A000-Afr-Mali-Dogon-Anthropomorphic Container-Bronze-1300 CE

 

Case no. 6

Dogon bronze Anthropomorphic Container from Mali. Height 7 in. Fine old rare patina. Used for probably storing betel nut juice or some other stimulant. Its lid has a provocative likeness of an elder who holds the *baton de commandement* of his office in his right hand. He was probably an important figure of his tribal group on Mali’s bandiagara escarpment.