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## *The Washington Pattern Coinage of Peter Getz*

By George Fuld

A meticulous census of all specimens known, accompanied by pedigrees, auction records, weights, diameters, condition, detailed descriptions, and other pertinent data. Copies will be produced on a high quality laser printer and will feature full-color enlargements of virtually all of the pieces described. Also included is a discussion of the real status of Baker 23, the unique Getz Large Eagle pattern. In addition, the story of the Washington ladle, which has a silver 1797 Getz Masonic medal, Baker 288, in its bowl, is documented for the first time in numismatic circles.

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## Number One - Edge Circles & Squares



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The Davis-Boyd-Ford specimen

Diameter: 35.1 mm; Rims 1.3 mm thick. Weight: 215.3 grains (14.12 grams).

Brilliant Uncirculated, prooflike. Technically this coin is an AU-58.

On the obverse between the back of the head and SID of PRESIDENT a ¼ inch vertical die defect (a similar defect shows on specimen #16). On the reverse the shield on eagle not fully struck up but actually a trace of wear on shield and on the eagle's knees. A small rim bruise on reverse above UNI. Beautifully toned. It is struck from a later state of dies with considerable rust in the stars and additional rust on the right side of the tail, reaching to the rim below. It is clearly overstruck over another coin with traces of the undertype visible around the obverse periphery. The undertype is undoubtedly a 4 reale Mexican issue dated after 1790.

Ex Robert Coulton Davis, January 20-24, 1890, lot 2459 at \$215.; unknown intermediaries; Colonel E. H. R. Green; B. G. Johnson (\$1,000, 1943); F. C. C. Boyd; Boyd Estate; John J. Ford, Jr.; Stack's The Collection of John J. Ford, Jr. Part II, May 11, 2004, Lot 29 at \$391,000; Jon Hanson agent; Donald Partrick.

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