



Early 19th century emerald intaglio and gold seal ring, English c.1820, for William Ward, 3rd Viscount Dudley and Ward,

the cut corner rectangular emerald oriented landscape, carved with the quarterly of nine shield below a coronet, flanked by standing figural angels, above the banner motto: 'COMME IE FUS' (as I was), the emerald close collet set with fluted border, raised in a mount engraved with bands of acanthus leaves, similar engraving to the baluster-and-knop shaped shoulders, the emerald seal top opening at one end to reveal a concealed compartment with hinged cylinder key featuring a castellated head.

William Ward, 3rd Viscount Dudley and Ward (1750-1823) was a British peer and politician.

Ward was the son of John Ward, 1st Viscount Dudley and Ward, by his second wife Mary Carver. He was elected to the House of Commons for Worcester in 1780, a seat he held until 1788, when he succeeded his half-brother in the viscountcy and entered the House of Lords.

Head 16 x 13mm

Emerald spreading approximately 12.9 x 11.2mm
Weight: 18.5g