

SA602391

Portrait of a Lady of the Graves family c.1695; Attributed to Thomas Murray (1663-1734)

Price

Sold

Item Reference: SA602391

Date of manufacture: 17th Century

Dimensions

Height = 96 cm (37.8")

Width = 83 cm (32.7")

Depth = 6 cm (2.4")

Description

This item represents an opportunity to purchase an item with an interesting provenance, from one of England's oldest families. The Graves family had their seat at Mickleton Manor and Kiftgate Court, Gloucestershire. This work formed part of a collection of family pictures and heirlooms of Sidney Graves Hamilton (1855-1916), having descended to him from the Graves family of Mickleton, prominent landowners in the country since the 16th century. The portrait hung in the ante-room at Kiftgate Court, alongside other family portraits by artists such as Gainsborough, before it was sold in 1983 along with 15 other family portraits. The Graves family is one of the most ancient in England. The family is believed to have used the name De Grava in Bordeaux, Gascony, and came to England with the Norman army. Settling in Yorkshire the name underwent several changes - De Grevis, De Greves, Greve, Grave, Greaves, Greeves, and Graves. John de Grevis was in the army of King John. The first recorded family seat was known as Greves or Greaves (parish of Beeley, northern Derbyshire) as early as the reign of Henry III (1216-1272). Many of the descendants of the different branches of ...

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