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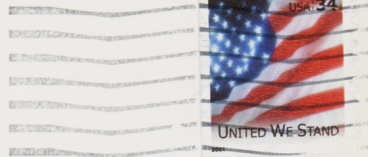
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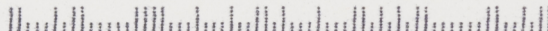
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WYETH, ANDREW. (1917-2009). American realist painter. ALS. ("*Andy*"). Additionally signed by his wife, **BETSY** (b. 1920, "*Betsy*"). 1p. 4to. Chadds Ford, December 14, 2001. Written on his personal "The Mill" stationery to the American artists and collectors, twins **STUART & SCOTT [GENTLING]** (1942-2006 & 1942-2011).

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The son of American illustrator N.C. Wyeth, Andrew Wyeth continued his father's legacy as a realist painter of the Brandywine School. Wyeth's extremely popular works reflect the locales in which he lived – Pennsylvania's Brandywine Valley and Cushing, Maine. His best known work is probably the iconic 1948 *Christina's World*, which depicted his Maine neighbor Christina Olson, a polio victim, crawling up a field towards a distant farmhouse. In Chadd's Ford he and his wife **Betsy James Wyeth** restored a group of buildings on the Brandywine River collectively referred to as The Mill. His son Jamie Wyeth also had a studio at The Mill, where he followed in his father's and grandfather's footsteps. The recipient of numerous honors, Wyeth received the Medal of Freedom in 1963, "for work 'which in the great humanist tradition illuminated and clarified the verities of life,'" (*St. Martin's Press Dictionary of Biography*).

The Gentling brothers were prominent members of the Fort Worth art scene, known for their realist paintings of Texas. They are perhaps best known for their elephant folio limited edition *Of Birds and Texas: The Art of Scott & Stuart Gentling*.

ALSs of Wyeth are rare. Folded and in fine condition; with the original envelope.

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