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## A New Description of Carolina.

**Stock#:** 2967  
**Map Maker:** Speed  
**Date:** 1676  
**Place:** London  
**Color:** Hand Colored  
**Condition:** VG  
**Size:** 19.5 x 15 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



### Description:

John Speed's version of the famous Lords Proprietors' Map of Carolina, based upon Charles II grant to 8 of his supporters of all the lands between Virginia & Florida (overlooking the fact he did not own the land). Speed's map is drawn from the account an of John Lederer, a young German explorer who had crossed the Blue Ridge Mtns in hopes of seeing the Pacific Ocean. Lederer introduced numerous geographical myths, including a description of Piedmont NC as being under water for for part of the year, a massive interior lake and an arid region he named the Arenosa Desert. Speed's map and the text on the verso were the first to give extensive credit to Lederer & contributed to the survival of these myths for nearly 100 years. Cumming 77. A good example, with some thinness at the centerfold an a minor bit of restoration. Several old tape stains in the blank margins and some minor repairs in the lower right corner, but generally an attractive example in nice color. Normally a \$5500.00 map.

### Detailed Condition: