Administration of Gilbert Fox (d. 1781).

Know all Men by these Presents that we Mary Fox of Burnscale Widow, Isaac Parker of Showring, and William Edmundson of Outhwaite Yeomen, all in Roborondale in the Parish of Melling, and County of Lancaster, are holden and firmly bound unto the Right Reverend Father in God, Beilby by Divine Permission, Lord Bishop of CHESTER, in the Sum of one hundred Pounds of good and lawful money of Great Britain to be paid unto the the said Right Reverend Father his lawful Attorney Executors, Administrators, or Assigns; To which Payment well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves and each of us severally for and in the whole, our Heirs, Executors, and Administrators, and the Heirs, Executors, and Administrators of each of us, firmly by these Presents, sealed with our Seals, and dated the thirteenth Day of January in the twenty first Year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord GEORGE the Third, by the grace of God, of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith, and so forth, and in the Year of Our Lord God One Thousand, Seven Hundred and eighty one.

THE CONDITION of this Obligation is such, that if the above bounden Mary Fox Widow and Administratrix of all and singular the Goods, Chattels, and Credits of Gilbert Fox

Burnscale aforesaid in the Archdeaconry of Richmond Yeoman

or cause to be made a true and perfect Inventory of all and singular the Goods, Chattels and Credits of the said Deceased, which have or shall come to the Hands and Possession of Knowledge of her the said Administratrix or into the Hands and Possession of any other Person or Persons for her and the same so made do exhibit or cause to be exhibited into the Registry of the Consistory Court of Richmond at or before the last Day of April next ensuing. And the same Goods, Chattels, and Credits, and all other the Goods, Chattels, and Credits of the said Deceased at the Time of his Death, which at any time after shall come to the Hands, or Possession of the said Administratrix or into the Hands or Possession of any other Person or Persons for her do well and truly administer according to the Law; and Further, do make or cause to be made, a true and just Account of her said Administration at or before the thirteenth Day of January which shall be in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and eighty two, And all the rest and Residue of the said Goods, Chattels, and Credits which shall be found remaining upon the said Administratrix Account, the same being first Examined and allowed by the Judge or Judges, for the Time being, of the said Court, shall deliver and pay unto such Person or Persons respectively, as the said Judge or Judges, by his or their Decree (pursuant to the true Intent and Meaning of an Act of Parliament made in the two and twentieth and three and twentieth Years of the Reign of his late Majesty King CHARLES the Second, Entitled, An Act for the better settling Intestates' Estates) shall limit and appoint. And if it shall herein after, appear, that any Last Will and Testament was made by the said Deceased, and the Executor or Executors therein named do exhibit

the same into the said Court, making Request to have it allowed and approved accordingly, if the said Administratrix's above bounden being thereunto required, do render and deliver the said Letters of Administration, (Approbation of such Testament being first had and made in the said Court) Then this Obligation to be void and of none Effect, or else to remain in full force and Virtue.

Sealed and Delivered in the Presence of Chas. Lambert Notary Publick Franc. Lee.

the mark of Mary x Fox

Isaac Parker Wm. Edmondson

13th. January 1781.

The within bounden Mary Fox appeared personally, and was Sworn well and truly to administer the Goods and personal state of the within named Gilbert Fox deceased, and so forth, before me Franc. Lee, surrgte.

Sworn, under 100 li.

Reference: Administration Grant (1781) of Gilbert Fox, of Burnscale, in the parish of Melling, yeoman:
Archdeaconry of Richmond, Diocese of Chester (W.R.W. L. 1781 Administration of Gilbert Fox),
Lancashire County Record Office, Bow Lane,
Preston, Lancashire.