2/11/59/8
6 Apr 1875	James Scorse	RECORDS OF WARDS SOLICITORS, WESTON SUPER MARE Deeds relating to a messuage known as the Bakehouse, Box Court, Cheddar. 1822-1875 On 6 Apr 1875 James Scorse of Cheddar, yeoman and Henry Hudson junior of Rowbarton, blacksmith conveyed the house to Jesse Scorse of Cheddar, gunsmith.	Cheddar	A\CEG/1/10/16

13 Sep 1877	George Sheppard	Leases for properties in East Street, Taunton St Mary, as owned by the Taunton Town Lands Charity. 1815-1877. Others including George Sheppard, gunsmith, all of Taunton, to John Clode of Taunton, fishmonger, of a messuage, number 17 East Street, Taunton St Mary, for the term of 14 years, 13 Sep 1877.	Taunton	DD\TAC/5/5/26
1885	Jesse Scorse	Deeds relating to Cheddar A dwelling in Cheddar. Consideration: £120 ...i) John Edwards of Taunton, manufacturer ii) Samuel Jefferies of Cheddar, yeoman iii) Jesse Scorse of Cheddar, gunsmith	Cheddar	A\CEG/1/10/52

Bath Chronicle Newspaper Archives (via Bath Record Office)				
6 Dec 1770	Joseph Thwaits	Notices: Joseph Thwaits, gun-maker of Bath appeals for details of orders taken in his name by a dishonest journeyman employee, James Templeman & now has new staff to amend mistakes.	Bath	Bath Chronicle 1270/1770 article:3 c
4 Apr 1771	Joseph Thwaites	Crime: various clothes [detailed] marked H.B. of a gentleman were stolen from his lodgings last month. 3 guineas reward for information from Mr Thwaites, gunmaker of Stall St, Bath	Bath	Bath Chronicle 363/1771 article:2,b

22 Aug 1771	Joseph Thwaits	Goods: auction - all household furniture [listed] of Mr Thwaits [sic] at his house 2 doors below the Tuns in Stall St, Bath on 28 Aug et seq. by Wm. Cross. Mr Cross has also taken premises & all exhibition rooms in Bond Street for receipt of furniture, stock in trade, etc.	Bath	Bath Chronicle 899/1771 article:3 a
12 Dec 1782	William. Smith	Goods: Wm. Smith, gunmaker, at his shop in New Market Row nr the New Bridge, Bath. Makes & sells all sorts of guns & pistols, double barrel do, sells all sorts of gunpowder, patent & common short flints, etc.	Bath	Bath Chronicle 1574/1782 article:3 b
23 Jul 1789	Cook	Goods: for sale - complete gun with 3 barrels (2'9", 3'3" & 3'6" long), reduced from 15 to 10 guineas, at Mr Cook's, gunmaker, Kingsmead St. Also double-barrelled gun of a new construction, 10 guineas.	Bath	Bath Chronicle 1118/1789 article:1 c
11 Oct 1792	William Cook James Cook	Livestock: stolen or strayed horse - Wed 3 Oct from field of Wm Cook, gunsmith at in Anclift, Westwood parish, nr Bradford on Avon, bay chestnut/ stallion 12½ hands. Information to Wm Cook or Mr James Cook, gunsmith, Kingsmead St. Reward offered.	Bath	Bath Chronicle 1811/1792 article:3 d
25 Jul 1799	Cook	Marriages: Mr Cook, gunsmith of Bath to Miss Bachelor of Weston	Bath	Bath Chronicle 1626/1799 article:3,c
4 Jul 1799	Samuel Galton	Deaths: Samuel Galton, esq, gunmaker of Birmingham, in Henrietta St, Bath, aged 79 on Sunday See Warwickshire 1797	Bath	Bath Chronicle 1475/1799 article:3,b

05 August 1653	Henry Giles	Will of Henry Giles, Gunsmith of Minehead, Somerset	Minehead	PROB 11/228
27 April 1804	James Cook	Will of James Cook, Gunsmith of Walcot (Bath), Somerset (BATH)	Bath	PROB 11/1407
01 January 1851	Thomas Golsworthy	Will of Thomas Golsworthy, Gunsmith of Taunton, Saint Mary Magdalene, Somerset	Taunton	PROB 11/2125

SOUTH YORKSHIRE - SHEFFIELD

South Yorkshire Record Office				
5 Jul 1738	Joshua Fox	Mortgage on a dwelling house in Hartshead, Sheffield John Scratchard, of Sheffield, cutler, to Joshua Fox, of Sheffield, gunsmith. To secure a principal of £30 with interest.	Sheffield	TT/101/6
1 Jan 1741	Joshua Fox	Assignment of a mortgage Joshua Fox, of Sheffield, gunsmith, as mortgagee, with the mortgagor, John Scratchard, of Sheffield, cutler, to John Wait, of Sheffield, linen draper. For £30 paid to Fox, being the principal of TT/10/43/6 still outstanding, and £3 paid to Scratchard.	Sheffield	TT/101/8

1 Dec 1825	William Higgs Hawksworth	[Under] lease of a messuage, workshop and premises in Fargate or Barker Pool, Sheffield, now in the occupation of Daniel Primrose, William Higgs Hawksworth, of Market Harborough, Leicestershire, gunmaker and cutler, to Daniel Primrose, of Sheffield, ivory cutter and furniture broker. For a term of 14 years. Annual rent of £21	Market Harborough	TT/77/6
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STAFFORDSHIRE

Staffordshire & Litchfield Record Offices

1642	Peter Oulton	Bond to repair and maintain the little bell belonging to Leigh Parish Church Peter Oulton of Uttoxeter, gunsmith/church warden of Leigh	Uttoxeter	D896/2
July 1707	William Goodwin	Records of the Staffordshire County Quarter Sessions William Dickinson to appear at the next Quarter Sessions in the case of William Goodwin of Uttoxeter, gunsmith charged with stealing a piece of silver plate and selling it to Richard Stubbings of Uttoxeter, linen draper, deceased.	Uttoxeter	Q/SR/469/1

2 Jul 1744	Richard Baddiley	Case type: Testamentary/ Inventory Principal people: Baddiley, Richard, gunsmith Principal places: Birmingham, Warwickshire Further details: Baddiley described as toymaker in B/C/5/1774/164; laths and other tools grouped; Perrey Mill and Rushall Furnace	Birmingham	B/C/5/1744/166
25 Dec 1747	Thomas Vyger	Lease by Thomas Gisborne of Birmingham, dyer, to Thomas Vyger of Birmingham, gunsmith, of a messuage or tenement at the Hincklys, Birmingham	Birmingham	D6107/5/43
27 Nov 1750	Farmer	Defamation/ Deposition Principal people: HEGS, Ann, wife of Joseph; HEGS, John, carpenter and joiner; Lane, Sarah; Collitt, Mary; Farmer, Mr. Principal places: Birmingham, Warwickshire; St. John's Street, Birmingham, Warwickshire Further details: Mr. Farmer Quaker gunsmith, moved from B'ham to London; John Banner; Doctor Higgs, physician	Birmingham	B/C/5/1750/25

Nov 1751	Richard Baker	Depositions and related warrant Examination and confession of Richard Baker of Sedgley, gunsmith: he and Thomas Evans of Ettensal [ettingshall], brickmaker, stole polyanthus plants and carnation layers from the garden of William Perry of Wednesbury, and they were shared out between Thomas Evans, Hugh Evans of Ettingshall and William Evans of Goldthorn Hill; also Baker and William Evans had stolen from the garden of Thomas Law of Penn 100 polyanthus plants and a few auricula plants and set them in the ground in Hugh Evans' garden in Ettingshall, 9 Nov 1751	Sedgley	Q/SBe/19/1-9
16 Sep 1755	Owen Probin	Case type: Defamation/ Citation Principal people: Probin, Mary, wife of Owen; Probin, Owen, gunsmith; Turbit, Mary; Turbit, John Principal places: Birmingham, Warwickshire Further details: John Turbit, stamper	Birmingham	B/C/5/1755/16
23 Sep 1762	William Tibbitts	Case type: Testamentary/ Deposition Principal people: Tibbitts, William, gunsmith; Russell, Henry, gun barrel mkr deceased; Russell, Sarah; Russell, James Principal places: Wednesbury, Staffordshire Further details: William worked for Henry in gunsmith shop; Henry previously worked for other masters	Wednesbury	B/C/5/1762/89

23 Sep 1762		Case type: Testamentary/ Deposition Principal people: Henshall, John, gunlock maker; Russell, Henry, gunsmith deceased; Russell, Sarah; Russell, James Principal places: Wednesbury, Staffordshire Further details: bellows and anvil in shop property of deceased or his master	Wednesbury	B/C/5/1762/91
Apr 1763	Benjamin Willetts	Benjamin Willetts of Wednesbury, gunsmith to appear as witness in the case of Joseph Gibbons of [illegible] labourer, charged with feloniously entering a shop belonging to Benjamin Willetts and stealing a quantity of iron	Wednesbury	Q/SR/635/12
Apr 1763	Thomas Stokes	Bond to appear at the next Quarter sessions Thomas Stokes of Wednesbury, gunsmith to appear in the case of Joseph Gibbon charged with felony.	Wednesbury	Q/SR/635/1
Jan 1766	Benjamin Willetts	Bond to appear at the next Quarter Sessions Benjamin Willetts of Wednesbury, gunsmith, in the case of William Parsons charged with breaking down the rails on a bridge on the property of Benjamin Willetts.	Wednesbury	Q/SR/644/43
10 Jun 1766	John Whateley	Case type: Testamentary/ Acts of court Principal people: Eades, Mary, wife John daughter John; Whateley, John, gunsmith deceased; Eades, John; Whateley, Thomas Principal places: Birmingham, Warwickshire Further details: will in possession of Thomas Whateley, secreted and suppressed	Birmingham	B/C/5/1766/145

1770	Thomas Hopkins	Defamation Principal people: Thomas Hopkins, gunsmith; Sarah Hopkins, spinster Principal place: Wednesbury, Staffordshire	Wednesbury	B/C/5/1770/80
14 Mar 1770	Robert Wilson John Heely Thomas Oughton Heely Richard Heely	Testamentary/affidavit Principal people: John Heely, gunsmith executor; Thomas Oughton Heely, gunsmith executor; Robert Wilson Principal place: Birmingham St Martin, Warwickshire Further details: Robert Wilson, gunsmith, also executor Richard Heely, gunsmith	Birmingham	B/C/5/1770/200
6 Jun 1770	Joseph Pendrill	Testamentary/citation with intimation Principal people: Joseph Pendrill, gunsmith deceased; Anne Fox, widow; William Boden; Michael Broome Principal place: Birmingham St Philip, Warwickshire	Birmingham	B/C/5/1770/180
1 Nov 1770	Robert Wilson John Heely Richard Heely	Testamentary/affidavit Principal people: John Heely, gunsmith brother of Ann; Ann Wayman, widow deceased; Richard Heely; William Wayman Principal place: Birmingham St Martin, Warwickshire Further details: Richard Heeley deceased gunsmith; William Wayman grocer late husband	Birmingham	B/C/5/1770/197
1 Nov 1770	Joseph Pendrill	Testamentary/citation with intimation Principal people: Joseph Pendrill, gunsmith deceased; Anne Fox, widow; William Boden; Michael Broome Principal place: Birmingham St Philip, Warwickshire	Birmingham	B/C/5/1770/180

7 May 1772	John Jefferies	Case type: Testamentary/ Assigning guardianship Principal people: Jefferies, Richard, minor son John; Jefferies, John, gunsmith; Jefferies, Mary alias Dronfield Principal places: Chesterfield, Derbyshire Further details: Sign of the Angel, Chesterfield before Thomas White; Mary administratrix John Dronfield taylor deceased	Chesterfield, Derbyshire	B/C/5/1772/39
1778	Owen Probin	Defamation Principal people: Joseph Motteram, broker; Owen Probin, gunsmith Principal place: Birmingham, Warwickshire	Birmingham	B/C/5/1778/291
1780	Benjamin Williams	Indictments: not true bills /141 Indictment against Benjamin Williams of Handsworth, gunmaker, and others for riotously assembling, disturbing the peace and assaulting John Tibbetts, [Jul 1780]	Handsworth	Q/SB 1780 T/141
1787	Jas. Spittle	Title deeds re 2 closes called Goody als. Goldy Crofts and meadow adjoining in Wednesbury Includes: (D1376/A/49/3) copy will of Jas. Spittle of Wednesbury, gunsmith, 1787	Wednesbury	D1376/A/49/1-10
1790	Joseph Banskin or Benskin	Defamation Principal people: Martha Doody, spinster; Ann wife of Joseph Banskin or Benskin, gunsmith Principal place: Birmingham, Warwickshire	Birmingham	B/C/5/1790/158

1791	Robert Wilson John Heely Thomas Oughton	Testamentary Principal people: John Heely, Thomas Oughton, Robert Wilson, executors named in the will and thus creditors, Richard Heely gunsmith, creditor; William Wayman, only son of the deceased, now in the East Indies Principal place: St Martin Birmingham, Warwickshire Deceased person: Ann Wayman, widow	Birmingham	B/C/5/1791/78
1793	William Brighton	Depositions Information of William Brighton the younger of Wednesbury, gunsmith, and others, about the theft of wet clothes from gooseberry bushes in garden, suspecting Thomas Rotham of the theft, 28 Mar 1793	Wednesbury	Q/SB 1793 E/62 - 97
1799	John Probin	Defamation Principal people: Ann Roden, widow; John Probin, gunmaker Principal place: Birmingham, Warwickshire	Birmingham	B/C/5/1799/74
1807	Jeremiah Chaplin	Convictions before individual justices; 366 James Mayland of Darlaston, gunlocksmith, for getting drunk [on a Sunday], 6 Oct 1807 367-368 Jeremiah Chaplin of Birmingham, gunmaker, and John Highfield of Standon, farmer, for keeping and using dogs (setting dogs, a lurcher) for the destruction of game, Aug, Sep 1807	Birmingham	Q/SB 1807 M/365-271

07 May 1728	John Welsh	Will of John Welsh, Gunsmith of Aldridge, Staffordshire	Aldridge	PROB 11/622
01 November 1746	John Grice	Will of John Grice, Gunmaker and Gun Barrell Forger of Handsworth, Staffordshire	Handsworth	PROB 11/750
15 June 1757	John Willets	Will of John Willets, Gun Maker of Wednesbury, Staffordshire	Wednesbury	PROB 11/831
19 September 1769	Richard Edge	Will of Richard Edge, Gunmaker of Wednesbury, Staffordshire	Wednesbury	PROB 11/951

SUFFOLK

Suffolk Record Office				
21 Oct 1684	Stephen Parker	Bond Stephen Parker, jun., of Ipswich, gunsmith, to churchwardens for £10 Description: To keep agreement to set up a clock over the Barr gates of the parish	Ipswich	FB95/G1/4
18 Nov 1705	Henry Scrivener	Apprenticeship indenture in respect of Henry Warden to Henry Scrivener, St. Johns, Wapping, Middlesex, gunmaker	St. Johns, Wapping	FC101/A/3/5/7
20 Aug 1798	John Wells	Bastardy maintenance order; for male child of Sarah Bird, widow, by John Wells of Ipswich, gunsmith	Ipswich	FB101/G2/23

23 Sep 1816	Benjamin Herron	Copy of an examination of Benjamin Herron, a gunmaker, Royal Artillery, residing in Westgate, Co Northumberland Description: Concerning his last legal settlement	??	FC189/G3/48
14 Oct 1843	Henry Robinson	Apprenticeship indenture Description: Walter, son of Thomas Scott, to Henry Robinson, gunmaker and cutler	Ipswich	GA2/C6/1/60

National Archives

14 May 1657	Hermon Garrett	Will of Hermon Garrett, Gunsmith of Wickham Market, Suffolk	Wickham Market	PROB 11/264
29 July 1822	William Sikes	Will of William Sikes, Gunsmith of Melford, Suffolk	Melford	PROB 11/1660

SURREY

Surrey Record Office

18 Dec 1691	Thomas Eversed	Bargain and sale 1) Thomas Eversed of Horsham, Sussex, gunsmith, son of John Eversed the elder, late of Warneham, Sussex, yeoman 2) Edward Eversed of Ewhurst, Surrey, yeoman, brother of Thomas. Moiety of a tenement and 15a called Southlands, and New Tymberpond in Wotton	Horsham, Sussex	222/9/4
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4 Jul 1745	William Green	Bargain and sale 1) Richard Smith of Tongham, Seale, yeoman 2) John Barnes of Farnham, butcher 3) William Green of Farnham, gunmaker, and William Cootes of Farnham, collarmaker. Messuage, garden and orchard in Dunsfold.	Farnham	G66/29
7 Nov 1789	Thomas Cook	Deed leading to the uses of a fine. 1. Edward Fawkes and wife Ann. 2. Abel Jenkins of New Inn, London. Messuages and gardens in St Mary's, Guildford, now occupied by (blank) Cowper; House in Swan Gate late occupied by Thomas Cook, gunsmith, (boundaries given as in 2220/6); The Sign of the Sun [public house]. Copy of note of fine. Abel Jenkins, plaintiff. E and A Fawkes, deforciant. 3 messuages and garden.	Guildford	BR/T/2220/9

National Archives				
24 July 1744	James Collyer	Will of James Collyer, Gunsmith of Holy Trinity, Guildford, Surrey	Guildford	PROB 11/734
22 July 1746	George Reed	Will of George Reed, Gunsmith of Rotherhithe, Surrey	Rotherhithe	PROB 11/748

07 December 1791	John Sheppard	Will of John Sheppard, Gun Maker of Saint Mary Rotherhithe, Surrey	Rotherhithe	PROB 11/1212
24 April 1841	Thomas Goldring	Will of Thomas Goldring, Gunsmith of Kingston upon Thames, Surrey	Kingston upon Thames	PROB 11/1944

SUSSEX

Sussex Record Office

20 Jan 1668	William Weekes	<p>Conveyance for £28 George Shoulder of Cliffe, mason, to William Weekes of Warbleton, gunsmith</p> <p>Tenement and garden occupied by GS, in Cliffe (N: messuage of [blank] Swane, formerly of GS, called The Lyme Howse; E: Cliffe Hill; S: garden belonging to the church of Cliffe; W: road)</p> <p>the deed is also executed by Elizabeth Shoulder W: John James, Edmund Goldham, Edward Whitebread, John Scotson</p>	Warbleton	AMS6433/2
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24 Jun 1709	Thomas Filtnesse	Assignment of lease William Fowler the elder of East Hoathly, carpenter to Thomas Filtnesse of Chiddingly, gunsmith Cottage as in AMS6182/2, together with 20 perches of the 1/2a of land Recites AMS6182/2 and that the cottage and 20 perches has since devolved to WF who now sells the remainder of the 2000 year term to TF	Chiddingly	AMS6182/3
23 Sep 1721	Richard Paign (Payne)	Richard PAIGN otherwise PAYNE of Rye, gunsmith; probate inventory Value of inventory: 19 2s 10d Names of appraisers: Edward Wilson, Morgan Warner Type of act (from Act Book): administration with will attached	Rye	PBT/1/10/1402
1721	Richard Paine	Richard PAINE of Rye, gunsmith; registered will with grant of probate	Rye	PBT 1/1/51/52B
23 Sep 1725	John Jackson	Apprenticeship indenture Jane Jackson of Wadhurst to John Jackson of Cranbrook, Kent, gunsmith	Cranbrook, Kent	PAR498/33/24
1729	Thomas Fitness	Registered will with grant of probate Thomas FITNESS of Chiddingly, gunsmith Date of will: 8 Jun 1809 Value: under £3500	Chiddingly	PBT 1/1/52/637

15 Jan 1803	Thomas Reed	Bond Thomas Reed of Chiddingly, gunsmith in 40 to Richard Phillips, overseer, to acquit the parish of any charges for an illegitimate child to be born to Elizabeth Harmer of Ashburnham, single woman	Chiddingly	PAR233/34/3/16
24 Apr 1804	Abraham Weston	Lease for a year By JAMES MITCHELL of Brighthelmeston, lathe-cleaver, and JOHN ATTREE of the same place, gent., to ABRAHAM WESTON the younger of Lewes, gunsmith, of the piece of land in the Butts next the Cliffe in Brighthelmeston, with the messuage thereon erected described in deed of 5 Oct., 1802 Witnesses:- Thomas Dewly, John Hattrell, John Harper, Stephen Brane	Lewes	SAS-N/15/632
15 Mar 1806	Edward Reed	Warrant to apprehend putative father Edward Reed of Chiddingly, gunsmith; father of child to be born to Lydia Finch	Chiddingly	PAR462/34/1/3
14 Feb 1810	Abraham Weston	Abraham WESTON of Lewes, gunsmith; registered will with grant of probate	Lewes	

13 Jun 1816	Abraham Weston	<p>Probate of the Will of this date of ANN MILLER of Eastbourne, widow Specific bequests of husband's watch to Abraham Weston of Lewes, gunsmith; her bible to Edward Miller her husband's nephew; and her Common Prayer Book to Mrs. Martha Pink of Lewes To Francis Filder of Eastbourne, yeoman, and Francis Harding Gell of Lewes, gent., all her household furniture and personall estate Upon Trust for the use of her sister Deborah Harmes other wise Sawyer for life, and at her death to be divided amongst the then living children of her brother John Ticehurst on their attaining 21. Executors: Francis Hilder and Francis Harding Gell.</p> <p>Witnesses:- Hariet Francisco and Lucy Sutton Proved at Lewes, 4 March, 1845</p>	Lewes	SAS-D/DD/616
21 May 1830	Thomas Lloyd	<p>Thomas LLOYD of Southover, gunsmith registered will with grant of probate Date of will: 2 Jun 1824 Value: under £20</p>	Southover	PBT/1/1/77/116
9 May 1848	Henry Longley	<p>Frederick Edward, 1, son of Henry Longley of Battle, gunsmith; drowning</p>	Battle	SHE/2/7/14

1848-1922	Thomas Austin	Deeds of a cottage at Upper Horsebridge, Hellingly In 1848, William Tanner of Lewes, silversmith sold this property to Thomas Austin of Hellingly, gunsmith: in June 1859 Austin sold it to David Austin of Hellingly, gunsmith (AMS 5681/68/1). In November 1896 the cottage was leased for 14 years to Jane Ann Austin, Emma Rebecca Austin and Nelson Edward Austin, gunsmith, all of Upper Horsebridge (AMS 5681/68/5). A 1922 abstract of title survives, to part of Horselunges Farm in Hellingly, for Jabez Samuel Ford (AMS 5681/68/7).	Hellingly	AMS 5681/68
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National Archives				
02 September 1645	George Payne	Will of George Payne, Gunsmith of Arundel, Sussex	Arundel	PROB 11/194
March 21 1809	Samuel Chatfield	Abstract of Will of Samuel Chatfield, Gunsmith of Horsham, Sussex. Proved in the Court of Chichester.	Horsham	IR 26/316
14 November 1823	John Oakes	Will of John Oakes, Gunmaker of Horsham, Sussex	Horsham	PROB 11/1677
26 June 1856	George Waller	Will of George Waller, Gunmaker of Horsham, Sussex	Horsham	PROB 11/2235

WARWICKSHIRE

31 December 1679	Joseph Palmer	Settlement made upon the intended marriage of Rebecca the daughter of Thomas Smith alias Court of Earlswood, yeoman, to Joseph Palmer of Birmingham, gunsmith. The property affected by this settlement is a moiety of a messuage near Wareings Green and a cottage adjoining called Sponland, all in the parish of Tanworth	Birmingham	CR1700/2
9-10 Jun 1703	Richard Weston	Settlement of house & land at Maney Settlement: lease & release, fine (c) & counterpart release (d). John Veysey of Maney, Sutton Coldfield, yeoman, brother of Thomas Veysey, decd, who was son & heir of Thomas Veysey, yeoman, decd (1); Isaac Welch, whitesmith & Richard Weston, gunsmith, of Birmingham. Conveys messuage in Maney where John Veysey lives; High Croft, Little Croft, other fields; cottage occupied by William Jefferies, to use of his sister, Mary Snell, wife of Thomas Snell of Arley.	Birmingham	D15/13/1a-d
1-2 Jun 1713	Edward Weston	Settlement of house & land at Maney Marriage settlement by lease & release. Mary Snell of Maney (1); Edward Weston of Birmingham, gunsmith (2); Richard Clay of Aston, Birmingham, forgeman (3). Mary is to marry Richard & settles her 1/3 of the Maney property to their use.	Birmingham	D15/13/3a-b

14-15 Jan 1711 [1712]	Edward Weston	Settlement of house & land at Maney Settlement: lease & release & counterpart release (c) with indentures of fine attached to each release. Thomas Snell, late of Arley, now of London, yeoman & Mary his wife; William Hall of Wishaw & Susanna his wife; Mary Snell & Rebecca Snell of Maney, spinsters (Susanna, Mary & Rebecca are daughters of Thomas & Mary); Isaac Welch of Birmingham, whitesmith (1); Benjamin Cash of Birmingham, shoemaker & Edward Weston of Birmingham, gunsmith (2). Recites settlement of 9-10 Jun 1703. Now (2) are trustees for further uses	Birmingham	D15/13/2a-c
13-14 Feb 1722 [1723]	Edward Weston	Settlement of house & land at Maney Marriage settlement by lease & release. Rebecca Snell, late of Maney, now of Wishaw (1); Edward Weston of Birmingham, gunsmith & William Hall of Wishaw, yeoman (2); John Orton of Wishaw, yeoman (3). Rebecca is to marry John & settles her 1/3 of the Maney property to their use	Birmingham	D15/13/4a-b
20 September 1716	Nicholas Peris	Will of Nicholas Peris, the elder, gunsmith, of Warwick With detailed inventory, 16 October 1716 and renunciation of executorship by his widow and son, 11 March 1716/17	Warwick	Z0226/1(L)
10 November 1721	Samuel Paris	Will of Samuel Paris, gunsmith, of Warwick With inventory December 1722	Warwick	Z0226/2(L)

1780	John Dixon	Release by George Weale of Warwick, surgeon, (eldest son and heir of Fulk Weale of Warwick, woollen draper, deceased) and Fulk Weale (at GW's request) to George, Earl of Warwick, following the payment of £400 by Thomas Webb of Lillington, gent., mortgagee of a toft, meese place, garden, summer house and messuage, stable, etc., namely 4. A messuage in the High St heretofore of John Dixon, gunsmith, deceased, and John Carter, which was in June 1765 conveyed by JD to GW and FW, 20th June 1780	Warwick	CR3176/17
1797	Samuel Galton	Deed of dissolution of partnership between Samuel Galton the Elder of Birmingham and Samuel Galton the younger of the same place, Gunmaker See Somerset 1799	Birmingham	CR1198/4

National Archives				
27 August 1657	John Larke	Will of John Larke or Lark, Gunsmith of Coventry, Warwickshire	Coventry	PROB 11/266
26 January 1781	Robert Atterbury	Will of Robert Atterbury, Gunsmith of Warwick, Warwickshire	Warwick	PROB 11/1073
14 July 1853	James Negus	Will of James Negus, Gun Maker of Aston Manor, Warwickshire	Aston Manor	PROB 11/2176
05 December 1818	Thomas Archer	Will of Thomas Archer, Gunmaker of New Cottage, Perry Barr, Warwickshire	Perry Barr	PROB 11/1611

WEST SUSSEX

West Sussex Record Office				
18 Nov. 1687	Thomas Russell	Marriage licence register marriage licences 1692-1721; Thomas Russell of Cliffe, gunsmith. 10 years at Cliffe, born at Withiam. Age 30	Cliffe	Ep/V/1/5
5 Dec 1702	Thomas Ellis	Removal order: Thomas ELLIS Subject: Thomas ELLIS, apprentice gunsmith; Findon Removal orders from Billingshurst	Findon	Par 21/32/2
1710 - 1740	William Lassitter	TITLE DEEDS, SETTLEMENTS, WILLS AND MANORIAL DOCUMENTS - The Wiston Archives Anne Lancaster of Henfield, widow, quitclaimed her interest in the properties (now merged), 29 Sept. 1710, to her son Thomas Lancaster of Steyning, gent. (WISTON/1097), who mortgaged it, 9 Nov. 1714 (with bond), to William Lassitter of Findon, gunsmith, for ?250 (WISTON/1098, 1099)	Findon	WISTON MSS 1097-1110
1 July 1728	Edward Sanden	Release (a) Edward Sanden of Chichester, gunsmith;	Chichester	The Goodwood Estate Archives GOODWOOD Mss E2068
21 Apr 1750	Caleb Hackman	Bastardy order/bond: Ann MOORE Subject: Ann MOORE, single woman; Pulborough, Henfield; Godalming, Surrey. Child: Ann MOORE Other: Caleb Hackman, gunsmith, surety		Par 416/34/1

23 Oct 1750	Joseph Mason	Settlement examination: Benjamin JEVENS Subject: Benjamin JEVENS, soldier; married: Mary JEVENS; Rugely, Staffs; Bilston, Staffs. Other: Alice MARYAM deceased, former wife Other: Joseph MASON of Bilston, gunsmith, master Child: JEVENS infant	Bilston, Staffs	Par 8/32/4/1/206
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WEST YORKSHIRE

West Yorkshire Record Office				
28 Aug 1713	Edward Moor	Mortgage 1. William Powell of Horsforth, clothier 2. Edward Moor of Leeds, gunsmith Property: a close called the Bowling Alley, in Horsforth	Leeds	SpSt/4/11/66/505

22 Sep 1729	William Mawd	<p>Copy indenture</p> <p>1 Michael Gibson of Sleadhall in Hipperholme-cum-Brighthouse, gentleman</p> <p>2 William Mawd of Otley, gunsmith, and Robert Gibson of Gawbert Hall in Hipperholme, yeoman</p> <p>Property: messuage at Bradshaw in Ovenden, in tenure of William Bates</p> <p>Also includes settlement on marriage of said Michael Gibson and Martha Dade of Otley, widow (23 Sep 1729)</p> <p>With two related notes to Samuel Hemingway, attorney</p>	Otley	BRA:6/2/4/1
13 Jul 1848	William Seels	<p>Conveyance of property at Stainforth</p> <p>1. William Marsdin, gentleman of Stainforth in the parish of Hatfield</p> <p>2. Mary, wife of Joseph Rogerson, printer of Camden Cottages, Middlesex, Ann, wife of John Walliss, gentleman of Cleathorpes, Lincolnshire, Jane, wife of William Seels, gunsmith, of the City of Lincoln, Martha, wife of Samuel Brown, upholsterer of Kingston upon Hull and Hannah Gray and Septima Gray, spinsters both of Kingston upon Hull</p> <p>3. William Benson Beckett, gentleman of Thorne</p> <p>Property: All messuage or dwellinghouse situated at the west end of Stainforth with a barn now converted into two dwellinghouses</p>	Lincoln	C299/55/4/3/4

WILTSHIRE

Wiltshire Record Office				
1631	John Wansey	Inventory, will 1631 John Wansey, senior - Gunsmith - Maiden Bradley	Maiden Bradley	P2/W/341
1656	Jn May	Jn May, gunsmith, accused of defamatory speech	Devizes	A1/110/1656E/191
1662	John Wallis	Administration bond, inventory, will 1662 Wallis, John - Gunsmith - Blewbury	Blewbury	P5/1662/108
1669	William Corr	Commission, inventory, will 1669 Corr, William - Gunsmith - Aldbourne	Aldbourn	P3/C/331
1677	Richard Hewes	Administration bond, inventory 1677 Hewes, Richard - Gunsmith - Wootton Bassett	Wootton Bassett	P1/H/443
1683	John Gray	Inventory, will 1683 Gray, John - Gunsmith - Wilton	Wilton	P2/G/470
1683	Henry Eilot	Inventory, will 1683 Eilot or Elliott, Henry - Gunsmith- Calne	Calne	P26/301
1685	Richard Hewes	Administration bond, inventory 1685 Hewes, Richard - Gunsmith - Malmesbury	Malmesbury	P3/H/612
1693	John Minterne	Inventory, will 1693 Minterne, John - Gunsmith - Beaminster	Beaminster	P17/336
1696	John Wallis	Inventory, will 1696 Wallis, John - Gunsmith - Wantage	Wantage	P5/1696/53
1715	Richard Parratt	Will 1715 Parratt, Richard, senior - Gunsmith - Mere	Mere	P5/15Reg/322A
1716	Henry Caslake	Will 1716 Caslake, Henry - Gunsmith - Corsham	Corsham	P29/2Reg/21

1719	John Wansbrough	Will 1719 Wansbrough, John - Gunsmith - Sutton Veny	Sutton Veny	P2/W/888
1724	Elias Stevens	Will 1724 Stevens, Elias - Gunsmith - Hindon	Hindon	P1/7Reg/40B
1727	John Rundell	Will 1727 Rundell, John, senior - Gunsmith - Trowbridge	Trowbridge	P1/7Reg/181
1728	William Newman	Will 1728 Newman, William - Gunsmith - Marlborough	Marlborough	P1/7Reg/187A
1731	John Sellman	Administration bond, inventory 1731 Sellman, John - Gunsmith - Christian Malford	Christian Malford	P3/S/1167
1740	John Lamb	Will 1740 Lamb, John, senior - Gunsmith - Salisbury	Salisbury	P4/1740/13
1749	John Norman	Will, wrapper 1749 Norman, John - Gunsmith - Uffculme	Uffculme	P5/1749/36
1750	John Harding	Will 1750 Harding, John - Gunsmith - Abingdon	Abingdon	P1/10Reg/363
1759	Thomas Morse	Will 1759 Morse, Thomas, senior - Gunsmith - Ramsbury	Ramsbury	P5/1759/21
1765	Parrett	Will 1765 Parrett, Lucy - Gunsmith's wife - Salisbury	Salisbury	P2/P/1036
1773	John Lamb	Will 1773 Lambe, John - Gunsmith - Salisbury	Salisbury	P4/1773/2
1775	Richard Parrett	Will 1775 Parrett, Richard - Gunsmith - Salisbury	Salisbury	P4/1775/5
1783	James Morse	Will 1783 Morse, James - Gunsmith - Ramsbury	Ramsbury	P5/1783/11
1784	Oliver Carter	Commission, will 1784 Carter, Oliver - Gunsmith - Wootton Bassett	Wootton Bassett	P3/C/1079

1787	Lawrence Norman	Will 1787 Norman, Lawrence - Gunsmith - Uffculme	Uffculme	P20/1/270
1794	Thomas Stevens Gastrell	Affidavit, commission, will 1794 Gastrell, Thomas Stevens - Gunsmith - Malmesbury	Malmesbury	P3/G/761
1801-2	T Turner	T Turner, gunsmith - voucher	Marlborough	1124/2/2
1820	James Rhodes	Will, wrapper 1820 Rhodes, James - Gunsmith - Salisbury	Salisbury	P1/1820/50
1835	John Cole	Oath, will 1835 Cole, John - Gunsmith - Devizes	Devizes	P1/1835/119
1838	Richard Noyes	Commission, will, wrapper 1838 Noyes, Richard - Gunsmith - Warminster	Warminster	P2/1838/18
1843	Thomas Turner	Will, wrapper 1843 Turner, Thomas - Gunsmith - Marlborough	Marlborough	P1/1843/14

National Archives				
15 October 1642	William Fox	Will of William Fox, Gunsmith of Salisbury, Wiltshire	Salisbury	PROB 11/190
17 May 1648	John Cooke	Will of John Cooke, Gunsmith of Wilton, Wiltshire	Wilton	PROB 11/204
11 November 1671	John May	Will of John May, Gunsmith of Devizes, Wiltshire	Devizes	PROB 11/337
08 July 1813	John Innes	Will of John Innes, Gun Maker and Engraver of Trowbridge, Wiltshire	Trowbridge	PROB 11/1546
22 February 1843	Thomas Parsons	Will of Thomas Parsons, Gun Maker of Salisbury, Wiltshire	Salisbury	PROB 11/1975

WORCESTERSHIRE**Worcester Record Office**

24 Feb 1723	Richard Munkland	Freemen of Worcester Admissions Joshua [or Josiah] Brace Admitted and sworn a Citizen of this City as the Apprentice of Richard Munkland, Clockmaker and Gunsmith.	Worcester	b496.5 BA9360/A15/Box 1/1 6
1758	Geo Brabbery	Apprentice List John Tune of Oldswinford to Geo. Brabbery of Darlaston to age 24 years Gun locksmith maker	Darlaston	9150/23 395
1769	Adie Simon	Apprentice List Porter William of Worcester St. Nicholas to Adie Simon of Birmingham for 7 years Gun-finisher	Birmingham	3696/19 687
1770	Smith Thomas	Apprentice List Johnson Henry of St. Nicholas, Worcester to Smith Thomas of Worcester St. Martin for 7 years, Gunsmith	Worcester	3696/19 708
1792	Joseph Smith	Apprentice List James Harrison of Droitwich to Smith Joseph of Wednesbury to age 21 Gunlock forger	Wednesbury	839/4 18

1799	Pittaway Benjamin	Apprentice List Bourne James of Droitwich 1799 to Pittaway Benjamin of Wedgbarrow for 6 years Gun barrell maker	Wedgbarrow	5476/15 109
12 Oct 1812	William Smith	Freemen of Worcester Addmissions Smith William, Admitted and sworn a Citizen of this City as the first born son of William Smith, Gunsmith, after he was made free.	Worcester	b496.5 BA9360/A15/Box 2/1 74
13 Jul 1835	Joshua Wood William Wood	Freemen of Worcester Addmissions Wood Joshua, Admitted and sworn a Citizen of this City as the Apprentice of his Father, William Wood, Worcester, Gunsmith.	Worcester	b496.5 BA9360/A15/Box 2/2 127

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26 March 1729	Thomas Foley	Will of Thomas Foley or Fowley, Gunsmith of Bewdley, Worcestershire	Bewdley	PROB 11/628
26 August 1784	Isaac Bissell	Will of Isaac Bissell, Gunsmith of Halesowen, Worcestershire	Halesowen	PROB 11/1120
19 November 1804	John Southall	Will of John Southall, Gun Maker of Bromsgrove, Worcestershire	Bromsgrove	PROB 11/1417

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1656	Thomas Hawkins	MEMORANDA OF RECOGNIZANCES; Thomas Hawkins , gunsmith of Caernarvon Caernarfonshire Quarter Sessions, records. Sessions, 1657. EASTER SESSIONS. Taken by Gruffith Jones and Edmund Glynne 1. Of William Latham, gent., and Thomas Hawkins, gunsmith, both of pa. Caernarvon, for the appearance at the next sessions of Elizabeth, wife of William	Caernarvon	Gwynedd Archives, Caernarfon Record Office - XQS/1657/6
22 Sept.1663	Symon Williams	Grant of parcels of land called Perth y Gardde and Kay rhwng y ddwy ffordd in Spethid, p. Llandyrnog; 1. Thomas ap Symond William of Spethid, co. Denb., gent., Symon Williams of Spethid, gunsmith and Thomas Roberts of Llandyrnog, gent. 2. Humphrey Wynn of Poole Parke, gent. Grant of parcels of land called Perth y Gardde and Kay rhwng y ddwy ffordd in Spethid, p. Llandyrnog	Spethid	National Library of Wales - Gunsmith Records - Ref: LIGC/NLW
1664	Richard Sexton	Will of Richard Sexton , Gunsmith of Llandisilio, Carmarthenshire Prerogative Court of Canterbury and related Probate Jurisdictions: Will Registers - Will of Richard Sexton, Gunsmith of Llandisilio, Carmarthenshire.	Llandisilio	The National Archives - Prerogative Court of Canterbury PROB 11/315/178 - Wills and probate Merchant seaman

1666	Roger Hughes	Diocese of St Asaph. Roger Hughes , Gunsmith - Will made in 1655. Diocese: St Asaph Parish: Wrexham County: Denbighshire	Wrexham	National Library of Wales - Welsh Probate Records SA/1666/147
24 Apr 1673	John Tomley	John Tomley, Gunsmith of Oswestry, Bond in £20. Oswestry Borough Records. Poor and Charities. Indemnity Bonds. (1) William Thomas late of Braniarth, co. Montgomery, scrivener, and John Tomley of Oswestry, gunsmith. (2) Richard Jones and John Glover, esq., Bailiffs of Oswestry. William Thomas indemnifies (2).	Oswestry	Oswestry Town Council OB/A61/3
1 May 1673	David Jones	Lease for 99 years of two messuages in the fee of the manor of Mounckstowne in the suburbs of the ..., 1. Jane Stubbs of the town of Bergevenny, co. Monmouth, widow;. 2. David Jones of the same, gunsmith. Lease for 99 years of two messuages in the fee of the manor of Mounckstowne in the suburbs of the town of Bergevenny.	Bergevenny	National Library of Wales - Gunsmith Records - Ref: LIGC/NLW
1674	William Cox	St. Asaph Probate Records, 1521-1858 William Cox , Gunsmith of Gungrog Fawr, Welshpool, Montgomery	Welshpool	National Library of Wales - Gunsmith Records - Ref:(W1AbNL) 3650003

14 Oct 1675	Thomas Piers	<p>Grant from Roger Jones of Coedonn, co. Flint, gent., to Humfrey Jones, eldest son and heir apparent of the said Roger Jones by Elizabeth, his late wife (dau. of Robert Vaughan of Ludlow, [Shropshire], gent., dec.), of his estate for life in a burgage in Flint in the tenure of Mary Parry, widow, and other m's in Flint in the tenures of Thomas Piers, gunsmith, Edward Lewis, Thomas Millington the younger, tailor, Thomas Spicer, Thomas Venables, John Morris, Thomas Piers, Thomas Jones, and John Piers, also in several m's in Flint and Bolls, co. Flint, in the tenures of Thomas Piers, yeoman, and Jenet, his wife, and in all other lands which, by an indenture dated 4 Dec. 1646 and made between the said Roger Jones of the first part, Symon Vaughan of Ludlow, Shropshire, gent., of the second part, David Jones of Oakenhoul, co. Flint, gent., John Jones of Llanverres, co. Denb., gent., and Cadwallader Wynne of Garthmeilio, co. Denb., gent., of the third part, were granted (subject to a life estate for the said Roger Jones) to the said Humphrey Jones of Coedonn, gent., and his he</p>	Flint	National Library of Wales - Gunsmith Records - Ref: LIGC/NLW
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06 July 1676	Joanas Mountford	Lease and Counterpart 1. Richard More of Linley, Esq. 2. Joanas Mountford of Seaven Wales, gunsmith. Papers of Richard More. Leases. More Parish. More - Hagars Land or Cayhager. Lease and Counterpart 1. Richard More of Linley, Esq. 2. Joanas Mountford of Seaven Wales (Seven Wells), Bishop's Castle, gunsmith - Consideration: £12 House or cottage (Thomas Roberts) and land	Seaven Wales	Shropshire Archives 4134/2/29-30
27 Mar 1687	Rees (Richard) Williams	Bond in £240 for observance of covenants in an indenture of equal date between 1 of the first part, 2 ..., 1687, March 27. 1. Margaret Williams of Brynbwa, co. Mont., widow, and Rees (Richard) Williams of Brynbwa, gunsmith. 2. Lewis Jones of Melyniogvechan, co. Mont., gent., and David Lloyd of Llangyniw, co. Mont., gent. Bond in £240 for observance of covenants in an indenture of equal date between 1 of the first part, 2 of the second, and John Williams [son of Margaret] of the third.		National Library of Wales - Gunsmith Records - Ref: LIGC/NLW
1694	Morgan Wroth	Diocese of Llandaf; Bond & Inventory of Morgan Wroth , gunsmith; Diocese: Llandaf Parish: Abergavenny County: Monmouthshire	Abergavenny	National Library of Wales - Welsh Probate Records LL/1694/10
1696	David Jones	Llandaff Probate Records, 1568-1857 - Will of David Jones , gunsmith of Abergavenny, Monmouth	Abergavenny	National Library of Wales - Gunsmith Records - Ref:(WIAbNL) 3650005

1696	David Richard John	Llandaff Probate Records, 1568-1857 (WIAbNL)3650005 1696 - David Richard John , Gunsmith of Abergavenny, Monmouth	Abergavenny	National Library of Wales - Gunsmith Records - Ref:(WIAbNL) 3650005
10 Jun 1697	David Jones	Assignment of the lease contained in No. 561, 1697, June 10. 1. Eliza[b]eth Jones of the town of Abergavenny, co. Monmouth, widow, executrix of David Jones late of the same, gunsmith, deceased; 2. Robert Gunter of the Priory in the said town, esq. Assignment of the lease contained in No. 561.	Abergavenny	National Library of Wales - Gunsmith Records - Ref: LIGC/NLW
9 Dec1701	Thomas Cox	Lease for ninety-nine years or for the lives of the said Francis Jones, Cecill, his wife, and Leykey Cox, wife ..., 9 Dec. 1701 1. John Morgan of Tredegar, co. Mon., esq. 2. Francis Jones of the town of Cardiff, mercer. Lease for ninety-nine years or for the lives of the said Francis Jones, Cecill, his wife, and Leykey Cox, wife of Thomas Cox of Cardiff, gunsmith, in consideration of fourteen pounds and the surrender of a former lease, of several parcels of land in one close in p. St Johns in Cardiff called Kae Pen y Wall, excepting timber trees and mineral ores. Rent: three pounds annually, a pair of capons, the work of one man at harvest-time or two shillings in lieu thereof, suit of mill to Roath Mill, and a heriot of five shillings.	Cardiff	National Library of Wales - Gunsmith Records - Ref: LIGC/NLW

11 Dec 1701	Phillip Lawrence	<p>Lease - 11 Dec.1701</p> <p>1. John Morgan of Tredegar, co. Mon., esq.</p> <p>2. Phillip Lawrence of Newport, co. Mon., gunsmith.</p> <p>Lease for ninety-nine years, determinable on the lives of the lessee, Ann, his wife, and Elizabeth, their daughter, of a m. containing a dwelling-house, smith's forge, brewhouse, stable, and two gardens called the Black Griffin, as defined, in Newport; also three a. of land in p. St Woollos, as defined. Rent: £6.16s., two fat capons, and one man's work for one day at harvest-time annually, suit of mill, and 5s. as a heriot when due. Counterpart.</p>	Newport	National Library of Wales - Gunsmith Records - Ref: LIGC/NLW
1716	Richard Willoughby	Diocese of St Asaph. Will of Richard Willoughby : Oswestry County: Salop	Oswestry	National Library of Wales: Department of Collection Services; Welsh Probate Records - SA/1716/140

9 Sep 1726	William Wicksteed	Lease Description: (i) Thomas Jones of Wrexham, co. Denbigh, gent. (ii) Thomas Beech of Wrexham gent. (ii) agrees to build vault under messuage to be built by (i) in the Abbot Street, Wrexham where messuage previously stood in holding of William Wicksteed, gunsmith. Consideration: lease of vault to (ii) for 21 years at 10s. yearly	Wrexham	Denbighshire Archive Service DD/CP/542
1728	John Price	Diocese of St Davids. Will of John Price , gunsmith - Haverfordwest (St Thomas) Township: Haverfordwest County: Pembrokeshire	Haverfordwest	National Library of Wales: Department of Collection Services;
1732	William Thomas	St. David's Probate Records, 1556-1858 - William Thomas , gunsmith, Priory Street, Carmarthen, Carmarthen,	Carmarthen	National Library of Wales - Gunsmith Records -
1753	Samuel Williams	Welsh Probate Records, Diocese of Llandaff Will & Bond of Samuel Williams , Gunsmith - Llandaff Parish, Aberfan County, Glamorgan	Llandaff	National Library of Wales: Department of Collection Services; Welsh Probate Records - LL/1753/1
1755	Thomas Griffiths	Married Montgomeryshire - see other entries - Died 1789	Pool	BDM Parish records

11 May 1770	Thomas Griffiths	<p>Assignment of mortgage</p> <p>1. Elizabeth Caruther of Mardu, p. Llandrinio, co. Mont, widow and Administratrix of Williams Caruther, her late husband, deceased</p> <p>2. Elizabeth Jones of Pool, co. Mont, widow and Executrix of Edward Jones, late of Pool, watchmaker, her late husband, deceased; Thomas Griffiths of Pool, gunsmith, son in law of said Elizabeth Jones, and Elizabeth his wife, eldest daughter of Edward Jones; and Mary Jones, p. St James, Bristol, spinster, and Joyce Jones of Pool, spinster, also daughters of Edward Jones</p> <p>3. John Crosse of Pool, baker</p> <p>for £60 of messuages with appurtenances in High Street in the town of Pool adjoining with a messuage in the possession of Arthur Ryder, butcher, since deceased, and then of Esther Ryder, his widow, and a messuage in the possession of Henry Parry, tanner, called Lower Sun and since in the possession of Matthew Williams, sadler, and Joseph Morris, innholder</p>	Pool	Powys Archives M/X/242/2
1771	Thomas Rees	<p>Diocese of St Davids.</p> <p>Will of Thomas Rees, gunsmith - Carmarthen County: Carmarthenshire</p>	Carmarthen	National Library of Wales: Department of Collection Services;

26 July 1773	John Evans	<p>Lease (i) Swansea Corporation; (ii) John Evans of Swansea, gunsmith. Counterpart lease for 99 years from (i) to (ii) of a piece of waste ground at the lower end of Wassail Street in the Borough of Swansea, behind the turnpike house, measuring 27 ft by 22 ft, with liberty to enclose and build a dwelling house and workshop</p>	Swansea	West Glamorgan Archives - EA 1/156
30 Sep 1778	Thomas Griffiths	<p>Assignment of mortgage 1. Thomas Griffiths of Pool, co. Mont, gunsmith 2. Joyce Jones of Pool, spinster; Evan Davies and Anne his wife, of the same place; Edward Wittingham of Forden, co. Mont, parish clerk, and Dorothy his wife; Mary Jones, late of p. St James, Bristol, spinster [Joyce Jones, Anne, Dorothy and Mary Jones were all daughters of Edward Jones, late of Pool, watchmaker, deceased] 3. John Crosse of Pool, confectioner 4. John Williames of Pool, gent for £108 14s 3d of messuages with appurtenances in the High Street of the town of Pool, adjoining with a messuage in the possession of Arthur Ryder, butcher, since deceased, and then of Esther Ryder, his widow, and a messuage in the possession of Henry Parry, tanner, called Lower Sun and since in the possession of Matthew Williams, sadler, and Joseph Morris, innholder Endorsement: Receipt for £108 14s 3d</p>	Pool	Powys Archives M/X/242/4

16 April 1779	Thomas Bullman	MEMORANDUM OF RECOGNIZANCE; Thomas Bullman , gunsmith Caernarfonshire Quarter Sessions records, 1779. EASTER. Of Michael Joyce of Carnarvon, yeoman, in the sum of £5 to appear at the next Quarter Sessions and meanwhile to keep the peace especially towards Thomas Bullman of Carnarvon, gunsmith.	Carnarvon	Gwynedd Archives, Caernarfon Record Office - XQS/1779/47
16 April 1779	Thomas Bullman	MEMORANDUM OF RECOGNIZANCE; Thomas Bullman , gunsmith Caernarfonshire Quarter Sessions, records. Sessions, 1779. EASTER. Of Thomas Bullman of Carnarvon, gunsmith, in the sum of £10 to appear at the next Quarter Sessions and meanwhile to keep the peace especially towards Humphrey Edward of Carnarvon, surgeon. Sureties	Carnarvon	Gwynedd Archives, Caernarfon Record Office - XQS/1779/49
16 July 1779	Thomas Bullman	MEMORANDUM OF RECOGNIZANCE; Caernarfonshire Quarter Sessions, records. Sessions, 1779. TRINITY. Of Thomas Bullman of Carnarvon, gunsmith, in the sum of £5 to appear at the next Quarter Sessions and in the meantime to keep the peace especially towards Herbert Jones of Llynon in co. Anglesey, esq	Carnarvon	Gwynedd Archives, Caernarfon Record Office - XQS/1779/75

14 Sep 1780	Jeremiah Farmer	Bastardy bond in £100 for Mary James, p Battle, pregnant by Theophilus Jones [presumably the historian of Brecknockshire?] 1. Theophilus Jones, town of Brecon, gent, attorney at law, and Jeremiah Farmer , of same, gunsmith 2. Walter Parry, Henry Parry, Thomas Parry and David Jones, churchwardens and overseers.	Brecon	Powys Archives B/X/15/16
1783 June	Thomas Teston	Defamation. Libel - June 1783 Parties: Ann, wife of William Seabrook of Holyhead, co. Angl., gent., against Thomas Teston of the same, gunsmith.	Holyhead	National Library of Wales - Gunsmith Records - Ref: LIGC/NLW
1789	Thomas Griffiths	Gunsmith - Burial	Pool	BDM Parish records

28/29 Sept 1809	Thomas Farmer	<p>Lease and Release</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Robert Williams of town of Brecon, esq. 2. William North of county of borough of Carmarthen, gent. 3. George North of Brecon, gent. 4. William Mainwaring of same, banker. 5. Martha Griffiths of same, spinster. <p>Of m. etc. with the coach house or show shop and works shop (James Sims, coachmaker) and the double necessary house and part of 2 gardens now marked out with stakes (the partition between said premises and the m. etc. sold by George North to Thomas Farmer, gunsmith, to be considered a joint partition and also a partition between said coachhouse and m. etc. sold to James Sims) - all at the upper end of the Watton.</p> <p>Consideration: £200 and interest paid to 1.; £585 to 3. from 5.</p> <p>Other terms.</p>	Cardiff	Powys Archives B/D/JPO/17/228
30 Dec 1811	Thomas Farmer	<p>Marriage bonds, ca. 1690-1837 (WIAbNL) 004420301</p> <p>Title: Thomas Farmer, gunmaker, Brecon, Breconshire to Probert, Anne, sp., Llanspyddid, Breconshire : Marriage at Pool</p>	Brecon	National Library of Wales - Gunsmith Records - Ref: LIGC/NLW

24 Mar 1812	Thomas Griffiths	<p>Lease to vest possession</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. John Williames of Pool, co. mont, Esq., and Thomas Morris, late of Pool, now of Knaresborough, co. York, labourer, and Mary his wife, one of the daughters of Elizabeth Griffiths, wife of Thomas Griffiths, late of Pool, gunsmith, deceased, and the daughter of Edward Jones, late of Pool, watchmaker, both deceased, and Devisee in Fee of moiety of hereditaments and premises described2. William Dax of Pool, architect <p>of 2 messuages with appurtenances in High Street in the town of Pool</p>	Pool	Powys Archives M/X/242/6
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8 July 1813	Thomas Griffiths	<p>Feoffment</p> <p>1. Margaret Davies of the town of Pool, co. Mont, spinster, daughter and heir of Elizabeth Davies (née Griffiths), late wife of David Davies of Pool, shoemaker, and one of the daughters of Elizabeth Griffiths, wife of Thomas Griffiths, late of Pool, gunsmith, deceased, and the daughter of Edward Jones, late of Pool, watchmaker, deceased, and Devisee in Fee of moiety of hereditaments and premises described</p> <p>2. William Dax of Pool, architect</p> <p>3. Richard Dax of Llanerchidol, co. Mont, house carpenter and Trustee of (2) of 2 messuages with appurtenances in High Street in the town of Pool</p> <p>Consideration: £32 10s 0d</p> <p>Endorsements: Receipt for £32 10s 0d</p>	Pool	Powys Archives M/X/242/9
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17 Nov 1814	Thomas Griffiths	<p>Feoffment</p> <p>1. Martha Davies of the town of Pool, co. Mont, spinster, daughter and heir of Elizabeth Davies (né Griffiths), late wife of David Davies of Pool, shoemaker, and one of the daughters of Elizabeth Griffiths, wife of Thomas Griffiths, late of Pool, gunsmith, deceased, and the daughter of Edward Jones, late of Pool, watchmaker, deceased, and Devisee in Fee of moiety of hereditaments and premises described</p> <p>2. William Dax of Pool, architect</p> <p>3. Richard Dax of Llanerchydol, co. Mont, house carpenter and Trustee of (2)</p> <p>of 2 messuages with appurtenances in High Street, in the town of Pool</p> <p>Consideration: £32 10s 0d</p> <p>Endorsed: Receipt for £32 10s 0d</p>	Pool	Powys Archives M/X/242/10
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23/24 Dec 1823	Thomas Farmer	<p>Appointment and Release (Lease and Release)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. James Sims of town of Brecon, coachmaker 2. Samuel Church of same, gent. 3. William Powell of same, coal merchant 4. William Watkins of same, road surveyor. <p>Of m., tmt. or dwelling house (late of Llewelin Williams, whitesmith, and used as a smith's shop, now of 1.) and part of a coach-house (late of Major Price, now marked out to be walled off, adjoining smith's shop) and part of a malt house (late of William Llewelin, cooper, now marked out etc., adjoining to premises in occupations of William Price, flour merchant, and Thomas Farmer, gunmaker, and tenants) with a way or passage now marked out leading from the Watton St into Heolrhydd.</p> <p>Declaration of uses and trust.</p> <p>Consideration: £198 13s. 9d. to 1. from 3.</p> <p>Schedule of deeds (1800-1823)</p>	Cardiff	Powys Archives B/D/JPO/17/54
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<p>10/11 Aug 1833</p>	<p>John Morris</p>	<p>Conveyance (Lease and Release) in Trust 1. Richard Edwards, Newtown, co. Mont., brazier; Elizabeth, his wife; Samuel Rider, Welchpool, clockmaker; Sarah Rider, Worthen, co. Salop, spinster 2. Richard Rider, Welchpool, innkeeper 3. Thomas Bowen, Hendrehen, co. Mont., esq. Of 3/4ths of m. or dwellinghouse with the shop and premises in high street, Town of Pool (Thomas Williams, shoemaker); m. etc. with shop in high street (John Morris, gunsmith); ms. etc. in the Rookery Passage, Pool (Thomas Walker, Samuel Maunde, Richard Collier, John Archer, William Lewis, Jane Rider, Edward Griffiths, Richard Jones, Edward Theodore) Declaration of trusts Recital of will of William Rider of Welchpool, clock and watchmaker, 1 August 1829 and codicil - August 1829. Died 8 September 1829 Witnesses : Thomas Harley Kough; W. Yearsley, clerk to Messrs. Griffiths and Jones, solicitors, Welsh Pool</p>	<p>Pool</p>	<p>Powys Archives MX/49/8</p>
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30 July 1839	William Brookes	Conveyance by lease and release (release missing) dated 30 July 1839: Thomas Daniel Doddrell of Bristol, grocer, Ann Taylor Perrott of the same place, widow, Thomas Doddrell Perrott of the same place, coachmaker, David Perrott of Swansea, grocer, Henry Haythorn Owen Perrott of Bristol, draper, Daniel Taylor Perrott of the same place, grocer, James Perrott of the same place, watchmaker and Sarah Ann Perrott of the same place, spinster, to David Jenkins of Swansea, victualler: Messuage or dwelling house, garden, stable, coach house and premises in High Street, Swansea, currently in the occupation of William Brookes , gunmaker	Swansea	West Glamorgan Archives -D/D Z 325/39
1848	William Brookes	St. David's Probate Records, 1556-1858 - William Brookes , Gunsmith, Castle Street, Swansea, Glamorgan	Swansea	National Library of Wales - Gunsmith Records -
1849	Edward Savage	Bangor Probate Records, 1576-1858 - Edward Savage , Gunsmith of Pen rhos, Llangurig, Montgomery	Pen rhos	National Library of Wales - Gunsmith Records -

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Feoffment, (or **Enfeoffment**) in English law was a transfer of land or property that gave the new holder the right to sell it as well as the right to pass it on to his heirs as an inheritance

Defamation—also called **calumny, vilification, traducement, slander** (for transitory statements), and **libel** (for written, broadcast, or otherwise published words)— government, religion, or nation a negative or is the communication of a statement that makes a claim, expressly stated or implied to be factual, that may give an individual, business, product, group, or inferior image. This can be also any disparaging statement made by one person about another, which is communicated or published, whether true or false, depending on legal state. In common law it is usually a requirement that this claim be false and that the publication is communicated to someone other than the person defamed (the claimant).

Covenant (law), a promise to engage in or refrain from a specified action (including restrictive covenant, a restriction on the use of property)

A **Quitclaim** deed is a legal instrument by which the owner of a piece of real property, called the grantor, transfers any interest to a recipient, called the grantee. The owner/grantor terminates (“quits”) any right and claim to the property, thereby allowing claim to transfer to the recipient/grantee.

Deposition is the out-of-court oral testimony of a witness that is reduced to writing for later use in court

Recusant - an English Roman Catholic of the time from about 1570 to 1791 who refused to attend services of the Church of England and thereby committed a statutory offense

An **Assignment** (Latin *cessio*) is a term used with similar meanings in the law of contracts and in the law of real estate. In both instances, it encompasses the transfer of rights held by one party—the assignor—to another party—the assignee.[1] The details of the assignment determines some additional rights and liabilities (or duties).

In law, a **messuage** is an archaic term used in conveyancing, and is nearly synonymous with dwelling house.

Demise, in its original meaning, is an Anglo-Norman legal term (from French *démètre*, from Latin *dimittere*, to send away) for a transfer of an estate, especially by lease.

Sacaement Certificate - Among the provisions of the Test Act 1673, which excluded from civil or military employment all except members of the Church of England, was the requirement that a certificate, signed by a minister, churchwarden, and two witnesses, should be presented to quarter sessions by the holder of a civil or public office to acknowledge that he had received communion in the Church of England.

The **Alienation Office** (1576 - 1835) was a British Government body charged with regulating the '**alienation**' or transfer of certain feudal lands by use of a licence to alienate granted by the king, during the feudal era, and by the government thereafter.

Removal Order The Poor Relief Act 1662 is known as the Settlement Act or, more honestly, the Settlement and Removal Act. The purpose of the Act was to establish the parish to which a person belonged (i.e. his/her place of "settlement") and hence clarify which parish was responsible for him should he become in need of Poor Relief (or "chargeable" to the parish poor rates). This was the first occasion when a document proving domicile became statutory: these were called "settlement certificates".
After 1662, if a man left his settled parish to move elsewhere, he had to take his Settlement Certificate, which guaranteed that his home parish would pay for his "removal" costs (from the host parish) back to his home if he needed poor relief. As parishes were often unwilling to issue such certificates people often stayed where they were – knowing that in an emergency they would be entitled to their parish's poor rate.

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