## MARY COOKE ANTIQUES LTD Fine Antique Silver

## A rare George III Salver made in London in 1809 by John Crouch II

Sold



REF: 136620 Width: 11 cm (4.3") Depth: 8 cm (3.1")

## Description

The Salver, which is oval in form, displays a most unusual cast stepped border, the first section decorated with lobing and the outer rim with arch work. This is the first time we have seen this specific design of a border on a Salver. This piece stands on four unusual cast scroll feet, decorated with an outer gadrooned band and central anthemion motif. The centre is engraved with a contemporary Armorial, with Crest above issuing from a Mural coronet. The reverse is engraved with the script initials JW. The Arms and Crest are those of the Wood family of County Lancashire, which were granted in 1582, impaling those of the Flint family of Norwich. Both families were of the wealthy mercantile or parish gentry class. John Crouch II was the son of the famous salver maker John Crouch I and was apprentice to his father. Examples of John IIs work are very rare, however the quality is nearly always exceptional, which is shown in this piece.