

**EXHIBITION TITLE: The First Actresses: Nell Gwyn to Sarah Siddons**

**DATES: 20 October 2011 - 8 January 2012**

List of objects proposed for protection under part six of the Tribunals, Courts and Enforcement Act 2007. (Protections of cultural objects on loan from outside the UK:



**(1937.1.92)**  
**Thomas Gainsborough**  
**Elizabeth Linley**  
**2515x1854x140**  
**Oil on canvas**  
**C.1785-7**

Credit Line: National Gallery of Art, Washington, Andrew W. Mellon Collection

**Provenance:**

Mrs. Edward Bouverie [1750-1825], a friend of the sitter, Delapré Abbey, Northampton; by descent to General Everard Bouverie [1789-1871]; (his sale, Christie, Manson & Woods, London, 2 March 1872, no. 110); purchased by Alfred de Rothschild [1842-1918] for his father, Baron Lionel Nathan de Rothschild [1808-1879], Gunnersbury, Middlesex; by inheritance to his son, Nathaniel, 1st lord Rothschild [1840-1915]; his widow, Emma, Lady Rothschild; her nephew, Nathaniel Mayer Victor, called Victor, 3rd baron and later 3rd lord Rothschild [1910-1990]; [1] sold c. 1936 to (Duveen Brothers, Inc., London, New York, and Paris); purchased 26 April 1937 by The A.W. Mellon Educational and Charitable Trust, Pittsburgh; gift 1937 to NGA.