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CHRF 18-313

A pair of Louis XVI gilt wood marquise

Paris, France, circa 1780

Size: 34" high x 33" wide x 24 ¾" deep

Provenance: Ailsa Mellon Bruce (1903 – 1969)

Price: \$190,000.00 (Pair)

A pair of Louis XVI finely carved and gilded wood marquise with peach silk velvet upholstered rectangular backs, arm rests and loose cushions; with lapped and beaded carving on the arms and supports, above a dart carved apron flanked by *paterae* carvings on carved and spiral turned legs, on *pieds toupe* feet. With its original gilding.

Ailsa Mellon Bruce (1903-1969) was a passionate and prolific collector of European furniture and decorative arts. She was the only daughter of Andrew Mellon, the Pittsburgh banker, art collector and statesman.

Made for the Royal Family of France, hence not signed, as tax exempt in the 18th century.