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Unrecorded (unless a variant spelling). The daughter of a capitaine and chevalier de Saint-Louis from Rennes, the sitter was married 12 years after the pastel, which may have been executed locally. Her son Louis-Spiridon, later created comte de La Villegontier, was born in 1776 with the duc de Penthièvre and princesse de Lamballe as godparents.

Pastels

La comtesse de La Ville Gonthier [Mme René-Joseph FRAIN de La Villegontier, née Mélanie-Louise Fournier de Pellan (1749–1783)], pstl, 46x37, sd → 1763, inscr. *verso* Château de la Villegauthier, 1786 (Versailles, Hôtel des ventes du château, Pillon, 29.v.2011, Lot 16 repr., est. €1000–1500, €1700) φ

