STOLEN ART



Bulletin 97-10

Lost and Stolen Art, Antiques and Collectibles

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PLISSON, Henri 1996 Rose Cottage serigraph on canvas #45/95 24" x 30" signed lower right



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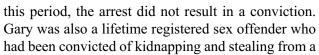
AUCTION HOUSE EMPLOYEE CONVICTED

Reginald Gary was hired as a part-time employee at an auction house. Within a one month period, he managed to steal an estimated

\$100,000 in consigned property including vintage movie posters, animation art, and Elvis Presley memorabilia (see bulletin 97-2).

When Gary was hired, a standard background investigation was conducted because he was to be placed in a position of trust handling high value property. The case illustrates that although background investigations are often useful and desirable, they are not infallible.

A private investigative firm checked court records for criminal convictions during the past seven years but none were found. Although Gary had been arrested for a theft-related crime during



prior employer. However, all of these crimes occurred prior to the seven year period examined by the investigative firm. Gary's last job was for a large department store chain. The store managers were contacted but they refused to disclose under what conditions Gary left their employment. As a result, the auction house never learned that Gary had been fired for dishonesty.

Reginald Gary pled guilty to the

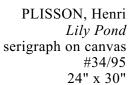
auction house thefts and was sentenced to state prison. He is still awaiting trial for sexually molesting a 7-year old girl and his own 5year old son.



Reginald Gary

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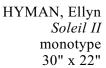




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97-1126380 10-2/97 MINNE, George 1896 The Three Holy Women at the Grave wood sculpture about 30" tall dark finish





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KAUFMAN, Steve *Romeo y Julieta Habana* screenprint on canvas with hand embellishment AP #13/50 signed & numbered on verso 33 3/4" x 46 1/2"

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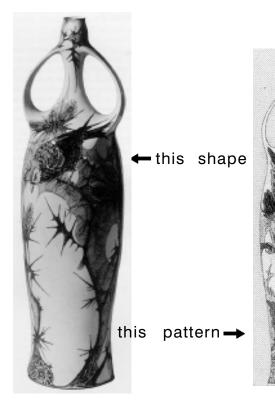
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SHIRE, Peter Here Today Gone to Maui gouache on paper 30 1/2" x 22"



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Amphora vase (similar to Rozenburg) 1895 egg shell porcelain about 18" tall colorful bird pattern

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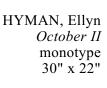
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RUBIN, Mel L.A. Luna mixed media - charcoal & pastel on paper with two layered painted wood frames 33" x 47 1/2"



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MACK, Bill 1995 Solitude Maquette cast bronze, dark brown finish 19" tall