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A stunning and very high quality true pair of French 19th century patinated bronze and ormolu statues of lions. Each impressive statue is raised by a rectangular ormolu base with fine bun feet and adorned with rosettes. The wonderfully executed lions above are lying with their paws crossed and hanging over the edge of the base and display fine attention to detail and richly chased manes.

Known as the "Recumbent Lion", this figure guarded the entrance to pyramid-age sanctuaries as the most powerful predator. The lion was a symbol of royalty from early on. The animal-especially the female-also embodied a number of deities.







