



**Barry Lawrence Ruderman
Antique Maps Inc.**

7407 La Jolla Boulevard
La Jolla, CA 92037

www.raremaps.com

(858) 551-8500
blr@raremaps.com

**United States of Nth America -- Carte des Etats-Unis De L'Amerique Septentrionale
Copiee et Gravee sure celle D'Arrowsmith . . . 1812**

Stock#: 29392
Map Maker: Tardieu
Date: 1812 (1816 ca)
Place: Paris
Color: Outline Color
Condition: VG+
Size: 54 x 47 inches (if joined)
Price: SOLD



Description:

Fine example of Tardieu's magnificent 4 sheet map of the United States, one of the best large format maps of of the United States from the period.

Originally based upon the 1796 edition of Arrowsmith's map of the United States, the map has been completely re-engraved by Tardieu and reflects the finer engraving skills of this Paris engraver. In addition of the decorative cartouche present in Arrowsmith's map, Tardieu has added a plan of Washington DC, based upon Ellicott's plan.

Following the appearance of the first state, Tardieu's map goes through several significant revisions. A second edition is issued in 1808 (adding Michigan Territory, Ohio, Vermont, Kentucky & Tennessee). A third edition was issued in 1812, which is known in at least 3 states, followed by an extremely rare fourth edition, published in 1820, which adds an additional set of half sheets at the bottom of the map, extending the map's coverage to include all of Florida.

The 3 states of the map dated 1812 can be identified most easily by Tardieu's treatment of the southern regions of the United States. In the first edition, Georgia extends to the Mississippi River (pre-dating Mississippi Territory), West Florida is shown, Louisiana does not yet appear as a state and there is a massive area called Indiana below lake Michigan, with an unnamed Territory to the west. In the second state (circa 1816), Mississippi Territory is shown for the first time, along with Illinois Territory, Indiana



**Barry Lawrence Ruderman
Antique Maps Inc.**

7407 La Jolla Boulevard
La Jolla, CA 92037

www.raremaps.com

(858) 551-8500
blr@raremaps.com

**United States of Nth America -- Carte des Etats-Unis De L'Amerique Septentrionale
Copiee et Gravee sure celle D'Arrowsmith . . . 1812**

Territory (which would become as state in November 1816) and a massive Northwest Territory. In the 1818 edition of the map, Alabama Territory appears for the first time, the roads in Illinois Territory and Indiana Territory have been changed and East Florida and West Florida are no longer named.

This circa 1816 edition of the map would appear to be extremely rare. We can find no catalog references which identify this variant edition, and Rumsey was apparently also unaware of this edition as of mid-2011, at the time he acquired his copy of the 1820 edition of the map.

Detailed Condition:

Unjoined, in 4 sheets, with wide uncut margins.