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RAY EAMES

Unique and Important Splint Sculpture

Evans Products | USA, c. 1963 | douglas fir plywood, birch
42 h x 8 w x 4 d in (107 x 20 x 10 cm)

The outline of this unique work was drawn by Ray Eames and cut by Eames Office employee and designer, Robert Staples (1933–2021). Unlike the three other known splint sculptures, this example is not painted and Ray's original pencil outline is visible along the edge.

Impressed manufacturer's mark to front 'S2-1790'. Sold with an Evans Production plywood splint in original packaging.

Provenance: Gift from Ray Eames to Robert Staples | Thence by descent to Barbara Fahs Charles

Literature: *Eames Design: The Work of the Office of Charles and Ray Eames*, Neuhart, Neuhart and Eames, ppg. 28, 29, 41, 45 illustrate splint and related sculptures *The Story of Eames Furniture*, vo1, Neuhart and Neuhart, pg. 309 illustrates related sculptures *The World of Charles and Ray Eames*, Ince and Johnson, pg. 37 illustrates related sculptures

Estimate: \$50,000–70,000

Result: \$275,000

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