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DEFRANCE, Dieudonné

Liège 22.III.1751 – Ans, Liège 7.II.1819

No doubt a close relation of Léonard Defrance (*q.v.*; a François-Noël Defrance (1756–1823), avocat, was also recorded in the société 1784–1809) he was identified in the livret of the salon de la Société d'Émulation de Liège for 1783 as “M. D. D. Defrance, le jeune, de retour de ses voyages.” He was Dieudonné or Deodatus Defrance, the son of Charles Defrance; on 23.V.1797 (4 prairial an IV) in Bitche, Moselle, he married a Christine-Catherine Rebenack from Saarbrücken, signing the register “D: D: Defrance, lieutenant”, his rank in the 84½ Brigade. Among the witnesses was Pierre-Martin-Antoine Caffieri (1772–1841), a member of the family of artists.

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