

6 Franklin Street  
Annapolis  
Private

c.1903-08

6 Franklin Street is a two and one-half story, rectangular plan 30' x 40' residence with a sweeping gable roof that is intersected by a large pedimented gable at the front elevation. The cross gable has a half-round casement in the attic level, with three 1/1 sash below the horizontal cornice with paneled frieze that creates the pediment. The leading edge of the main gable roof is bell cast at the front elevation and extends beyond the front wall to cover a full width porch, supported on Tuscan columns with turned newel and square balusters. The first floor front facade has a triple window to the right of the transom lit entrance, the window consisting of casements with diagonal mullions at either side of a 1/1 double hung sash. There is a one story breakfront at the north bay of the right side elevation, with three 1/1 windows, and a later c.1940s two story porch addition at the south part of this facade. The second floor of both side elevations has 1/1 sash, with a single 1/1 window at the attic level. There is also a garage at the rear of the property, of no architectural importance.

Survey No. AA 1768

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DOE \_\_\_yes \_\_\_no

# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common

## 2. Location

street & number 6 Franklin Street \_\_\_ not for publication

city, town Annapolis \_\_\_ vicinity of 30th Congressional district

state Maryland county Anne Arundel

## 3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

## 4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name James J. & Edith K. Rivers

street & number 6 Franklin St. telephone no.:

city, town Annapolis state and zip code MD 21401

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Anne Arundel Cty Courthouse liber

street & number Church Circle folio

city, town Annapolis, MD 21401 state

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title Historic Annapolis, Inc.

date Sept. 1983 \_\_\_ federal \_\_\_ state \_\_\_ county \_\_\_ local

pository for survey records 194 Prince George

city, town Annapolis state MD

# 7. Description

Survey No. AA-1768

<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved    date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

A two and one-half story frame Colonial Revival cottage style residence with a bell-cast, sweeping gable roof dormer, 6 Franklin Street is rectangular in plan, 30' x 40', and is set back from the sidewalk, on an elevated landscaped lawn that is contained by rubble walls along Franklin Street and Cheston Avenue. The gable roof (ridge parallel to Franklin Street) extends over a full width, one bay deep porch.

There is a one story three part window bay in the first bay of the right end wall and a later two story porch at the last bay, infilled at the first floor with clapboarded walls, screened at the second level. The addition has a standing seam hipped roof, and based on map research was constructed c1920, infilled post 1950. There is a one story garage at the rear of the lot of no significance.

The residence is the first of a row of two to two and one-half story structures with common setbacks and massing. The contiguous area is entirely residential and forms a cohesive, well-maintained neighborhood of special importance.

The bell cast leading edge of the front roof is supported by four Tuscan columns and a full entablature--the porch hand rail is molded, the balusters square and a newel at the stair rail has a massive ball finial. The first floor facade, under the porch, has a transom lit entrance in the left bay, a tripartite double hung window in the right, the flanking windows having diamond pattern upper sash, the larger central unit 25/1. Both openings are framed with flat casings with molded backbands. The entire first floor is clapboard, the second and attic levels of the gable end walls and the front dormer are shingle. The pedimented front dormer has three 1/1 D.H. sash at the second level and a half-round pivoting casement in the gable. The cornice and rake boards are molded, with flat fascias, repeated at the end walls where the cornice returns at the porch.

The first level of the left end wall has a small diamond pane sash in the first bay, set high in the wall to light the interior stair, an entrance with open stair and platform at the center bay, and paired 1/1 sash in the third bay. The second level has a 1/1 sash in the right bay, a shorter 1/1 sash aligned to light the stair landing and paired 1/1 sash at the rear. The gable has a centered 1/1 sash. The right end wall has the three part projecting bay at the left with three 1/1 sash, the bay with a hipped roof. The two story porch at the rear of the elevation has a triple window, with 9/1 sash at the first floor, a door and a single 1/1 window at the second floor, with two 1/1 windows to the left. The attic level of the gable

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has a 1/1 window. The rear elevation has a shed roof screened porch at the left half, with a 1/1 centered window in the rear wall of the first floor. The right half of the rear section has a one bay one story ell, probably the original rear entrance porch--it now has paired 1/1 sash, with three 1/1 windows arranged across the second floor. A smaller rear gabled dormer has four small 1/1 windows.

The plan of 6 Franklin has a stair in the main hall that opens off the entrance in the left bay--the stair has two risers perpendicular to the end wall to a landing, with a thin turned newel, then turns and runs parallel to the end wall for 9 risers to the second floor. The stair has an open stringer, turned balusters and a molded rail. The living room is located to the right of the entrance, served by a double width arched opening (without doors.) The room is lit by the three part projecting bay and is connected to the dining room to the rear by an opening with a single pocket door. The living room has a diagonal fireplace in the east corner, with a later surround. The dining room has an excellent cast plaster Adam ceiling medallion. All floors are hardwood, all doors five horizontal panels and all door and window casings beaded at both edges, with mitered edges without corner blocks. The kitchen and lavette are modern.

The second floor has three bedrooms and a full bath, the attic level two bedrooms.

# 8. Significance

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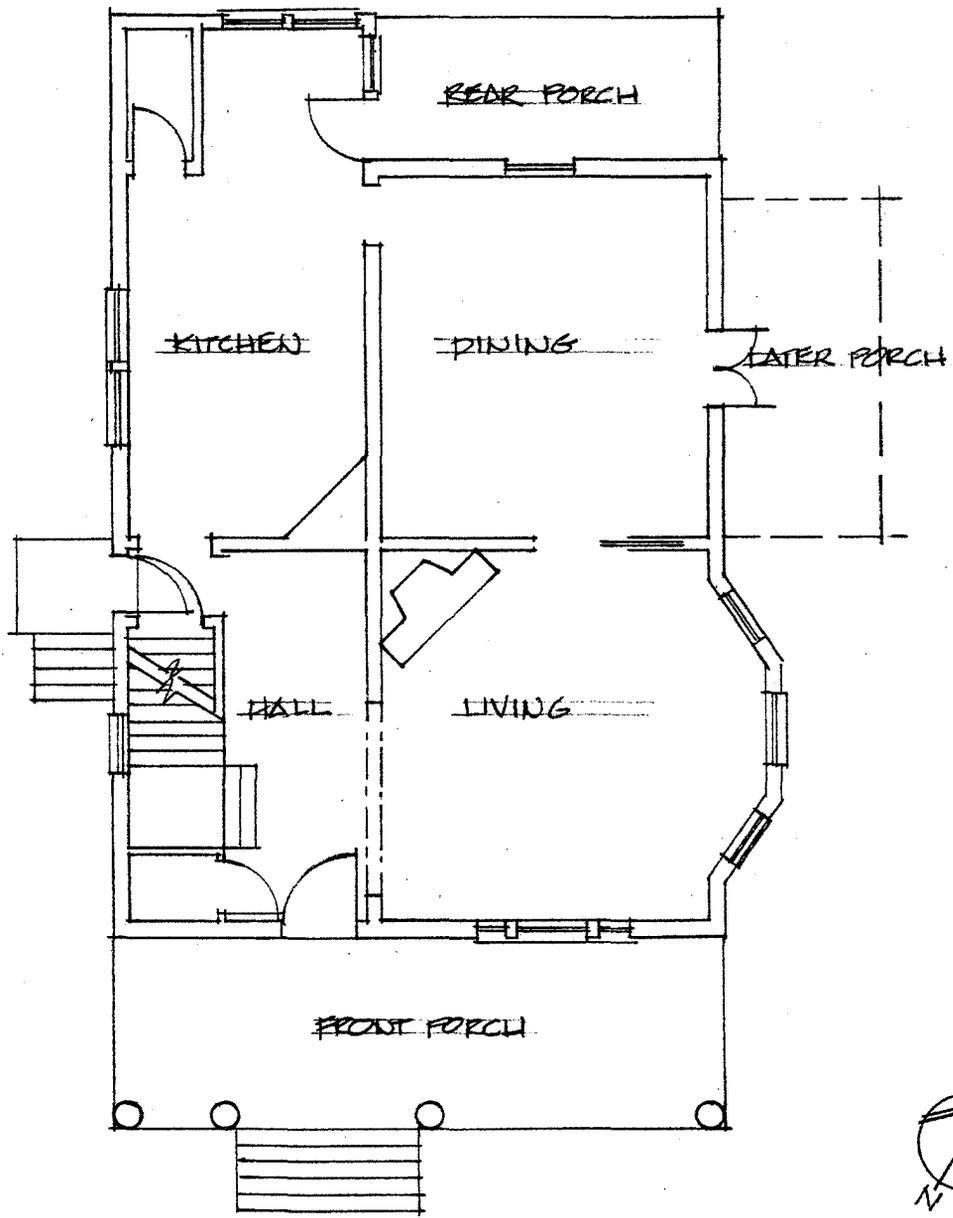
Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
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		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates	Builder/Architect
check: Applicable Criteria: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D and/or	
Applicable Exception: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/> E <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> G	
Level of Significance: <input type="checkbox"/> national <input type="checkbox"/> state <input type="checkbox"/> local	

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

6 Franklin Street was constructed between 1904 and 1907 by John Walton on a site recorded as Block A, Lot 6 of Melvin's 1890 plat of Murray Hill. The Colonial Revival influences residence is significant because of its role in the Early 19thC development of this section of the Historic District and because of its exemplary design and details for its period. Detailing and use of materials is on a par with the basic mass and overall form of this interesting building type with its sweeping bell cast gable roof and pedimented massive dormer and the inset full width front porch. The pivotal structure terminates Franklin Street at Spa Creek and sets the scale, building siting and visual character of the surrounding area.





6 FRANKLIN STREET AA 1768  
ANAPOLIS HISTORIC DISTRICT  
1/8" = 1'0" RW 10/83

DATA SHEET: ARCHITECTURAL SURVEY

Site: 6 Franklin Street

Tax Map 29 parcel 265

Deed Reference (current/82): 2530:577

Fabric:  
Height:  
Outbuildings:

Beard Lot # (if known):  
Stoddert Lot #: N/A  
property owner at time of Stodert survey:

1798 Federal Direct Tax:

Appears on:	
Sachse print (1860)	---
Hopkins Atlas (1878)	---
1885 Sanborn	---
1891 Sanborn	---
1897 Sanborn	---
1903 Sanborn	---
1908 Sanborn	---
1913 Sanborn	<u>x</u>
1921 Sanborn	<u>x</u>
1930 Sanborn	---
Other	---

Specify \_\_\_\_\_

Chancery or Equity Cases:

Real Estate Advertisements:

Plats:

Inventories of improved premises:

first owner of improved property:

Date of construction:

Notes:

Chain of Title:

Patents Q:117	(1658)	Richard Acton patents original grant of 100 acres as Acton.
Deeds WT2:553	(1707)	Samuel Norwood buys Acton.
Rent Roll 16:6,43	(1753)	Philip Hammond owns Acton.
Wills 31:92	(1760)	Philip Hammond devises Acton to his six sons.
Rent Ro-1 16:6,43	(1764)	Charles Hammond to John Hammond
Rent Roll 16:6,43	(1765)	Philip & Charles Hammond to John Hammond.
Deeds BB:804	(1768)	Denton Hammond to John Hammond.
Deeds IB3:274	(1772)	Rezin Hammond to John Hammond
Deeds IB3:207	(1772)	Mathias Hammond to John Hammond.
Patents IB&C:172	(1785)	William Hammond of John: resurvey of Acton as 'Plains of Annapolis'; found to contain 250½ acres.
Chancery Ct. 68:697	(1807)	Will of William Hammond requests that executors sell property to pay debts & distribute balance \$ to heirs
"	(1808)	Basil Brown, trustee sold dwelling plantation & 100 acres of Plains of Annapolis (Acton) to Robert Welch of Ben, who transferred rights to Lewis Duvall
"	(1809)	Sale confirmed by court.
Patents IB&D:254	(1815)	Lewis Duvall patent for Plains of Annapolis.
Patents 156:531	(1816)	Lewis Duvall, survey for Greenfield (including Plains of Annapolis).
Patents 155:588	(1817)	Lewis Duvall, patent for Greenfield, 344 acres (includes tract of Plains of Annapolis).
Deeds WSG21:224	(7/23/1836)	Louis Gassoway, trustee to James Murray By chancery Ct. decree (10/8/1831), Gassoway sold Duvall property on 12/8/31 to Gabriel Duvall, who assigned rights to James Murray sale of 323 acres ratified 3/5/1832.
Equity Records	(1867)	Division of property of James Murray, died intestate 4/20/1866, leaving Greenfield (dwelling house & 120 acres) & other property. Division as dower & five portions to children. Decree 1/25/1868 awarded Franklin St. properties as part of portion of daughter Charlotte Murray Steele
Deeds SH46:203	(2/21/1894)	Nevett and Anna Steele, Charlotte & James Cheston, and John & Gertrude Steele to Elizabeth Stevenson (as heirs Charlotte Murray Steele)
Deeds GW39:149	(11/2/1904)	Elizabeth Stevenson to William & Jennie Woodward lots 6,5,4 and part of 3 on Melvin's plat of Murray Hill
Deeds GW67:62	(11/10/1908)	Nevett & Anna Steele, Charlotte & James Cheston, and John & Gertrude Steele to Charles & Robert Fenton lots 8, 10, 12, & 14 on Melvin's plat of Murray Hill
Deeds GW51:294	(1/9/1907)	William and Jennie Woodward to John J. Walton lots 6, 5, 4, and part of 3
Deeds GW 57:443	(1/22/1908)	John and Edna Walton to Horace & Geneva Fenton part of lots 6, 5, 4, and part of 3

Chain of Title (6 Franklin Street, cont.):

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Deeds	GW92:408	(12/9/1912)	Charles Fenton to Horace J. Fenton lots 8, 10, 12, & 14
Deeds	GW109:220	(7/31/1914)	Robert H. Fenton to Horace & Geneva Fenton lots 8, 10, 12, & 14
Deeds	WNW110:329	(6/15/1925)	Horace & Geneva Fenton to Marion and Dorothy Eason lots 5, 6, 8 and part of 4
Deeds	JHH210:199	(12/19/1939)	George E. Rullman, assignee to County Corporation of Maryland by virtue equity #7903, default of Eason mortgage lots 5, 6, 8 and part of 4
Deeds	JHH270:304	(11/4/1942)	County Corporation of Maryland to County Trust Co.
Deeds	JHH600:276	(11/6/1950)	County Trust Co. of Maryland; S. Edwin & Marie C. James to Jacob & Gertrude Levin #6 Franklin Street
Deeds	2530:577	(10/13/1972)	Gertrude Levin, widow to James & Edith Rivers, Jr.

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 SHAW HOUSE  
 ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401

HISTORIC SITES SURVEY FIELD SHEET  
 Individual Structure Survey Form

SURVEY NUMBER: <u>AA 1768</u>
NEGATIVE FILE NUMBER:
UTM REFERENCES: Zone/Easting/Northing
U.S.G.S. QUAD. MAP:
PRESENT FORMAL NAME:
ORIGINAL FORMAL NAME:
PRESENT USE: SF Res
ORIGINAL USE: SF Res
ARCHITECT/ENGINEER:
BUILDER/CONTRACTOR:
PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE: Excellent (X) Good ( ) Fair ( ) Poor: ( )
THEME:
STYLE: Colonial Revival Cottage
DATE BUILT: 1908

COUNTY: Anne Arundel
TOWN: Annapolis
LOCATION: 6 Franklin Street
COMMON NAME:
FUNCTIONAL TYPE: Res Map29 Par 265
OWNER: James J. & Edith K. Rivers
ADDRESS: 6 Franklin Street Annapolis, MD 21401
ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Yes ( ) No ( ) Restricted ( )
LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE: Local ( ) State (✓) National ( ) <input checked="" type="radio"/>

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

Structural System

- Foundation: Stone ( ) Brick (X) Concrete ( ) Concrete Block ( )
- Wall Structure
  - Wood Frame: Post and Beam ( ) Balloon (X)
  - Wood Bearing Masonry: Brick ( ) Stone ( ) Concrete ( ) Concrete Block ( )
  - Iron ( ) D. Steel ( ) E. Other:
- Wall Covering: Clapboard (X) Board and Batten ( ) Wood Shingle (X) Shiplap ( )  
 Novelty ( ) Stucco ( ) Sheet Metal ( ) Aluminum ( ) Asphalt Shingle ( )  
 Brick Veneer ( ) Stone Veneer ( ) Asbestos Shingle ( )  
 Bonding Pattern: Other:
- Roof Structure
  - Truss: Wood (X) Iron ( ) Steel ( ) Concrete ( )
  - Other:
- Roof Covering: Slate ( ) Wood Shingle ( ) Asphalt Shingle (X) Sheet Metal ( )  
 Built Up ( ) Rolled ( ) Tile ( ) Other:
- Engineering Structure:
- Other: Built-in Cross

Appendages: Porches (X) Towers ( ) Cupolas ( ) Dormers (X) Chimneys ( ) Sheds ( ) Ells (X)  
 Wings ( ) Other:

Roof Style: Gable (X) Hip ( ) Shed ( ) Flat ( ) Mansard ( ) Gambrel ( ) Jerkinhead ( )  
 Saw Tooth ( ) With Monitor ( ) With Bellcast (X) With Parapet ( ) With False Front ( )  
 Other:

Number of Stories: 2 1/2  
 Number of Bays: 2  
 Approximate Dimensions: 30 x 40

Entrance Location: Left

THREAT TO STRUCTURE: No Threat (X) Zoning ( ) Roads ( ) Development ( ) Deterioration ( ) Alteration ( ) Other:	LOCAL ATTITUDES: Positive ( ) Negative ( ) Mixed ( ) Other:
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ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL OR STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:

Massive cross gable with full pediment at street elevation, heavy molded cornice, lunette window in gable, three 1/1 sash below, resting on bell cast lower section of main gable roof (parallel to street) that extends full width over the street facade to protect porch; porch supported on turned Tuscan columns below full architrave; paired sash at first floor to right of transom lit entrance; projecting one-story bay window at front of right elevation with later two-story porch at rear. Shingle second floor and dormer over clapboard first floor.

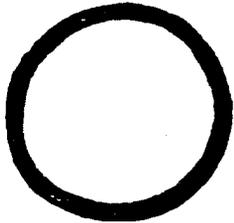
RELATED STRUCTURES: (Describe)

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Excellent Colonial Revival cottage from residence with exemplary use of materials, occupying important corner location. Sets the scale of the streetscape.

REFERENCES:

MAP: (Indicate North In Circle)



SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:

- Open Lane( ) Woodland( ) Scattered Buildings( )
- Moderately Built Up(✓) Densely-Built Up( )
- Residential( ) Commercial( )
- Agricultural( ) Industrial( )
- Roadside Strip Development( )
- Other:

RECORDED BY:

Russell Wright

ORGANIZATION:

Historic Annapolis, Inc

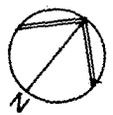
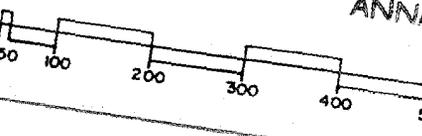
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SCALE IN FEET





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