Primary Maker: Isaac La Grese
Title: Little Bittern (Ixobrychus minutus), Adult Female
Date: ca. 1554-1564
Medium: Watercolor, gouache, black ink, and white lead pigment over black chalk on ivory paper, formerly laid on an album page
Dimensions: Overall (irregular): 14 7/8 × 11 5/8 in. (37.8 × 29.5 cm)
Credit Line: Gift of Nathaniel H. Bishop
Object Number: 1889.10.1.16

Classification: DRAWINGS
Physical Description: Avian study

Inscribed: Inscribed along left edge vertically: "Taurus stellaris. 14"
Markings: Inside cover of Album 1 contains a printed catalogue description reading: "Drawings of European Birds, a Collection of upwards of 200 Drawings, most beautifully executed colours, of European Birds, taken from Nature, and most faithfully copied with a view to be published; but from the death of the artists M. la Grese, and M. Petit, they never were engraved. Most of them are accompanied with their names, in 4 large vols. oblong folios, formerly in the Duke of Devonshire’s Collection"
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