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OIL ON CANVAS PORTRAIT OF JOHN NEALE OF ALLESLEY PARK c.1730 - CIRCLE OF WILLIAM HOGARTH.

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1077112****Date of manufacture: 18th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 145 cm (57.1")

Width = 119 cm (46.9")

Depth = 3 cm (1.2")

Description

This elegant portrait captures the likeness of John Neale (1687-1746) of Allesley Park, Warwickshire, and Cherington Park, Gloucestershire. Descending from a family who had supported Cromwell and the Parliamentary cause during the English Civil Wars, both grandfather, father and son served as MPs for various constituencies in the Midlands during the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries. Allesley Park, located on the outskirts of Coventry, had been the Neale's family seat since the 1692 when bought by John's father Henry in a bid to expand the family's political control of this prosperous area of the West Midlands. Our subject's education began at Pembroke College Oxford and afterwards he was admitted at Middle Temple in 1705. John Neale eventually went on to serve as Coventry's MP at various points between the years 1722 and 1741. Despite his political connections to this city, Neale eventually bought the ancient Manor of Cherington in Gloucestershire in 1727. Three years after the purchasing of this manor he married Princess Caroline's dresser Frances Pope in 1730, the daughter of a Shropshire landowner with whom he had three daughters. It was probably Frances's conn...

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