
A Regency portrait miniature of Captain James Grant wearing the uniform of the HEIC, painted in watercolour on ivory

£2,000

REF: 5104

Height: 8 cm (3 1/4")



Short Description

Grant was the 7th son of the Rev. Ludovi Grant, Minister of Ardchattan, who was married to Margaret Davidson, in 1757. He began his military career as Ensign in the Madras Infantry. Reaching the rank of Lieutenant in 1799, he transferred to the 5th Native Cavalry Regiment and in 1801 to the 25th Light Dragoons. With them, he was Commander of the Bodyguard, A.D.C. and Military Secretary to the Rt. Hon Governors of Fort St. George.

In 1803 he married Julia Keir, a daughter of George Keir (Factor to the Earl of Kinnoul, at Aberdalgie) and his wife, Julia nee Watson. James was appointed Major in 1818 and died the next year from wounds while commanding 60 men of the Bodyguard in action on the road to Panjamcoorchy.

More Information

Year	1806.
Medium	watercolour on ivory,
Signed	Signed with initials and dated 1806 on the obverse, the reverse inscribed in several hands James Grant/ Lewes' father/ copy from a portrait painted in India
Condition	Good