

AREA: Financial District

MAGI NO.: 0412545731

Address: 40 South Street

Current Name: Town and Country Coffee Shop

Block: 662 Lot: 5

Lot size: 27' x 33'

Height: 4 stories

Materials: Brick

Condition: Good

Owner: William & Sophie Lericos

Use: Coffee Shop

Accessible: Yes

Designation: None

Liber/Folio: SEB 142-67



Historic Name: Clark Building

Date: c. 1920

Architect/Builder: J. Harry & F. J. Thurman

Style (if appropriate):

Description:

This four story high, three bay wide brick building has a first floor storefront with a central window and side entrances. Stone pilasters painted yellow flank the show window and is surmounted by an awning and stone fret work. The upper floor windows are slightly recessed. Three part windows with transoms are located at the central bay. The end windows are single panes with transoms. Corbelled brick work, circular brick designs and a small coping wall completes the facade. The interior of the coffee shop features a tin ceiling.

Significance:

Area: Architecture

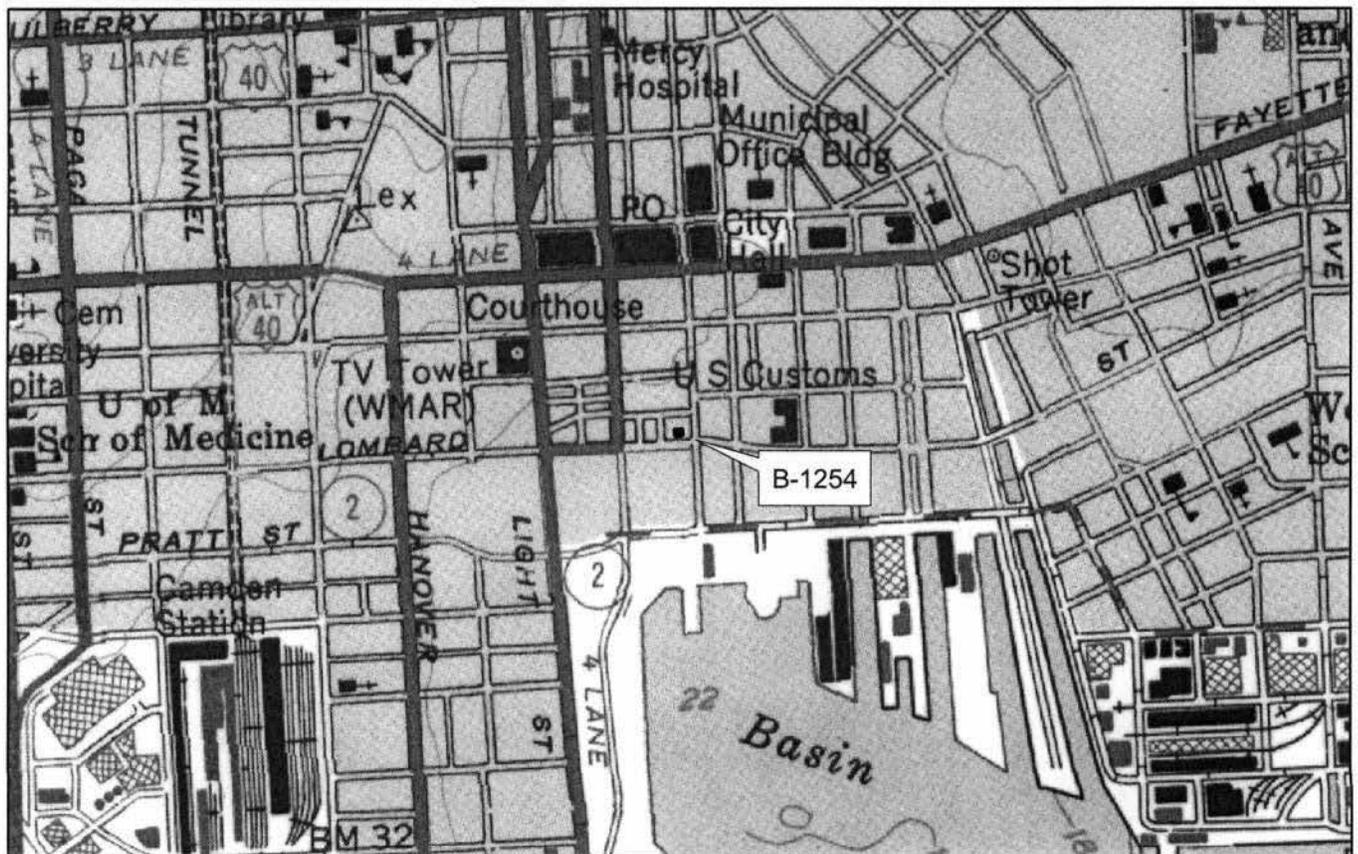
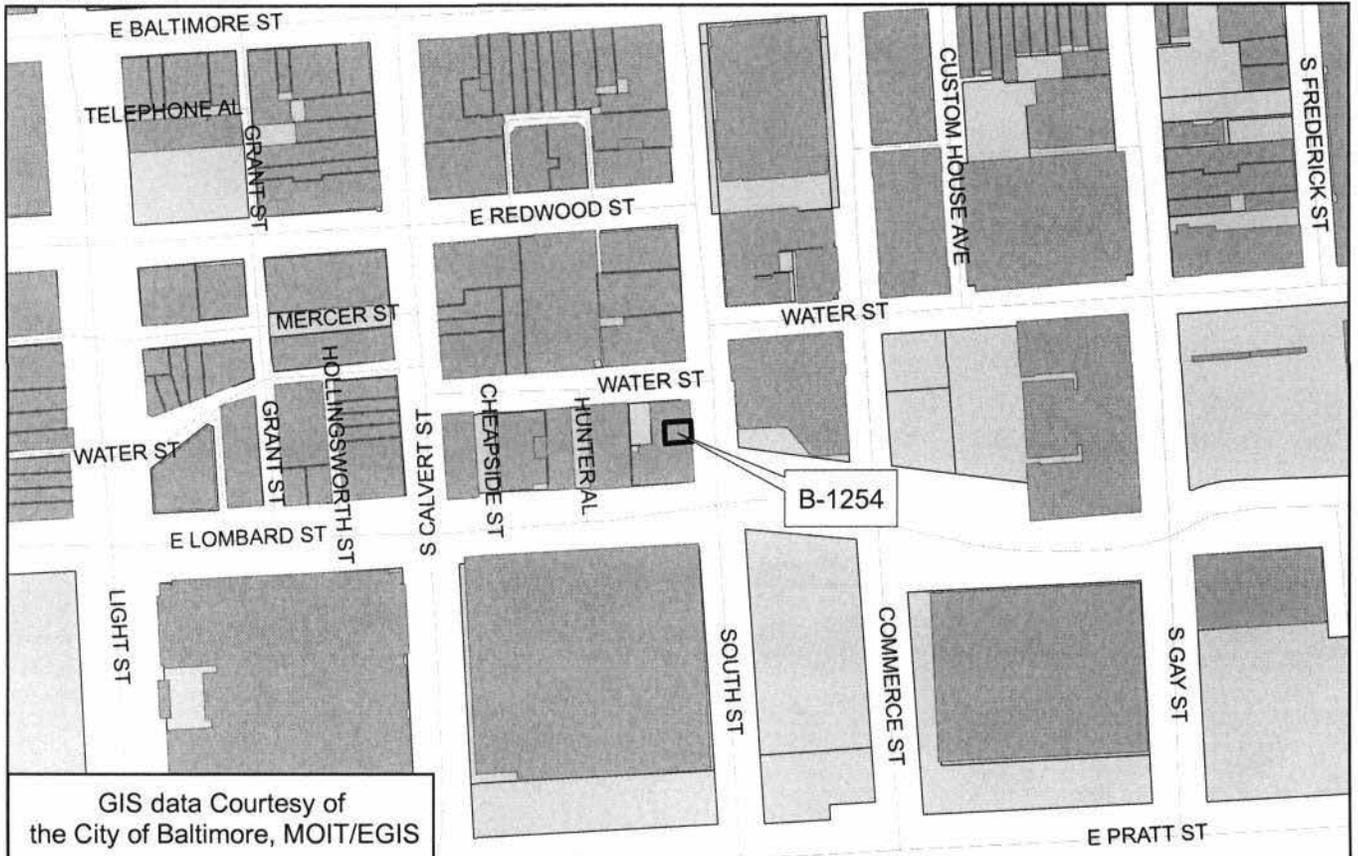
Level: Local

Although this structure was built for the J. Lindsay Clark Insurance Company, the plain design of this building is more in keeping with the industrial character of the port than the banking and financial aspects of most of the buildings on South Street. It is not an individually distinctive building and is overshadowed by the massive bank building just to the south. The building is located on one of the shallowest lots in the district. It houses an old-fashioned coffee shop of the type that is quickly vanishing from the Financial District.

Sources: Peale Museum Photograph MC 7076

Surveyor and Date: Fred B. Shoken, May 1985.

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Baltimore City
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Clark Building
40 South Street
Financial District-Metrocenter Survey
Baltimore (City), Maryland
Photo: Fred Shoken
Date: October 1983
Neg.loc.: Maryland Historical Trust
East elevation