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**A HANDSOME PARTNER'S DESK AFTER THE  
CHIPPENDALE DESIGN**

**Dimensions: H: 29.5 in / 75 cm | W: 66.5 in / 169 cm | D: 42 in / 107 cm**

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Made from fine mahogany, with finely cast brass hardware, the desk supported on rolling casters hidden under the thumbnail moulded plinth, each pedestal with incurved corners housing a bank of four graduated drawers with stiff-leaf carving and scrolling brass handles, the other side of the desk with large panelled doors with arched tops enclosing shelved cupboards; the writing surface above the frieze drawer inset with a maroon and gilt-tooled leather.

English, circa 1910

An understated and elegant desk originally designed in the mid-18th century to stand at the centre of a grand library, it is the fashionable Rococo details such as the C-scrolled handles and the applied carving that single-out this desk as a fine Chippendale style example. The gilt-tooled leather adds a touch of luxury.

The design was first published in Chippendale's famous book of designs, appearing as plate LXXVII



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in his third edition of 1762.