

SA549573

Portrait of William Clayton, 1st Baron Sundon of Ardagh; Studio of Kneller.

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA549573****Date of manufacture: 18th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 94 cm (37.0")

Width = 82 cm (32.3")

Depth = 5 cm (2.0")

Description

Oil on canvas in a period carved and giltwood frame. This charming portrait, so typical of its period, bears the conjoined arms of the Clayton and Dive families; also the inscription "Wm. Clayton, Baron Sundon of Ardagh. G Kneller Pinxt". This is a bust length studio version of the original three quarter length which descended through the family and was sold at Christies in 2009. It was common practice for a sitter to commission a large portrait from a fashionable artist and a smaller copy to be made by his Studio. (Image 8 shows the large portrait). WILLIAM CLAYTON, first Baron Sundon of Ardagh (1671-1752) entered the Exchequer as Clerk of Receipts in 1688 and was Deputy Auditor of Receipts by 1714. Between 1715-1718 he was paymaster of the Kings private pension. In 1718 he was made Lord of the Treasury in Woodstock, the constituency for which he served as MP from 1716-1722. He was also a member of Parliament for St. Albans from 1722-1727, Westminster from 1727-1741, Plympton Erle from 1742-1747 and St Mawes from 1747-1751. Clayton was elevated to the Peerage of Ireland in June 1735 as Baron Sundon of Ardagh in the County of Longford. His wife Charlotte, daughter of J...

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