



# BUNCOMBE ANTIQUES

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Dear Folks,

As a long time dealer in antiques and collectable I've been concerned about the huge amount of fake and mismarked goods coming into this country.

All give an example of fake items coming mostly from China. Pottery made in the U.S. in earlier years is being made in China & marked Roseville pottery & made in N. S. A. a clear fake. Cameoro glass ware can be very expensive and was made in many countries in the late 1800's & early 1900's is now being faked & mismarked and ~~is being~~ has been introduced into the ~~unmarked~~ U.S. market.

These among scores of others have deceived many collectors, ~~and~~ that have paid thousands of dollars because they were not permanently marked with their real country of origin. I'm asking you to expand the Hobby Protection Act to include all categories of antiques and collectables and to have them item by item be permanently marked.

Deception & fraud have caused an upheaval in the antique field and has ~~caused~~ <sup>cost</sup> millions of dollars to duped collectors. The answer is simple. Protect us, enact the law.

Sincerely  
Stan Lado