



17th Century French School - Coat Of Arms Of H.r. De Besson De Rozéfort - Watercolor



900 EUR

Period : 17th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Paper

Length : 41 cm

Width : 31 cm

Description

Watercolor on paper 41 x 31 cm. Crown: argent on a bend azure charged with a fleur-de-lys or, between two lions gules.Crest: helmet affronty, surmounted by a child's bust issant.Tenants: two children supporting the shield Two collars of orders frame the whole.Motto: Innocence maintains despite envy.The iconography is particularly original: a citadel armed with six cannons and a soldier symbolizes Innocence, while at the bottom, in the moat, an allegorical figure embodies Envy.This is the coat of arms of Henri Robert de Besson de Rozéfort (1627-1697), knight of the Order of Saint-Michel, exempt of the Cent-Suisses de la Garde, one of the thirteen privileged Swiss in this prestigious company, and captain in Mazarin's regiment.This rare watercolor, of great quality of execution, testifies

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