Historically, the Lord-Lieutenant was responsible for organising the militia but it is today a largely ceremonial position. Lieutenants were first appointed to a number of English counties by King Henry VIII in the 1540s and he raised and was responsible for the efficiency of the local militia units of the county, and afterwards of the yeomanry, and volunteers. He was commander of forces, whose officers he appointed.

7. Westmorland – Westmorland is an area of North West England and one of the 39 historic counties of England. The historic county boundaries are with Cumberland to the north, County Durham and Yorkshire to the east, Windermere forms part of the western border with Lancashire north of the sands, and Ullswater part of the border with Cumberland.