



**Louis XVI three gold oval box, master goldsmith Jean George Paris**

Era: 18th century, Louis XVI

Materials: gold

Dim: W 8 cm (3.15 in)/ D 4 cm (1.57 in) / H 3,5 cm (1.38 in)

Weight: 115 gr (4 oz)

Charge mark: two palms, 1762-1768

Date mark: crowned Z Paris, 1763

Discharge mark: dog's head: 1762-1768

Fermier général: Jean Jacques Pevost

Master hallmark: Jean George

Hinged oval box in three-tone gold, decorated on the perimeter of the lid with a wavelet frieze, two rosettes and a central medallion featuring four putti playing with a dog on a leash. The reverse of the box is identical, but features the attributes of love (torch, arrow, quiver) in the reserve. The frame is composed of four panels separated by pilasters, each housing a reserve decorated with birds, a

chalice and an ewer in a plant frame. The rim of the snuffbox is engraved "George à Paris".

Master hallmark: Jean George, Paris 1752-1765

Inventory numeral 618.

Bibliography: catalogue of gold boxes, Wallace collection page 107 and 341.