

CAPSULE SUMMARY

Tilton House 9 Maryland Avenue (AA-621)

The building at 9 Maryland Avenue was constructed in circa 1760 for Thomas Rutland as rental property. Conveyed upon completion, the dwelling was the home of tenant Bennett Chew for over twenty-five years prior to being sold by Thomas Staines of Philadelphia to the Honorable John Rogers, Chancellor of Maryland. It was purchased in 1827 by renowned equity lawyer, Thomas S. Alexander, who conveyed it to Naval Commander Edward G. Tilton in 1840. The Tilton family occupied the dwelling for just under eighty years. The two-story, four-bay brick dwelling, which sits upon a high stone foundation and has walls laid in header bond, embodies the characteristics of 18th century Annapolis building tradition and survives as a significant example of a less grand and lesser known urban Annapolis estate.

The dwelling has been repeatedly identified as the Loockerman-Tilton House; however, no archival documentation has been discovered that substantiates that claim. The dwelling has no known association with the Loockerman family.

Located at 9 Maryland Avenue between King George Street and the Naval Academy, the building is elevated upon a high stone foundation with a watertable and galleting, and is covered with a steeply pitched gable roof with massive brick end chimneys. The facade wall, fronting Maryland Avenue, is four bays wide and is laid in header bond. The side and rear walls are laid in English bond, with randomly glazed headers scattered across the wall surface. The gable roof is clad with asphalt shingles.

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Inventory No. AA-621

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1. Name of Property

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historic name Tilton House

common/other name Loockerman-Tilton House (erroneous)

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2. Location

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street & number 9-9A Maryland Avenue not for publication _____
city or town Annapolis vicinity _____ state Maryland code MD
county Anne Arundel code 003 zip code 21401

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3. State/Federal Agency Certification N/A

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4. National Park Service Certification N/A

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5. Classification

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Ownership of Property (Check all that apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property (Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property

Contributing		Noncontributing		
<u>1</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	buildings
<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	sites
<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	structures
<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	objects
<u>1</u>	<u> </u>	<u>0</u>	<u> </u>	Total

Is this property listed in the National Register?

Yes Name of Listing Annapolis Historic District

No

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6. Function or Use
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Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: Domestic Sub: Single Dwelling

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: Domestic Sub: Single Dwelling
Commerce/Trade Business Office

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7. Description
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Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

Colonial

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

foundation Stone and Brick
roof Gable: Asphalt Shingles
walls Brick: Header Bond
other Brick: English Bond

Narrative Description (Describe the historic and current condition of the property.)

See Continuation Sheet No. 7-1

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8. Statement of Significance
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Applicable National Register Criteria (Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations (Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

- A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B removed from its original location.
- C a birthplace or a grave.
- D a cemetery.
- E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F a commemorative property.
- G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

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Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions)

Architecture

Period of Significance circa 1760

Significant Dates circa 1760

Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

Cultural Affiliation Undefined

Architect/Builder Unknown

Narrative Statement of Significance (Explain the significance of the property.)

See Continuation Sheet No. 8-1

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9. Major Bibliographical References
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(Cite the books, articles, legal records, and other sources used in preparing this form.)

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10. Geographical Data
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Acreage of Property Less than one acre

Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property.)

The building at 9-9A Maryland Avenue is located on Parcel 1378 as designated on Tax Map 4-6.

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected.)

The building has been historically associated with Parcel 1378 since the building's construction in circa 1760.

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11. Form Prepared By
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organization Traceries date June 17, 1996
street & number 5420 Western Avenue telephone 301/656-5283
city or town Chevy Chase state MD zip code 20815
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12. Property Owner
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name P.J. and Elaine P. Underwood
street & number 9-9A Maryland Avenue telephone _____
city or town Annapolis state MD zip code 21401
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The Tilton House, located at 9 Maryland Avenue between King George Street and the Naval Academy was built in circa 1760. Historically a freestanding building, the imposing structure is elevated upon a high stone foundation with a watertable and galleting, and is covered with a steeply pitched gable roof with massive brick end chimneys. The facade wall, fronting Maryland Avenue, is four bays wide and is laid in header bond, an 18th-century building tradition common to Annapolis. The side and rear walls are laid in English bond, with randomly glazed headers scattered across the wall surface. The gable roof is clad with asphalt shingles.

EXTERIOR DESCRIPTION:

The northwest facade of the dwelling facing Maryland Avenue is divided into four bays with the principal entry located in the second bay from the southwest. Ghosting in the brickwork around the entry and the window to its northeast indicates that a porch once framed these two central bays, and would have given the now-unbalanced facade, a more symmetrical appearance. According to maps, this porch was removed after 1954. However, square-edged replacement trim found around the two openings that would have been under the porch, suggests that the porch was not original, and that the openings were altered at that time.

The principal entry is located above the raised foundation and reached by contemporary wooden steps. The foundation level is lit by three segmentally arched openings and is separated from the first story by a brick watertable formed of stepped-out brick (not molded). The basement level opening to the south is larger and appears to have been filled with brick.

The entry is set within the brick walls with a segmental-arched brick surround with a gauged brick lintel. The door is set behind louvered shutters, flush with the brick wall surface, and was not visible at the time of survey. The surrounds are replacements, placed directly over the original. The original segmentally arched opening is visible above the present surround, just below the brick lintel.

The three first story window openings are all segmentally arched with header brick lintels and 9/9 sash with the original interior beaded surrounds. The window immediately to the east of the entry has replacement surrounds placed over the original. The second story windows, diminished in size, has 9/6 sash and interior beaded surrounds. Above the second story is the boxed wood cornice.

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The northeast elevation consists of a two-bay deep wall surface divided by a centrally placed exterior end chimney. The wall and chimney are laid in English bond above the raised stone foundation. The first and second stories of this wall have single segmental-arched windows in the front and rear bays; the first story windows have 6/9 sash, the second story windows have 4/4 sash. Two windows in the attic level, on either side of the chimney, similarly have 4/4 sash, though the openings are smaller.

The southwest elevation is similarly configured with a central, header bond chimney, but is attached by the 1-1/2-story hyphen connecting the house to the gambrel-roofed wing presently designated as 11 Maryland Avenue. The hyphen is recessed from the plane of the house, leaving the front bay of the southwest elevation exposed. This bay has one 6/9 window on the first story, a 4/4 in the second story, and a two-light basement level casement window.

The southeast garden elevation presents an imposing appearance. The English bond brick has a yellowish hue and the wall has an irregular fenestration pattern with four openings in the first story and three windows in the second story. Although the openings are equally spaced, the alternating rhythm of three and four bays gives this elevation an unbalanced appearance, further accentuated by the one-bay rear porch covering the second bay from the west.

The raised basement of this elevation is rubble stone and lit with 2/2 windows to either side of the porch and a cellar entrance located in the southwestern end. The window on the northeastern side of the porch is set at a lower level than the other and is located under a section of a wide segmental arch, part of which extends under the porch and appears to have been the top of a now-infilled opening. The cellar entrance is set within a segmental arch surround and has a gable roof over it. The wood and glass door with four lights over two panels is not original. The first story has three 9/9 windows set within segmental-arched surrounds and a door opening located in the second bay from the south. This bay is covered by a gable porch with a vernacular Gothic Revival quality to it that recalls the work of William Buckland. The porch is set upon a brick pier foundation and has attenuated, chamfered columns supporting the gable roof. The gable front is pedimented with a double-arched bottom edge made of segmental arches joined on center by a pendant. The balustrade and stair has square newel posts and square balusters. Although the porch recalls the work of William Buckland, who was working in Annapolis at the time of

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construction of this house, no archival evidence for such an attribution has been investigated or found. The garden entrance bay behind the porch is stuccoed and features an original (18th-century) eight-panelled wood door.

The second story of the garden facade has three 9/9 windows with the regular row of header bricks forming the lintel of the windows. Above the second story is the boxed wood cornice.

The hyphen connecting the house to the building next door at 11 Maryland Avenue is a 1-1/2-story brick structure with Flemish bond brick walls and a gambrel roof, clad with wood shingles. This hyphen, built after 1858, presently serves as an entry to the main building.

INTERIOR DESCRIPTION:

The interior plan of this 18th century dwelling deviates from the typical center hall arrangement and instead offers a four-room plan. The two front rooms are the largest and most formal rooms with chimney breast centered on the end walls. The present main entry opens directly into the northwest parlor with a double-wide opening in the central partition wall that leads to the northeast parlor. The two rear rooms include a contemporary kitchen with a corner fireplace to the southeast and a stair hall with a straight-flight stair located against the interior partition wall. A door on the end wall of this stair hall leads into the hyphen, which contains no historic detailing.

The interior inspection was cursory, and no notes or photos were allowed by the owners. However, based upon this brief inspection, it appears that the interior retains a high degree of integrity in terms of original materials and details.

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The building at 9 Maryland Avenue was constructed in circa 1760 for Thomas Rutland for use as rental property. Conveyed upon completion, the dwelling was the home of tenant Bennett Chew for over twenty-five years prior to being sold by Thomas Staines of Philadelphia to the Honorable John Rogers, Chancellor of Maryland. It was purchased in 1827 by renowned equity lawyer, Thomas S. Alexander, who conveyed it to Naval Commander Edward G. Tilton in 1840. The Tilton family occupied the dwelling for just under eighty years. The two-story, four-bay brick dwelling, which sits upon a high stone foundation and has walls laid in header bond, embodies the characteristics of 18th century Annapolis building tradition and survives as a significant example of a less grand and lesser known urban Annapolis estate. Originally the kitchen, the gambrel-roofed wing of the building was sold separately in the early part of the 20th century to serve as a single-family dwelling.

The dwelling has been repeatedly been identified as the Loockerman-Tilton House; however, no archival documentation has been discovered that substantiates that claim. The dwelling has not known association with the Loockerman family.

SITE HISTORY

The property on which the building at 15 Maryland Avenue is sited was historically associated with the Colonel McLane Tilton House at 9 Maryland Avenue. As early as 1742, the property has been documented to have been improved with a dwelling house. Designated as Parcel 25 on Lot A, the land was owned at that time by John Gale for 100 pounds. Inheriting the property by 1759, Elizabeth Gale Spong and her husband Francis conveyed a portion of the parcel to Nathan Hammond for just 35 pounds. The deed of sale recorded that Gale had occupied the site prior to his death in 1759.

BUILDING HISTORY

In 1760, Hammond sold the property to Thomas Rutland for 40 pounds currency. By 1771, Rutland had advertised in the *Maryland Gazette* that he wished to sell "a two-story brick house with stables, now occupied by Bennett Chew." Born in the 1750s, Thomas Rutland was a prominent Annapolis merchant and planter, who was also known as the builder of the *Willing Tom*, the only known ship to have been

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built in Annapolis during the Revolutionary War.¹

Thomas Rutland, known for living slightly beyond his means, began to erect the imposing dwelling at 9 Maryland Avenue as early as 1760. The 2-1/2 story, four bay wide, brick building has been estimated to have cost 2,230 pounds in Maryland currency to construct.² By the early part of the 1780s, Rutland was responsible for the construction of another one of Annapolis' major townhouses at 142-144 Prince George Street (AA-653).

The newly constructed building at 9 Maryland Avenue was purchased by then-tenant Bennett Chew. The 1783 Tax List of the Annapolis Hundred charged Chew with one acre of land, valued at 530 pounds.

Francis Spong had died by 1773 in Charles County, Maryland and his wife Elizabeth was made administrator of the estate. By 1779, Elizabeth had remarried and together with her new husband Thomas Staines of Philadelphia, PA, sued Bennett Chew for lack of payment for the Maryland Avenue property. The suit, which stated that the Staines wished to regain ownership of the land, continued until 1784. In November that same year, the courts found in favor of the Staines and Chew was forced to relinquish all rights to the property and the dwelling in which he had lived for almost twenty-five years.

One month after the verdict, the Staines conveyed the dwelling and its spacious lot to Patriot John Rogers for 1500 pounds. The Honorable Rogers, who served as Chancellor of Maryland from 1778 to 1789, died in 1789. In 1798, the Federal Direct Tax charged the Rogers Heirs with a two-story brick house with a brick kitchen and stables, occupied by William Kilty and valued at \$500. The Rogers heirs retained ownership of the dwelling at 9 Maryland Avenue until 1807, when it was conveyed to Catherine Latimer.

Latimer immediately conveyed the property to Benjamin Harwood, born in 1783. The young Harwood died by 1825 and Richard Harwood of Thomas and Henry Harwood were appointed to sell the land. It was purchased in 1827 by Thomas S. Alexander for \$1,970. According to

¹ Edward Papenfuse, *In Pursuit of Profit, The Annapolis Merchants in the Era of the American Revolution, 1763-1805*. (Baltimore, MD: The Johns Hopkins University Press, 1975), p. 16.

² Papenfuse, p. 18; the estimated cost was based on a circa 1772 date of construction.

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McIntire's *Annapolis Maryland Families*, Alexander was an attorney "who gained reputation as the greatest equity lawyer that the state ever produced." In addition, Alexander was the publisher of the *Maryland Chancery Practice* in 1839. He eventually relocated to Baltimore and later moved to New York City.³

Despite his success, Alexander did not comply with the original terms of the deed of sale and consequently it was voided. In 1829, Alexander repurchased the property. He retained ownership until 1840, when it was sold for \$2,500 to Edward G. Tilton.

Edward Gibson Tilton, born in 1806, was a Commander in the United States Navy. He lived in the dwelling at 9 Maryland Avenue with his large family until his death in 1861. Two years prior, in 1859, Tilton had transferred ownership to his wife Josephine Harwood Tilton. In 1867, Josephine subdivided the property, conveying the northwest corner at King George Street and Maryland Avenue to Dr. Thomas O. Walton, who proceeded to erect the present building at 15 Maryland Avenue (AA-624).

In 1876, Josephine Tilton was assessed for one lot measuring 100 feet by 132 feet on Maryland Avenue, valued at \$2,000, and one brick house, valued at \$3,000. By 1896, the value to the property had increased to \$3,500 and the dwelling was assessed at \$4,000.

Upon the death of Josephine Tilton in 1910, the heirs were unable to properly divided the estate although it had been occupied by Lieutenant Colonel McLane Tilton, eldest son of Edward Tilton, for many years. Consequently, it was sold in 1919 to James A. Walton, who immediately conveyed it to Robert L. Werntz. The deed of sale between Walton and Werntz indicated that the property was "for many years occupied as the home of the late Colonel McLane Tilton." Werntz founded the Naval Academy Preparatory School, which first operated in the building he owned at 142 Prince George Street (AA-653), prior to relocating in 1907 to the third floor of the Annapolis Opera House Building at 44-48 Maryland Avenue (AA-635). He resided with his family at 248 King George Street (AA-531) during this period.

By 1951, twenty years after the death of Werntz in 1931, the "Tilton Property," as it was known in the deeds, was conveyed to

³ Robert Harry McIntire, *Annapolis Maryland Families*, (Baltimore, MD: Gateway Press, Inc., 1979), p. 7.

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Reamer and Ellen Argo for \$17,000. The heirs of the Argos sold the dwelling in 1962 to P.J. and Elaine P. Underwood of Washington, D.C. Relocating to Annapolis, the Underwoods presently occupy the building. The original kitchen wing of the building was conveyed separately, creating a single-family dwelling at 11 Maryland Avenue. The upper floor of the main block of the building at 9 Maryland Avenue currently serve as the law offices of Mr. Underwood.

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HISTORIC CONTEXT:

Geographic Organization: Western Shore

Chronological/Development Period (s):

Rural Agrarian Intensification, 1680-1815
Agricultural-Industrial Transition, 1815-1870
Industrial/Urban Dominance, 1870-1930
Modern Period, 1930-present

Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme (s):

Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and
Community Planning

RESOURCE TYPE(S)

Category: Building

Historic Environment: Urban

Historic Function (s): Domestic/Single Dwelling
Commerce-Trade/Business Office

Known Design Source: Unknown

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Chain of Title for 9-9A Maryland Avenue:

- 1742: Isaiah and Mary Barnes to John Gales
 Provincial Court Deeds,
 Liber RB 1 Folio 168
- 1759: Francis Spong and daughter of John Gale,
 Elizabeth Gale Spong to Nathan Hammond
 Provincial Court Deeds,
 Liber BB 2 Folio 259
- 1760: Nathan Hammond to Thomas Rutland
 Provincial Court Deeds,
 Liber BB 2 Folio 336
- 1771: Thomas Rutland to Bennett Chew
 Provincial Court Deeds,
 Liber IB 3 Folio 197
- 1779: Thomas Staines, and former widow of
 Spong, Elizabeth Gale Spong Staines, sue
 Bennett Chew for rights to property
 Judgement for the Staines
 General Court Docket, May 1782, Folio 10
- December 1784: Thomas Staines, and former widow of
 Spong, Elizabeth Gale Spong Staines to
 John Rogers
 Provincial Court Deeds,
 Liber TBH 1 Folio 176
- April 15, 1807: William Kilty, trustee of estate of John
 Rogers, to Catherine Latimer
 Land Records of Anne Arundel County,
 Liber NH 15 Folio 149
- April 15, 1807: Catherine Latimer to Benjamin Harwood
 Land Records of Anne Arundel County,
 Liber NH 15 Folio 149

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June 13, 1829: Richard Harwood of Thomas and Henry Harwood, for the estate of Benjamin Harwood, to Thomas S. and Priscilla Alexander
Land Records of Anne Arundel County,
Liber WSG 14 Folio 444

March 15, 1840: Thomas S. and Priscilla Alexander to Edward G. Tilton
Land Records of Anne Arundel County,
Liber WSG 25 Folio 141

September 24, 1859: Edward G. Tilton to wife Josephine Tilton

January 9, 1919: Ridgely P. Melvin, Trustee, to James A. Walton
Equity Case: McLane Tilton versus brother John Tilton
Land Records of Anne Arundel County
Liber WNW 9 Folio 324

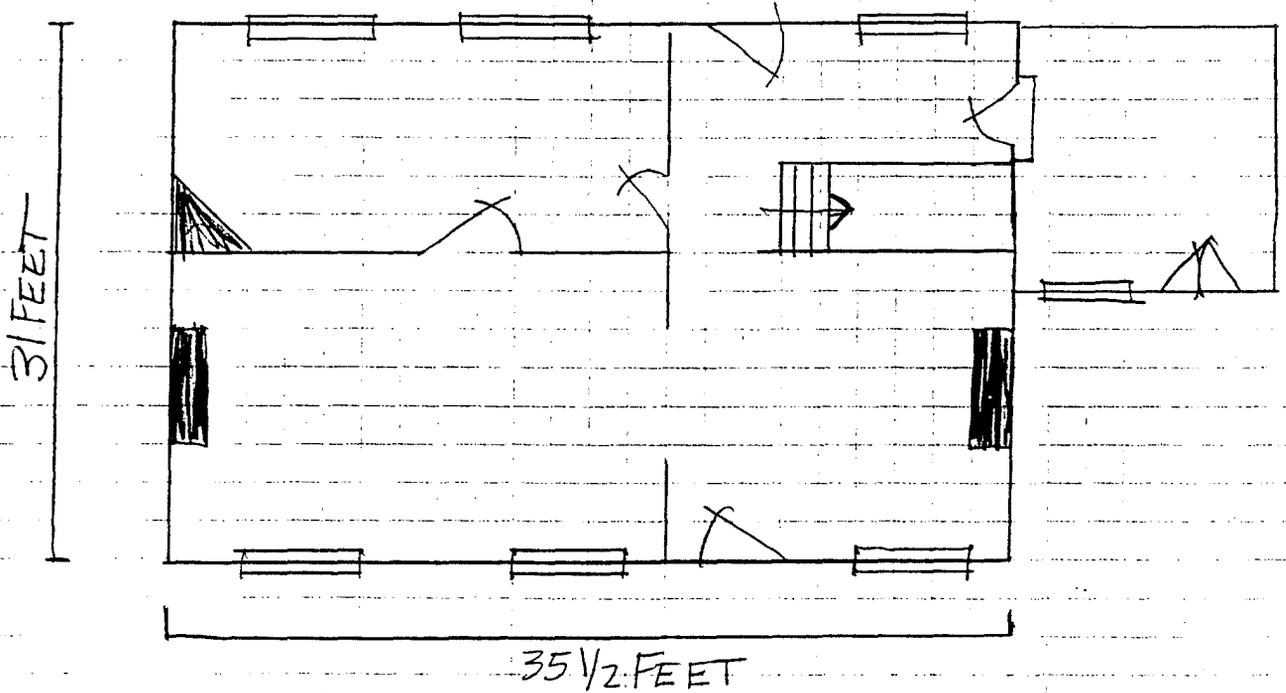
January 9, 1919: James A. Walton to Robert L. Werntz
Land Records of Anne Arundel County
Liber WNW 9 Folio 325

June 1, 1919: Robert L. Werntz to Helen Glenn Ellyson
Portion of the property with building
Land Records of Anne Arundel County
Liber WNW 15 Folio 3

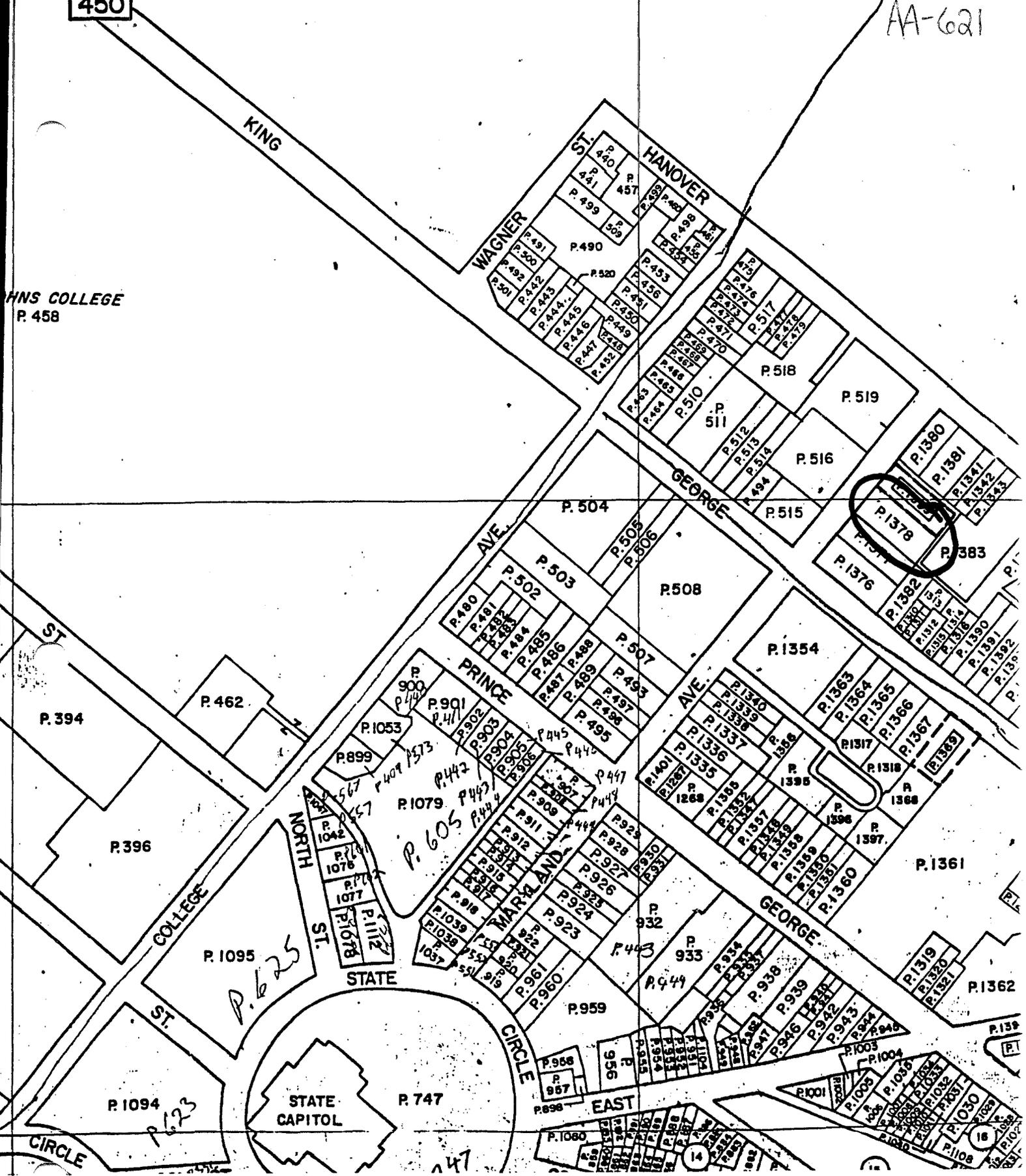
June 17, 1940: David S. Jenkins, substitute trustee for estate of Robert L. Werntz, to Reamer and Ellen Argo
Land Records of Anne Arundel County
Liber JHH 630 Folio 319

May 19, 1956: Reamer Argo devised to wife Ellen Argo
Estate Number 9256

March 8, 1962: Hannah P. Argo, Ellen Argo Johnson, Mendel Johnson, Reamer W. And Jane Argo, Jr., Marjorie Alice Argo Buss and Richard Buss, heirs of Ellen Argo, to P.J. and Elaine P. Underwood of Washington, D.C.
Land Records of Anne Arundel County
Liber GTC 1548 Folio 199



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MAP OF ANNAPOLIS, No.4-6
 Maryland Department of Assessments and Taxation
 1967; Revised 1991
 Scale 1" = 200'



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TRACERIES

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NW ELEVATION

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ANNAPOLIS, MD
TRACERIES

APRIL 1996

MD SHPO

NE ELEVATION

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ANNAPOLIS, MD

TRACERIES

APRIL 1996

MD SHPO

SE ELEVATION

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ANNAPOLIS, MD

TRALERIES

APRIL 1996

MD SHPO

NE ELEVATION, DETAIL OF BASEMENT
LEVEL OPENING

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ANNAPOLIS, MD

TRACERIES

APRIL 1996

MD SHPO

NE ELEVATION OF HYPHEN

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 21 STATE CIRCLE
 SHAW HOUSE
 ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401

HISTORIC SITES SURVEY FIELD SHEET
 Individual Structure Survey Form

SURVEY NUMBER: <u>AA 621</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: Georgian
DATE BUILT: c.1740

COUNTY: Anne Arundel
TOWN: Annapolis
LOCATION: 9 Maryland Avenue
COMMON NAME: Tilton House
FUNCTIONAL TYPE: Res Map 34 Par 118
OWNER: P. J. & E. P. Underwood
ADDRESS: 9 Maryland Avenue Annapolis, MD 21401
ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Yes (X) No () Restricted ()
LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE: Local () State () ^{HABS} National (X) <input checked="" type="radio"/>

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

Structural System

- Foundation: Stone(X) Brick(X) Concrete() Concrete Block()
- Wall Structure
 - Wood Frame: Post and Beam() Balloon()
 - Wood Bearing Masonry: Brick(X) Stone() Concrete() Concrete Block()
 - Iron() D. Steel() E. Other:
- Wall Covering: Clapboard() Board and Batten() Wood Shingle() Shiplap()
 Novelty() Stucco() Sheet Metal() Aluminum() Asphalt Shingle()
 Brick Veneer(X) Stone Veneer() Asbestos Shingle()
 Bonding Pattern: Header 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:

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

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

Number of Stories: 2
 Number of Bays: 5 x 3 Entrance Location: Centered
 Approximate Dimensions: 35 x 30

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:

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Excellent example of Georgian house at smaller scale, recently carefully restored; header bond front facade has elliptical arched windows at first floor, with elliptical paired door entrance, stone foundation with galleting, later stair (1967); massive end wall chimneys; simple wood cornice.

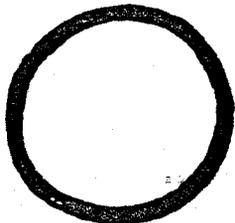
RELATED STRUCTURES: (Describe)

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Excellent smaller scale Georgian townhouse, critical to streetscape and important as a type. Good restoration 1967.

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:

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1. STATE Annapolis, Maryland COUNTY TOWN VICINITY STREET NO. 9 AA Maryland Avenue	HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY INVENTORY
ORIGINAL OWNER Thomas Rutland (?) ORIGINAL USE residence PRESENT OWNER J. P. Underwood PRESENT USE residence WALL CONSTRUCTION brick NO. OF STORIES two plus attic	2. NAME The Tilton House DATE OR PERIOD c. 1740 or 1750 STYLE Georgian ARCHITECT BUILDER
	3. FOR LIBRARY OF CONGRESS USE

4. NOTABLE FEATURES, HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND DESCRIPTION OPEN TO PUBLIC

The Tilton House, presently undergoing slight facial restoration, is a typical, though fine example of a Maryland Georgian house. The rather plain, unadorned facade is of header brick. The first storey windows are 9/9 and have elliptical brick arches; 2nd storey windows are 9/6 and extend almost to the simple wood cornice. The steep roof has no dormers and is framed by massive end chimneys. The house sits up on a 4' brick base. The wing attached to the Tilton House is an early 18th C. structure worthy of study and preservation in its own right. It is a gambrel roof structure with its chimney end to the street. (See 53 Cornhill, 45 Fleet, etc.) *[This wing is treated as separate structure, see AA-622.]*

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION AND PHOTOGRAPHS MAY BE ADDED ON SHEET OF SAME SIZE

5. PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE

good



6. LOCATION MAP (Plan Optional)

7. PHOTOGRAPH

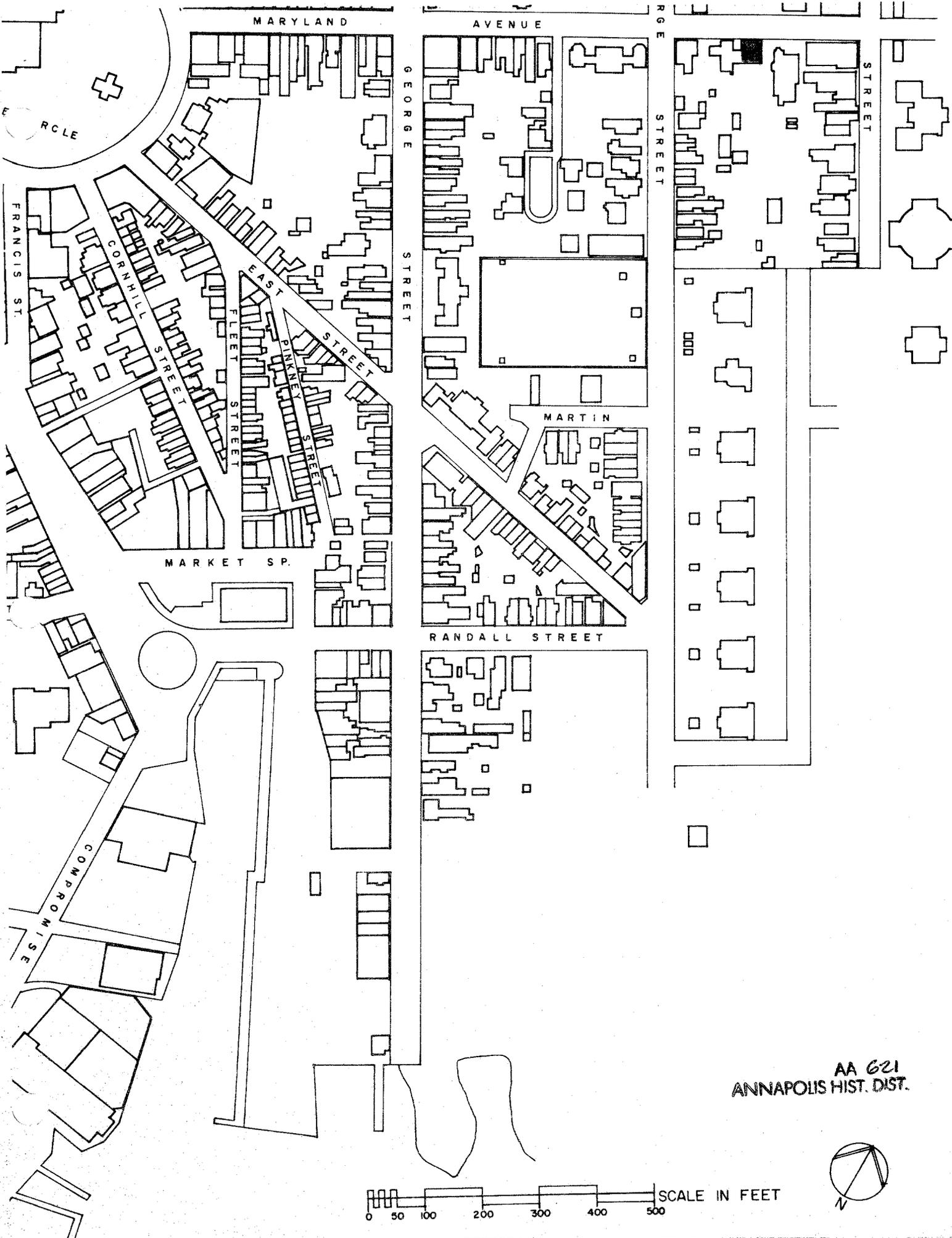
8. PUBLISHED SOURCES (Author, Title, Pages)
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MARYLAND

AVENUE

GEORGE STREET

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CORNHILL STREET

EAST STREET

FLEET STREET

PINKNEY STREET

MARKET SP.

MARTIN

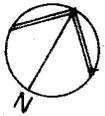
RANDALL STREET

FRANCIS ST.

COMPTON ST.

AA 621
ANNAPOLIS HIST. DIST.

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