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Pierre Philippe Thomire: A Pair Of Large Empire Candelabra With Six Lights In Gilt Bronze



11 000 EUR

Signature : Pierre-Philippe Thomire (1757-1853)

Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Bronze

Length : 73

Width : 31

Diameter : 31

Description

A pair of six-light Empire gilt bronze candelabra, early 19th century, THOMIRE, A PARIS. The stem of the candlesticks is fluted and its baluster column decorated with a hymn rests on a square base. The top has a central finial that forms six swan-shaped branches that support the candlesticks. The candlestick is stamped on the base THOMIRE A PARIS. Pierre-Philippe Thomire (1757-1853) was the most important Parisian bronze-maker of the last quarter of the 18th century and the first decades of the 19th century. Early in his career he worked for Pierre Gouthière, chaser-founder to the king, and in the mid-1970s he began collaborating with Louis Prieur. Thomire would later become one of the bronze-makers associated with the Manufacture Royale de Sèvres and would make the bronze

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mounts for most of the important creations of the period. After the French Revolution, he bought out Martin-Eloi Lignereux's shares, becoming the main supplier to imperial castles and palaces. He also worked for a wealthy private clientele, both French and foreign, including Napoleon and his mother. Thomire retired in 1823.