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# Smithsonian Institution

Office of General Counsel

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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

August 9, 2017

RE: Your Request for Smithsonian Records (request number 47947)

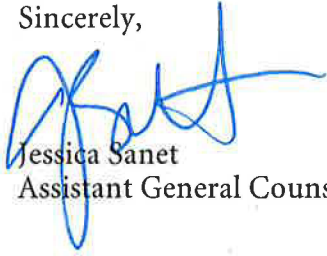
This responds to your request, dated and received in this Office on February 23, 2017, for “a copy of the list or printout or database of artwork items deaccessioned from the Smithsonian Museum of American Art during the period January 1, 2010 through January 1, 2017.” The Smithsonian responds to requests for records in accordance with Smithsonian Directive 807 – Requests for Smithsonian Institution Information (SD 807) and applies a presumption of disclosure when processing such requests. The policy is posted on our website at <http://www.si.edu/OGC/Records-Requests>.

SD 807 does not require that we create a document in response to a records request. In this instance, in an effort to be of assistance we have compiled the below list of artwork items deaccessioned from the Smithsonian American Art Museum during the period January 1, 2010 through January 1, 2017.

- 2011: Katharine Augusta Carl: *The Empress Dowager, Tze Hsi, of China*, 1903, oil on canvas
- 2012: Henry Hobson Richardson: *Entrance (Door and Stone Surround)* from the Benjamin H. Warder House, ca. 1885, stone, wood, and iron
- 2012: Henry Hobson Richardson: *Fireplace with Carved Overmantel, Mirror, and Sconces* from the Benjamin H. Warder House, ca. 1885, wood, marble, iron, glass
- 2012: John Elliott: *Diana of the Tides*, 1908, oil on canvas
- 2012: Toots Zynsky: *Untitled*, 1992, fused glass
- 2015: Louis Bouche: *Conservation—Western Lands (mural, U.S. Dept. of Interior)*, 1938, oil on canvas

This concludes the Smithsonian’s response to your request.

Sincerely,



Jessica Sanet  
Assistant General Counsel

You have the right to appeal a partial or full denial of your request. Your appeal must be in writing, addressed to the Smithsonian Institution Office of General Counsel at the address below, and made within sixty days from the date of this response letter. Your letter must explain your reason(s) for the appeal. The Smithsonian Under Secretary for Finance and Administration will decide your appeal and will respond to you in writing. You also have the right to seek dispute resolution services from the Office of Government Information Services, within the National Archives and Records Administration.