



## Trade Sign, Daniel F. Woodruff Plain & Fancy Sign Painter

### Primary Maker

Daniel F. Woodruff

### Medium

Oil on canvas

### Description

A highly detailed and brilliantly colored depiction of the New Jersey state seal on a deep blue background. In a

flowing pink banner across the top of the seal, the name "D. F. WOODRUFF," is flanked by five stars on each side. Another red and gold trimmed banner across the bottom of the seal reads, "PLAIN & FANCY SIGN PAINTER." The seal shows three yellow plows in a green cartouche surmounted by a horse head. It is flanked by a female figure on the left wearing a flowing white dress and billowing blue scarf who is holding a staff with a red liberty cap, and on the right by a second female figure wearing a flowing gold and white costume with a red shawl draped over her right shoulder who is holding a cornucopia filled with agricultural products. Under the cartouche is a third banner in blue that reads "LIBERTY & PROSPERITY" in reference to the symbolism of the two female figures. The seal is set in a naturalistic setting of a grassy foreground with a dramatic partly cloudy sky in the background.

### Dimensions

36.2 × 42.4 in. (91.9 × 107.7 cm)