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**(A Picture of the Rulers of Virginia) Der Fürsten und Herrn in Viginia Abcontrafeytung**

**Stock#:** 45535  
**Map Maker:** De Bry  
**Date:** 1590  
**Place:** Frankfurt  
**Color:** Hand Colored  
**Condition:** VG+  
**Size:** 11.5 x 9 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



**Description:**

**Virginia Chiefs**

Fine copper plate engraving showing Theodore De Bry's version of John White's painting "A Picture of the Rulers of Virginia."

The view shows two tattooed Virginia Indians with bows, with additional hunters in the background.

In 1585, Governor John White, was part of a voyage from England to the Outer Banks of North Carolina under a plan of Sir Walter Raleigh to settle "Virginia." White was at Roanoke Island for about thirteen months before returning to England for more supplies. During this period he made a series of over seventy watercolor drawings of indigenous people, plants, and animals. The purpose of his drawings was to give those back home an accurate idea of the inhabitants and environment in the New World. The earliest



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images derived from White's original drawings were made in 1590, when Theodor De Bry made engravings from White's drawings to be printed in Thomas Hariot's account of the journey. Hariot, a mathematician, had also been part of the 1585 voyage.

**Detailed Condition:**