

SA851873

A George II Irish Mahogany Secrétaire Kneehole Bookcase Att. C. Hearn

Price

GBP 45,900

| USD \$62,580 | EUR 53,561

Item Reference: SA851873**Date of manufacture: 18th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 239 cm (94.1")

Width = 103 cm (40.6")

Depth = 58 cm (22.8")

Description

An original and rare two-part George II 18th century Irish architects figured mahogany secrétaire bookcase, circa 1760, Ireland. Attributed to Christopher Hearn of Dublin. An impressive carved eagle looking to the left is surmounted to the broken scrolling pediment flanked by flowers above a pair of moulded panelled doors enclosing three shelves above a pair of two short oak-lined drawers. Sitting on a moulded kneehole desk with a large fitted drawer opening to an inset retractable leather writing surface concealing four drawers, a removable ink tray and numerous compartments above a central blind and shaped apron concealing a drawer. To each side of the kneehole is a run of three oak-lined graduating lipped drawers and a further three drawers of the same fashion are neatly concealed within the kneehole itself. Raised on a moulded base and what is known as double bracket feet. Further reading: This bureau-dressing-table and cabinet reflects the George II Romano/British fashion promoted by Richard Boyle, 3rd Earl of Burlington and 4th Earl of Corke (d. 1753), who served as George II's Lord Lieutenant of Ireland. Roman virtue is evoked by a Roman eagle crowning its triumph...

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