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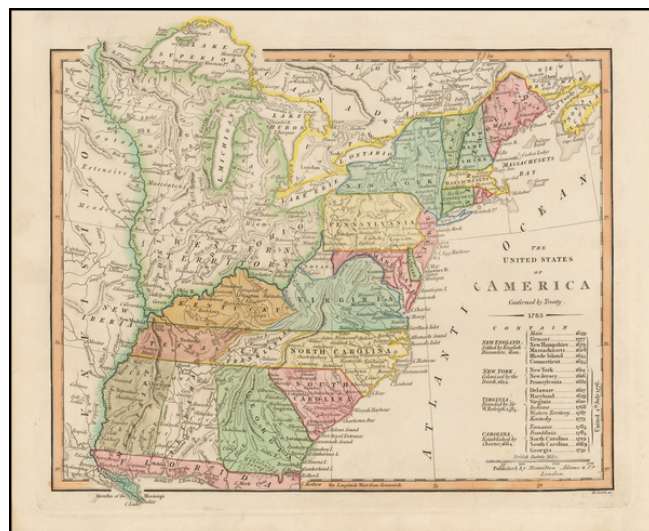
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The United States of America Confirmed By Treaty 1783 [shows Franklinia]

Stock#: 48831
Map Maker: Hamilton, Adams & Co.
Date: 1827
Place: London
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 11 x 9.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

One of the Rarest of The Franklinia Maps

Highly sought-after map of the United States, featuring the State of Franklin, offered here in a late state by Hamilton, Adams & Co.

This map was originally offered by Wilkinson in about 1806. This Hamilton, Adams & Co., edition is extremely rare, this being the first example we have ever seen offered for sale.

The map includes a massive Georgia, running to the Mississippi River, New Iberia, massive Western Territory and extensive notes along the Mississippi Valley. An important collector's map. Many Indian Tribes located.

Perhaps the most unique feature of this map is the inclusion of the "State of Franklin," to the west of Virginia and the East of Kentucky. In fact, this short lived breakaway group was located between North Carolina and Tennessee, as noted below. Indiana is also shown where Ohio would normally appear.

In the latter part of the 18th Century, the settlers in Western North Carolina and Eastern Tennessee decided that because of poor representation in State Government, they needed to form a state of their own. A government was formed and initial organizational meetings conducted, but the breakaway state was quickly quelled by the North Carolina authorities, although not before the State of Franklinia began appearing on a number of English maps during the period. Ben Franklin himself responded that while he was honored by the decision to name a state after him, he was not able to relocate. In this instance,



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Franklinia is mislocated, placing it in what would become West Virginia.

Detailed Condition: