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## Carte Des Etats-Unis D'Amerique Et Du Cours Du Mississippi [Franklinia]

**Stock#:** 0173  
**Map Maker:** Brion de la Tour  
**Date:** 1790  
**Place:** Paris  
**Color:** Uncolored  
**Condition:** VG+  
**Size:** 10.5 x 9 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



### Description:

Scarce map of the United States, showing the state of Frankland in western North Carolina, predating the appearance of Tennessee. Georgia, the Carolinas and Virginia extend to the Mississippi (although Kentucke is named). A large area in the old Northwest is identified as land ceded to the United States. Many western Forts are shown, especially west of the Mississippi and North of the Missouri River. Kansez is named. The vast prairies of Buffalo People are shown. Tepas is named. Indiana and Ohio are named, but badly misconfigured. A terrific map, which appeared in volume 116 of the *Histoire Universel* and is listed in Ashley Baynton Williams work on Franklinia, the third earliest appearance of the name. (Map Collector 72:15, #3) On December 14, 1784, the elected representatives of the people of western Carolina and eastern Tennessee conducted the First Constitutional Convention in Jonesboro, at which time they elected John Sevier president and John A. Ramsay secretary. The purpose of the convention was galvanized by the Cumberland resident's dissatisfaction with an unresponsive government in North Carolina, including dissatisfaction with the tax structure. At the conclusion of the meeting, a letter was written to Benjamin Franklin, inviting him to relocate and requesting authority to use his name. Franklin responded that he was proud to offer his name, but could not relocate. Gerson: Franklin America's Lost State.

### Detailed Condition: