

Fine Art / Wednesday, 18th March 2020 / Lot 1



LOT 1

Andrew Robertson - Half Length Portrait of Benjamin West holding a Scroll, watercolour on ivory, stencils verso, 19cm x 14cm, within a gilt composition frame of wide section with floral strapwork and corner crestings. Note: this work was exhibited at the Royal Academy in 1803, catalogue no. 774. It was subsequently engraved in mezzotint by G. Dawe. Provenance: Benjamin West; Mr C.M.R. Cleeve by 1899.

Estimate: £400 - £600

Condition Report

1. Small split to ivory in the top left corner. Light rubbing around the edge, including small finger mark to top edge, but mostly concealed by the frame. Dark areas of jacket have some craquelure and minor paint flaking as a result. Some detritus trapped between glass and surface. Very minor mould to surface. Frame with some chips and scuffs and with flaking gilt.

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