

U.S. Senate

Desk Description and Condition Report

Desk No : **66.00067.000**

Paper Label No.(on shelf bottom): 48

Painted No. (on bottom): N/A

Other identifying labels or marks (specify location): Stretcher: 47, 48, LXVII / Top: (stamped) 47, (pencil) 64/ Drawer Bottom: outside - (ink) No 17 ; inside - /Drawer Back: (pencil) 47 / Bottom of Shelf (other than paper label): illegible chalk inscription / Drawer Blade: / Inside Case Back: / Inkwell: (pencil) 67, (tape) "Talmadge"

Description of Desk

Dimensions (in inches)

| | Overall | Orig. Desk* | Case | Shelf |
|---------------|---------|-------------|--------|-------|
| Height | 35 1/4 | 32 1/2 | | |
| Width (front) | 28 7/8 | 26 5/8 | 25 3/4 | |
| Width (rear) | 26 7/8 | 24 1/4 | 23 5/8 | |
| Depth | 20 1/8 | 20 | 19 1/4 | 9 7/8 |

* Note: Dimensions do not include "booster" blocks added to feet or writing top.

Woods

Primary:

Mahogany

Mahogany veneer

Rosewood veneer

Other Wood (specify): _____

Character of case mahogany:

Plain

Ribbon

Mottled

Crotch

Other

Secondary:

| Element | Pine | Ash | Poplar | Mahog | Other |
|---------------|------|-----|--------|-------|-------|
| Drawer Sides | | | | ✓ | |
| Drawer Bottom | | | ✓ | | |
| Drawer Back | | | | ✓ | |
| Case Interior | | ✓ | | | |
| Drawer Front | ✓ | | | | |

Construction Details

Leg:

| | | | |
|----------------|--------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Wood Type | rosewood crossband | other crossband | no crossband |
| mahog. veneer | ✓ | | |
| solid mahogany | | | |
| other: _____ | | | |

Foot construction:

1-part

2-part

5-part

Other: _____

Cockbead width on bottom of drawer front:

Narrow

Full width

Double bead on edge of leg:

Bead: Thick

Thin

Leg Thickness: 1 5/16"

Opening in original top for inkwell: Yes

No

Shape of cross-stretcher edges:

Rounded

Rectangular

Roundels: Single piece ("yo-yo" form)

Applied boss

| | | | |
|---------------|-------|------|-------|
| Spindle type: | Thick | Thin | Other |
| Number | 4 | 6 | |

Inset distance of single bead on desk back panel:

Side: 1 1/4"

Top: 7/8"

Bottom: 7/8"

Joinery of lower drawer blade to case sides:

single dovetail

2 dovetails

3 dovetails

lap joint

other: _____

| | | | |
|--------------------|------|-----------|-------|
| No. of Glue Blocks | Case | Stretch'r | Shelf |
| Original/Old | | | 2 |
| New/Recent | | | |
| Missing | | | |

Shelf molding applied: Yes

No

Interior case-side flush with corner block? Yes

No

Width of drawer-opening offset Right: 11/16"

Left: 11/16"

Condition of Desk

Structure

Previous breaks in structural elements: Yes
(shown on schematic)
No

Current split or broken elements: Yes
(shown on schematic)
No

Other loose or damaged joinery: Yes
(describe in narrative)
No

Damage to drawer front: Extreme
Moderate
Minor

Drawer lock: relocated on face Yes

Drawer lock: resized on inside Yes

Cockbead on drawer front: Damaged
(show on schematic)
Missing
Loose
Replacements

Replaced drawer-side runners: Yes
No

Replaced case-side runners: Yes
No

Drawer bottom pieced-out at back edge: Yes
No

| Wear on Feet | Extreme | Moderate | Minor |
|--------------|---------|----------|-------|
| Front | ✓ | | |
| Rear | | | ✓ |

Number of loose spindles: No: 3

Number of replaced spindles: No: 6
(show on schematic)

Replaced veneers and cross-banding: Yes
(show on schematic)
No

Missing veneers and cross-banding: Yes
(show on schematic)
No

Delaminated/loose veneers & cross-banding: Yes
(show on schematic)
No

Shelf supports: Original/old
New/recent
Missing

Spindle support board in case: Yes
No

Finish

| Age | Excellent | Good | Fair | Poor |
|------|-----------|------|------|------|
| New | | | ✓ | |
| Old | | | | |
| Unk. | | | | |

Note: Describe finish problems in narrative.

Hardware/Attachments

| Item | Mismatch | Missing | Damaged |
|----------|----------|---------|---------|
| Knob (L) | | | |
| Knob (R) | | | |

| | |
|---------------|--------------|
| Toe cap size: | Right toe: 2 |
| | Left toe: 6a |