

The Frick Collection: Detail Report



Ferrante Loffredo (d. 1573)

Milanese School

Date mid-16th century

Medium Wax on glass

Dimensions Diam.: 3 15/16 in. (10.02 cm) (including wooden case)

Credit Line Dr. Stephen K. and Janie Woo Scher Collection

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Currently On View

Second Floor, Room 32, Medals Room

Commentary This medal was no doubt produced before the abdication in 1556 of Charles V, who is represented here in his imperial capacity, and after Loffredo was made Marquess of Trevico in 1548. The reverse shows the conferring of a military title or appointment, referring perhaps to Loffredo's appointment as governor of Magna Grecia by Charles V. Based on stylistic observations, the medal has been tentatively associated with the work of Pietro Paolo Galeotti. However, Loffredo's medal also appears to have several traits in common with a group of medals produced by the so-called Milanese School.

Source: Scher, Stephen K., et al. *The Scher Collection of Commemorative Medals*. New York and London, 2019.