



Know that I have granted and confirmed by this my present charter to the knights and free-tenants of Cleveland and their men that none of them shall be summoned or impleaded in the Wapentake of Langbargh except by consideration of the Wapentake or through a reasonable 'sacrabar', nor shall they be troubled by pretence of a plea; and if any of them incurs a forfeiture it shall be assessed according to his chattels and according to the offence for which he incurred it. I also grant to them that my sergeants in the Wapentake shall swear to observe and maintain these liberties faithfully according to the tenor of my charter; and if any of them is condemned for this, he shall be removed by me or my heirs and be replaced by another. I also concede to them that the chief sergeant of the Wapentake shall have no more than three horses and three mounted sergeants under him, namely two in Cleveland and one in Whitbystrand. And in return for these liberties the same knights and free-tenants have conceded that if the sergeant of the Wapentake of Langbargh can show by a reasonable account that he cannot make up the farm of the lord king, namely 40 m., and his reasonable expenses from the issues of the Wapentake, then the same knights and free-tenants will pay the residue of the due farm of 40 m., allowing for the reasonable expenses of the chief sergeant as testified by me and my stewards. I concede all the aforesaid liberties to the knights and free-tenants of Cleveland and their heirs to be held of me and my heirs in perpetuity. Witness Roger, constable of Chester, Robert de Ros, Eustace de Vescy, Robert Walensis, then sheriff of Yorkshire, Walter de Fauconberg, Ruald, constable of Richmond, Brian fitz Alan, John of Birkin, William fitz Ralph, Walter of Boynton and many others.