Transcript

Editorial comments:

BL MS Lansdowne 55 f. 205r - v. William Herle to Lord Burghley. The endorsement on the address leaf is concealed by a fold of paper protecting the seal.

Address leaf:

[fol. 205v]

[Superscription:] To the R. honorable mi verey good Lord, the L highe Thresuror of England &c. gyve these att the Cowrtt.

Letter text:

[fol. 205r] He R. h. Lord that fooles him sellf pressed as I do, with greeff & detts, which growe only by former expences, sustayned in her majesties service, canott butt complayne & seeke releeff, where the same hath ^well^ deserved, being no presydent nor reson, that pryvate persons & servants of so mene hability sholld bere the charges of the publyck, I presume./ ytt may plese your good L. therfore to be humbly remembred of mi state & neede, which att her majesties retorne from Howndslo, yow signeffyed by mi servant (this day fortnight) that ye wolld have a favorable speedy care therof, & truly I am dryven by a last necessity to be ymportunate on that behallf, beseching that there may be a graciows consyderacion used, accordyng to Honor & conscyens, for I am hable to holld owtt no longer, & that with the rest I must humbly comand unto you, whom God blesse & prosper. Temple Barre the ijd of february.<u>1587</u>. your L. most humbly Bownden. W. Herllli.