

October 1839, a constitution was drafted and adopted. John Ross was elected principal chief, and a convention of Old Settlers meeting at Fort Gibson in 1840 approved the constitution.

Joining in this, "Act of Union", were two bands of Arkansas Cherokees who had migrated to Texas in 1819 and 1831, then had been driven out of Texas and come to live with the Old Settlers. Therefore, on paper at least, the Cherokees in Indian Territory were a united people living under a constitution and laws of their own making.

ACT OF UNION

\$1,200.00

24" x 36" black frame with a double black matt framing an original gouache' painting on black matt board. The "flat" style painting was done using airbrush and dry brush techniques.