
The Newberry Library

Conservation Treatment Report

ItemID: 360

Call Number: Baskes A5 968	Conservator: Sarah Norris
Title: Karte von Deutschland	Contact Person: Bob Karrow
Author: Sotzmann	Date Examined: 10/2/2008
Publication Date: 1789	Date Returned: 10/22/2008

<u>Selection method:</u>	<u>Format:</u>	<u>Housing:</u>
for appraisal	map	Folder

Media:

The map is printed in black printers' ink and hand-colored in green, red, blue, yellow, brown, orange, and purple watercolor.

Support: **H** 115 cm **W** 97 cm **D**

The map is printed on cream-colored, hand-made, laid paper. Note that support measurements are pulled from WorldCat and may not accurately reflect this item once reassembled.

Binding: **H** **W** **D**

None.

Presence of Foreign Substances:

A white residue appears in several places on the recto. It has the appearance and feel of excess Bookkeeper deacidification spray.

Change in Appearance:

The item is in poor condition.

Structural Changes:

The support displays significant brown staining, especially in non-printed areas. The same stain pattern appears on the verso, where a textile pattern from a previous lining can be seen. The map has been cut into 33 segments plus a collection of smaller strips ranging in width from 1/8" to approximately 1/4".

Treatment Completed:

The cut pieces of the map were found to align only in pairs, indicating that the pairs could possibly have come from different impressions. In consultation with the cataloguer, it was decided to mend only the pairs together and encapsulate them. This will allow researchers to place the encapsulated pieces together on a table for use. An accompanying book, book box, and folder of three separate leaves was found in the cataloguing department during this discussion. All four objects (the map, book, book box, and folder of leaves) compose the item and should be stored together.

The pieces of the map were dry cleaned with a soot sponge and mended together as decided above with usumino tissue and wheat starch paste. Each mended portion was then encapsulated in mylar with a buffer sheet of 70# Mohawk, making 17 pieces in all. The encapsulated pieces were numbered for researcher use. Wheat starch paste was used to consolidate loose covering material on the book box.

Housing Completed:

A drop spine box was constructed with an additional inner tray to create compartments for all the associated materials. The book and book box were secured in the enclosure's lower portion with ethafoam and binder's board covered in 70# Mohawk. Linen tapes were attached to aid the removal of the items. A mylar L-sleeve was adhered in the upper portion of the enclosure to hold the folder of separate leaves.

The encapsulated map pieces were placed on top of the L-sleeve in the box's upper portion. Paper labels were made from a thin pre-dyed kozo adhered to Mohawk 70# paper with wheat starch paste. The labels were stamped and adhered to the box with PVA.

Examination, Documentation, and Treatment:	10
Housing or Mounting:	10
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Total Treatment hours:	20