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A FINE BUREAU PLAT IN THE MANNER OF ANDRÉ-CHARLES BOULLE

H: 31.5 in / 80 cm | W: 61 in / 154 cm | D: 33 in / 84 cm

Constructed in ebony with arabesque foliate cut brass inlays, with premiere-partie panels set with tortoiseshell grounds and brass inlay work, and having extensive fine quality ormolu mounts; rising from animal paw sabots, mounted with female masks at the shoulders; the apron housing three drawers, with faux drawers to the obverse, the central drawers set with a Bacchic mask issuing foliates, the platform of serpentine form, having a brass guard edge, and inset with a gilt tooled morocco leather. Stamped to the carcass 'BF' and 'Gros'.

French, Circa 1870

Denise Ledoux-Lebard's 'Le Mobilier Français du XIXe Siecle'. Published by les Editions de l'Amateur, 2000, lists a Benjamin Gros, whose enterprise amalgamated with the noted ebeniste Winckelsen in 1871; Gros had received an honourable mention for his 'Boulle' furniture in the Exposition Universelle in 1855.

Literature:

Le Mobilier Francais (qv)

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