

B-3429 - B-3432  
455-401 Grindall St. (South side)  
Baltimore, Md.  
Private access

c.1885-1908

The south side of the 400 block of Grindall St. is improved by several late nineteenth century groups of houses, and one group dating to 1907-1908. At 447-455 Grindall St. there is a row of two story, two bay wide brick houses with shed roofs and bracketed cornices built by William Dashields in the 1880's or early 1890's. Moving west, at 439-445 Grindall St. there is a similar row of two story, two bay wide late Victorian style brick houses, built by John E. Grindall in the early 1890's. Further west, at 409-419 Grindall St., there is a row of two story, two bay wide brown brick houses with shed roofs and simple sheet metal bracketed cornices, built in 1907-1908 by Walter Hampson. Finally, at 401-407 Grindall St., there is a row of two story, two bay wide brick houses with shed roofs and bracketed cornices, built by James F. Morgan in the late 1880's as part of his development of the adjoining sections of Riverside Ave.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

447-455 Grindall St.

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

— VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE	
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" 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 checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

— VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Records Office Room 601

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

Baltimore City Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

STATE

Maryland 21202

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL  STATE  COUNTY  LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

## 7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED(449,455)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED (rest)	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

### DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This row of five two story, two bay brick houses with shed roofs and sheet metal cornice was built as a unit in the 1890's as part of the development of the upper end of Grindall St. 447, 451, and 453 Grindall St. have been covered with formstone.

The houses are two stories in height, 11' wide, and occupy lots 70' deep. Each house is two rooms deep. 447 Grindall has a one story high, two bay deep rear addition; 449 and 453 Grindall have two story high, two bay deep additions; and 451 and 455 Grindall have two story high, three bay deep additions. The houses are constructed in running bond. The shed roof is capped by a continuous stamped sheet metal cornice, consisting of a deeply projecting crown molding set above a row of thick dentils bordered by a lower molding strip. Three brackets per house (the end brackets shared by adjoining houses) support the cornice and connect it to a lower molding strip, thus forming a brick freize. The end brackets (for the row) terminate at the upper edges in pointed "anthemions" with an embossed leaf decoration. Each house has a single chimney located at the east side of the front section of the house and a hooded rear end chimney located at the south end of the main house.

The door and window openings have segmentally arched brick lintels with solid wood tympanums. The sills are wood. All of the window openings at 447, 451, and 453 Grindall are filled with 1/1 double hung sash; those at 449 and 455 are filled with new 6/6 sash. The houses originally had Mission-style doors but today only 453 Grindall has the original door. 447, 449, and 455 Grindall have modern six panel doors and 451 Grindall has a modern flush door. Each doorway has a single light transom. The houses sit on high basements, the entrances being reached by four brick or stone steps each. The original wood steps remain only at 451 Grindall. Each house has a tall, rectangular basement opening located to the left of the steps. Each house originally had a door leading to the basement set below the street level beneath the main door.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY



**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 11' x 70' each

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

M.E. Hayward / Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

DATE

Maryland Historical Trust / Struever Bros. & Eccles4/79

STREET &amp; NUMBER

TELEPHONE

1745 Circle Rd.

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

RuxtonMaryland 21204

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

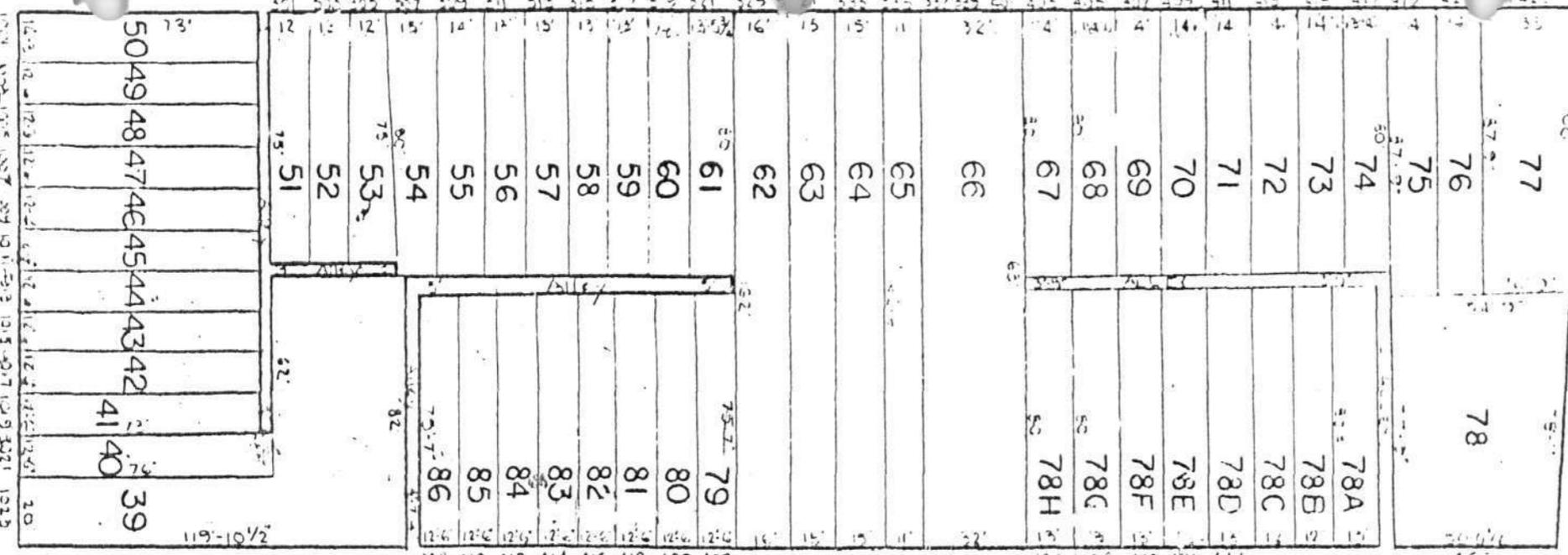
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Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
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SIDE ALLEY



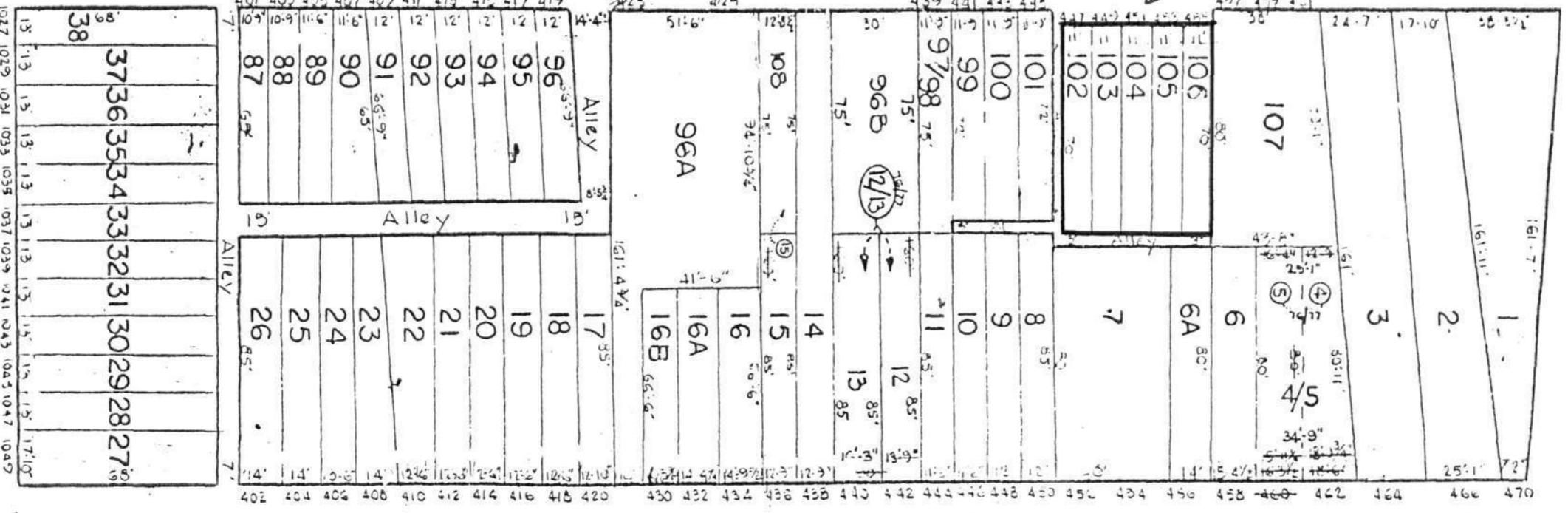
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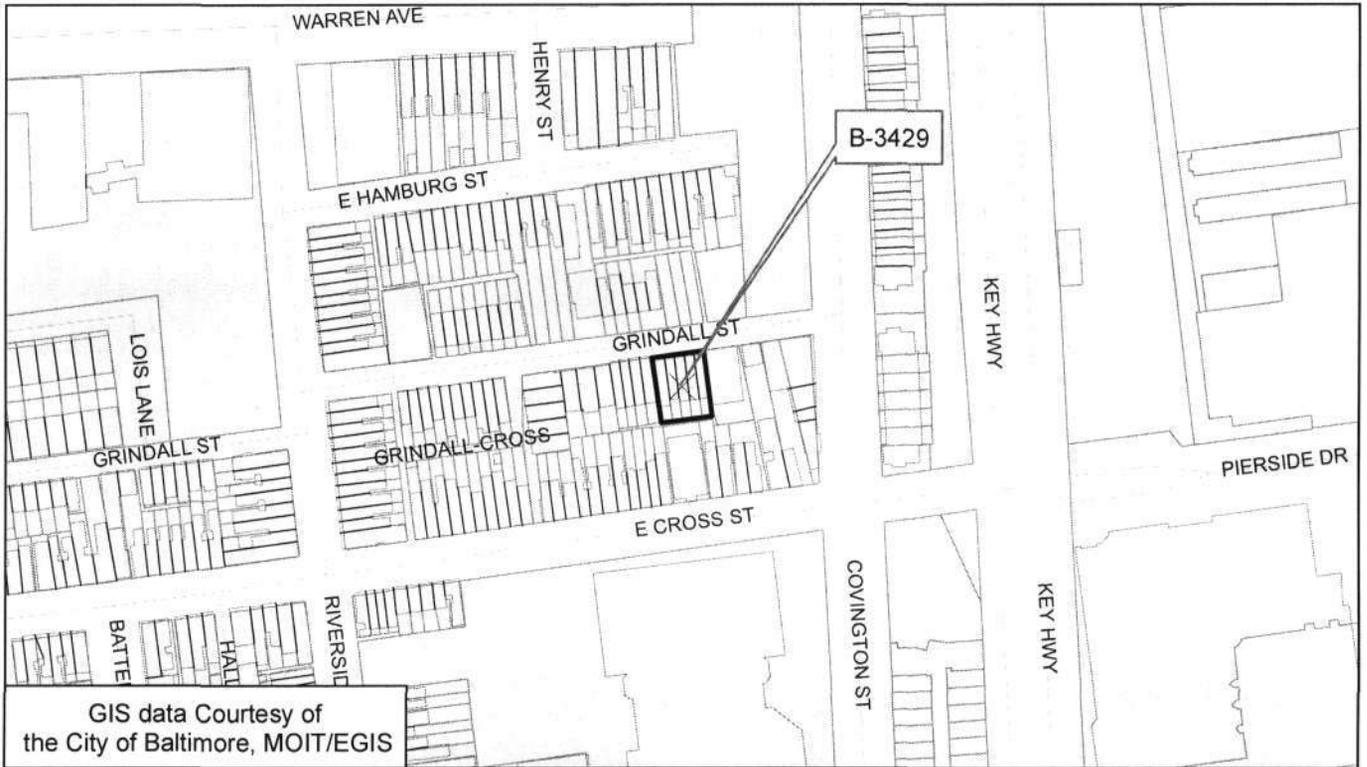
GRINDALL



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447-455 Grindall Street  
Block 1915 Lots 102-106  
Baltimore City  
Baltimore East Quad.





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447-455 Grindall St.

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North elevation



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453-455 Grindall St.

M.E.H.

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North elevation