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## SIR ARCHIBALD MACDONALD, KNIGHT AND BARONET.

A framed and mounted three-quarter-length mezzotint portrait of Sir Archibald Macdonald, 1st Baronet by by Henry Meyer. Sir Archibald Macdonald, 1st Baronet (13 July 1747 – 18 May 1826) was Scottish-born English lawyer, judge and politician. Born at Armadale Castle on The Isle of Skye, he was sent to England early to keep him away from Jacobite influence. He attended Westminster School from 1760 from where he went on to Christ Church, Oxford, graduating B.A. in 1768 and M.A. in 1772. He was subsequently called to the bar at Lincoln's Inn. Initially a Whig he later joined the King's party and as King's Counsel he was an enthusiastic prosecutor of Radicals, including the pamphleteer and agitator Thomas Paine for his *Rights of Man* in December 1792. A convivial man, he was nicknamed 'the Arabian knight' in his lifetime for apparently having 'a thousand and one tales'. He is shown sitting in armchair, in wig and judicial robes; books, quill pen, inkpot by window at left

DIMENSIONS: 1cm (0<sup>1/2</sup>") Wide

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