

Neil Jeffares, *Dictionary of pastellists before 1800*

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CAUMONT, Joseph-François-
Xavier de Seytres, marquis de

Caumont-sur-Durance, Vaucluse 4.XII.1726 –
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According to Deloye, the marquis de Caumont was a “peintre au pastel, écrivain, agronome, protecteur d’Althen, député au roi, en 1774, pour demander la confirmation des priviléges du Comtat-Venaissin.” The portrait he catalogues, in trois crayons, is of Jean Althen, who introduced the cultivation of garance to the region. In 1752 Caumont married Marie-Anne de Montboissier-Beaufort-Canillac; both were the subject of oil portraits by Jean Valade (*q.v.*). Caumont’s father was the patron of Joseph Vernet.

Bibliography

Deloye 1879, p. 26