

### QUEEN ANNE MULBERRY BUREAU IN THE MANNER OF JOHN COXED - REF 2112



A superb Queen Anne mulberry, field maple and walnut bureau in the manner of John Coxed. The top, fall and drawer fronts veneered in mulberry with walnut feather banding, the sides in field maple and the mouldings in walnut. The top opens to reveal a mulberry and walnut interior, with a central compartment bordered by column fronted concealed drawers with a further arrangement of pigeon holes, drawers and concealed compartments. There is a central well and leather covered writing surface to the fall.

The fall is supported by retractable lopers in the frieze, the bureau has a walnut waist moulding, with 2 short over 3 long, oak lined, mulberry veneered, walnut feather banded drawers below, fitted with engraved gilt brass plate handles. The bureau stands on bun feet. An extremely elegant and appealing early piece retaining excellent original colour and patina.

*John Coxed established a business in the late 17th century in St Pauls Church yard London, he later partnered with Thomas Woster and the business survived at the St Pauls churchyard address till Woster's death in 1736. Mulberry wood although originally thought to be a veneer from that tree, was later thought to be burr maple stained in a particular process to give a beautiful mottled looking, highly figured timber that can be seen on this wonderful piece of furniture. Coxed's work was often associated with pewter inlay used in conjunction with mulberry veneers, it is known that he also produced pieces with the more standard walnut feather banding.*

**PRICE: £24,900**



**Provenance:** Private collector Massachusetts, USA. Believed to have been purchased from the London trade in the 60's or early 70's.

**Origin & Age:** English, Queen Anne, circa 1705

**Dimensions:** 38½" wide, 22" deep, 39" high; 98cm wide, 56cm deep; 99cm high.

**Restorations:** Minor restorations, the leather writing surface replaced. The feet old replacements, drawer handles replaced.

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