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Subpoena for Indian by Michel Lepailleur de la Ferté, Montreal Old signed document. Obligation to appear for 8ata [Ouata] Iroquois. Montreal, September 15, 1713. Signature of Le Pailleur. This is one of the few official documents from New France dealing with the life of an Aboriginal person in the colony. Michel Lepailleur de la Ferté, born around 1656 and died in 1733, was a practitioner, bailiff, prison concierge, acting clerk, royal notary, senecal judge, deputy king's prosecutor and acting civil and criminal lieutenant general. It was in his capacity as acting clerk, although he was also prison janitor at the time, that Lepailleur summoned an Iroquois named 8ata to appear as a witness in a case whose details are unknown to us.

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Medium and Support ink, paper

Measurements 12,9 x 22,2 cm

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