

Title Papers Appertaining to the the Silas Deane Claim.

Date probably 1841

Primary Maker Unknown

Basic Detail Report

Medium Photography; salt prints on paper, bound in leather-covered, giltstamped boards with marbled endpapers

Description Photographic facsimiles of letters relating to Silas Deane's secret mission to France during the American Revolution, proving that he was authorized by a Secret Committee of Congress to obtain vessels, munitions, and supplies to be shipped to America, and to receive a commission for these transactions. Letters are dated between 16 November 1775 and 3 July 1777 and are signed by Benjamin Frankin, John Hancock, Stephen Hopkins, the Marquis de Lafayette, and others. Some letters are in French.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (image height x width): $13\,3/8\,x\,9\,1/2$ in. ($34\,x\,24.1$ cm) or smaller Sheet (height x width): $17\,x\,14\,3/4$ in. ($43.2\,x\,37.5$ cm) or smaller Other (binding height x width x depth): $17\,1/4\,x\,11\,x\,3/8$ in. ($43.8\,x\,27.9\,x\,1$ cm)