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**A reverse painted still life of fruit and flowers**

*mid-18th century*

fine example of a reverse-glass still life painting with lush floral stems over newly-sliced pomegranates, plump grapes, red cherries and pears with two small hidden birds; exposed section on back with script describing the gifting of the painting to William Schroeder from his Aunt Hickson in 1849. The painting was originally owned by Schroeder's grandfather (Hickson's father), German-born Valentine Schwarz and was described as Schwarz' 'favorite picture'; most-likely the painting was brought from Germany by Schwarz in the 18th century settling in Frederick Town, Maryland

*Height: 13.75"*

*Seat height:*

*Width: 17.5"*

*Depth: 1"*

*Diameter:*

*Drop:*

\$3,450