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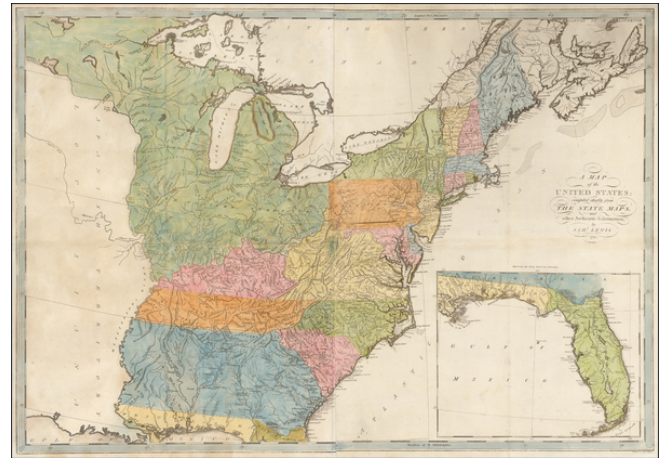
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A Map of the United States compiled chiefly from The State Maps and other Authentic Information, by Saml. Lewis 1795

Stock#: 53139
Map Maker: Carey
Date: 1795
Place: Philadelphia
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 35 x 24.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

One of the Earliest Wall Maps of the United States Published In America

Rare period color example of the Samuel Lewis 4 sheet map of the United States, "Engraved for and Sold By Matthew Carey, Philadelphia."

The Lewis map is one of only 5 multi-sheet maps of the United States printed in America prior to 1800. The other 4 (Abel Buell, Osgood Carleton, Abraham Bradley and William MacMurray) are essentially unobtainable.

Lewis' map incorporates for the first time on a large format map of the United States the newly created Territory of "Tennasee" (which would become a state on June 1, 1796) and Kentucky (which had become a state on June 1, 1792), along with a reasonable well configured treatment of the District of Maine, which would not become a state until 1820.

The map pre-dates the formation of Mississippi Territory, such that Georgia still extends to the Mississippi River. East and West Florida are still shown.

The present example is even more unusual, appearing in full 18th century American color.

Detailed Condition:

2-sheets jointed. Old color, recently retouched.