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Cornelis Jonson Van Ceulen The Younger (Attributed), Portrait Of Philip Lord Wenman - Antique Oil Painting

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA999688****Date of manufacture: 17th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 83 cm (32.7")

Width = 70 cm (27.6")

Depth = 5 cm (2.0")

Description

This remarkable 17th-century head-and-shoulders portrait depicts Philip Lord Wenman (1610-1686), the third Viscount Wenman of Tuam, Ireland. It's attributed to English artist Cornelis Jonson Van Ceulen The Younger (1634-1715). At age 60, he reflects on a turbulent life of war, politics, and imprisonment. An inkling of a wry smile suggests a state of inner contentment, while his deep-set eyes glisten with decades of acquired wisdom. Wenman lived during a fierce age for the Monarchy. Born in 1610, he fought in several bloody battles for Charles I, defended the King during the English Civil Wars, and conspired with Charles II when he fled for Europe. Astonishingly, he was imprisoned in the Tower of London at least twice - first for supporting the exiled King and later by the restored King himself. So here, when into his autumn years, he peers knowingly across the centuries with a degree of relief that he's cheated death on numerous occasions. And finally, from his home at The Tithe House in Brackley, he's able to savour more leisurely pursuits. Artist Cornelis Jonson Van Ceulen The Younger has captured Wenman with sensitivity via exquisite handling. Note the subtleties i...

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