

Basic Detail Report

Title Ashtray and Lighter

Date about 1965

Primary Maker The Hartford Faience Co.

Medium Mold-formed porcelain with a grey glaze, leather, gilding, and cast brass

Description Round ashtray (.a) made of porcelain with an opaque light grey glaze and a lighter (.b) made of porcelain and brass. The ashtray is shallow and round, with horizontal ribs on the sides. There is a second, circular area inside, intended to hold the ashes, with five semi-circular indentations on the rim. The lighter consists of a short, round, hollow, porcelain column with horizontally ribbed sides. The brass lighter fits snugly inside the porcelain column. The lighter has a sleek, shell-shaped handle, which, when pressed down, caused the lighter mechanism to lift up and produce a flame. The underside of the brass lighter has two screws, intended to enable the owner to refill the fluid. The bottom of the lighter is stamped with the mark of the Evans company. The bottom of the porcelain has a circular, leather piece attached, with an advertisement for the Hartford Faience Company. There are some light scratches on projecting portions of the ashtray and lighter.

Dimensions Component (height x diameter of lighter): 2 1/4 x 2 1/2in. (5.7 x 6.4 cm) Component (diameter of ashtray): 5in. (12.7cm)