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SUMMARY: The document below is a letter dated 17 September 1576 from Richard Farrant (d. 30 November 1580) to Sir William More (1520-1600) of Loseley requesting that More grant him a lease of premises in the Blackfriars in addition to those mentioned in Farrant's earlier letter dated 27 August 1576, for which see Folger MS L.b.446.

For the indenture dated 20 December 1576 by which More subsequently leased 'six upper chambers' in the Blackfriars to Farrant for 21 years at an annual rent of £14, see Folger MS L.b.350, and Wallace, Charles William, *The Evolution of the English Drama up to Shakespeare*, (Berlin: Georg Reimer, 1912), pp. 132-6.

The modern-spelling transcript below was made from the original-spelling transcript in Wallace, *supra*, p. 132.

For the letter, see also:

<http://discovery.nationalarchives.gov.uk/details/rd/37587118-c17f-422b-95cf-f4b400d01f09>.

Right Worshipful, mine humble duty done, these may be to yield you hearty thanks for your great courtesies received. I am now likewise to trouble your Worship further with another suit, which is, there is a little dark room that your man Bradshaw hath the use of & standeth him in little stead but would do me great pleasure. The room is not past one yard & half broad & two yards at the most in length. I beseech your Worship to grant my needful request herein, & I hope you shall find me such a tenant as your Worship shall not think it any manner of ways ill bestowed upon me if it be your Worship's pleasure I shall have it. I beseech you to signify the same unto your servant Bradshaw by my man, the bearer hereof. Thus with mine humble commendations unto your Worship & my good Lady, I cease farther to trouble you. From London this 17 of September.

Your Worship's at commandment,

Richard Farrant

Addressed: To the right worshipful Sir William More, knight, deliver these.