

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
STATE REVIEW SHEET

B-4130

Historic Preservation Certification Application--Part I

Property: 713 SOUTH BOND STREET, BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

Historic District: FELLS POINT HISTORIC DISTRICT

6-30-86 date initial application received by State 7-23-86 date additional information requested by State

8-13-86 date complete information received by State

date of this transmittal to NPS
Inspection of property by State staff? no yes date: 7-23-86

- There is adequate documentation enclosed to evaluate the historic character and integrity of this property.
- There is insufficient documentation to evaluate the property adequately. The application is missing the following items: _____

Reasonable efforts, described below, have been made to obtain this information. Copies of the information requests are enclosed.

1	This property involves:	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Extensive loss of historic fabric	<input type="checkbox"/> Obscured or covered elevation(s)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Substantial alterations over time	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved property
	<input type="checkbox"/> Preliminary determination of listing for district	<input type="checkbox"/> State recommendation inconsistent with NR documentation
	<input type="checkbox"/> Preliminary determination of listing for individual property	<input type="checkbox"/> Recommendation different than the applicant's request
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DETERMINATION OF SIGNIFICANCE TO DISTRICT		

Complete one section below as appropriate.

(1) The property contributes does not contribute to the historic significance of this district in:

location design setting materials workmanship feeling and association

Property is mentioned in the NR documentation in Section _____, page _____.

(2) For properties less than 50 years old:

the historical merits of the district (the periods and areas of significance) are documented in the National Register nomination form or district documentation on file as less than 50 years old, justifying the certification of this property's contribution.

the strong historical or architectural merit of this property as described in the National Register nomination form or district documentation on file justifies its certification as contributing.

there is insufficient justification to consider this property contributing to the district on the basis of its individual architectural or historical merits or the significance of the district does not extend up to and including the latest 50 year period.

Briefly explain how Standard (3) applies to this property's individual merits or its significance in relationship to the significant qualities and characteristics of the district.

(3) For preliminary determinations:

A. The status of the nomination for the property/historic district:

Nomination has already been submitted to State review board, and if reviewed by the board, nomination will be forwarded to the NPS within a reasonable period of time. (Draft nomination is enclosed.)

Nomination was submitted to the NPS on _____.

Nomination will be submitted to the State review board within twelve months.

Nomination process likely will be completed within thirty months.

Other; explain: _____

B. Evaluation of the property:

Property is individually eligible and meets National Register Criteria for Evaluation

Property is located within a potential registered district that meets National Register Criteria for Evaluation

A B C D Exceptions:

(4) The property is located in a registered district, is outside the period(s) and/or area(s) of significance as documented in the NR nomination and:

appears to contribute to the expanded significance of the district. Enclosed is the revised nomination documentation.

does not appear to contribute to the period(s) and/or area(s) of significance of the district.

Complete sections below for all properties:

3 Description of district including the period(s) and area(s) of significance as described in the National Register documentation or documentation on file (except for preliminary determination of individual listing). FELLS POINT IS A HARBORSIDE RESIDENTIAL AND LIGHT INDUSTRIAL COMMUNITY THAT ENCOMPASSES PROX. 75 ACRES IN THE EASTERN SECTION OF THE CITY OF BALTIMORE. IT CONSISTS OF SMALL TWO AND ONE HALF STORY HOUSES WHICH WERE THE HOMES OF SEAMAN, SHIP CARPENTERS, SAILMAKERS, AND OTHER ARTISANS INVOLVED IN PORT ACTIVITIES OF THE AREA. THERE ARE OCCASIONAL LARGER, MORE ELABORATE THREE AND ONE HALF STORY HOUSES WHICH WERE THE HOMES OF SHIP YARD OWNERS, PROSPEROUS MERCHANTS AND SEA CAPTAINS. MOST OF THE APPROXIMATELY 475 HOUSES WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THIS DISTRICT WERE BUILT IN THE 18TH AND VERY EARLY 19TH CENTURIES

Period(s) of significance: 18TH AND EARLY 19TH Section 1, page 2.

Description of the property documenting current condition.

SEE ATTACHED.

Retains sufficient integrity? Yes No THIS PROPERTY IS SIGNIFKANT BECAUSE IT'S PRESENCE STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE OF THE PROPERTY IN THE STREET SCAPE CONTRIBUTES TO A SENSE OF TIME AND PLACE AND ILLUSTRATES ARCHITECTURAL FEATURES TYPICAL OF THE FELLS POINT HISTORIC DISTRICT, EVEN THOUGH A LARGE PORTION OF THE HISTORIC BUILDING FABRIC NO LONGER EXISTS, THE FEATURES THAT REMAIN, ARE STRONG ENOUGH TO STAND ON THEIR OWN MERIT.

4 State Official Recommendations:

This application for the above-named property has been reviewed by MICHAEL DAY a professionally qualified architect, architectural historian, or historian on my staff.

The property is included within the boundaries of a registered historic district, contributes to the significance of the district, and is a "certified historic structure" for the purpose of rehabilitation.

The property is included within the boundaries of a registered historic district, contributes to the significance of the district, and is a "certified historic structure" for a charitable contribution for conservation purposed in accordance with the Tax Treatment Extension Act of 1980.

The property does not contribute to the significance of the above-named district.

The property appears to meet the National Register Criteria for Evaluation and will likely be nominated.

The property does not appear to meet the National Register Criteria for Evaluation and will not be nominated.

The property appears to contribute to the significance of a:

potential historic district which appears to meet the National Register Criteria For Evaluation and will likely be nominated.

registered historic district but is outside the period(s) and area(s) of significance as documented in the National Register nomination or district documentation on file with the NPS. Revised nomination or district documentation is enclosed.

The property should be denied a preliminary determination that it could qualify as a certified historic structure.

Insufficient documentation has been provided to evaluate the structure.

Detailed NPS review recommended Precedent setting case Forwarded without recommendation

Date: 8-21-86

State Official Signature: 

PART I - DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

This structure is a 2½ story brick rowhouse built around 1790. The brick pattern is flemish bond with a decorative brick watertable. The first floor facade was converted to a simple storefront at some time which consisted of converting one window into a second door and making a display window out of the other. The brick was cleaned and repointed by the previous owners and the segmental arches were replaced at an unknown time. All of the above mentioned items are in repairable condition. The rear of the structure had an ell which was structurally unsound and removed by the previous owners. The back wall of the main house was repaired with concrete block.

The interior was completely gutted, also by the previous owners, except for the very early staircase that rises from the first to the third floor level. For the most part, this stair is intact and retains much of its original fabric **in repairable condition.**

Fireplace openings are extant, but mantels no longer exist. Flooring material is in various stages of deterioration although some early random width planking remains on the third level.

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NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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**HISTORIC PRESERVATION CERTIFICATION APPLICATION
PART 1 - EVALUATION OF SIGNIFICANCE**

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**MARYLAND HISTORICAL
TRUST**

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Project Number:

Instructions: Read the instructions carefully before completing application. No certification will be made unless a completed application form has been received. Use typewriter or print clearly in black ink. If additional space is needed, use continuation sheets or attach blank sheets.

1. Name of property: 713 S. Bond Street

Address of property: 713 S. Bond Street

City Baltimore County _____ State MD Zip Code 21231

Name of historic district: Fells Point

National Register district certified state or local district potential historic district

2. Check nature of request:

- certification that the building contributes to the significance of the above-named historic district for the purpose of rehabilitation.
- certification that the structure or building and, where appropriate, the land area on which such a structure or building is located contributes to the significance of the above-named historic district for a charitable contribution for conservation purposes.
- certification that the building does not contribute to the significance of the above-named district.
- preliminary determination for individual listing in the National Register.
- preliminary determination that a building located within a potential historic district contributes to the significance of the district.
- preliminary determination that a building outside the period or area of significance contributes to the significance of the district.

3. Authorized project contact:

Name Melvin L. Keller Title Owner

Street 10810 Longacre Lane City Stevenson

State Maryland Zip 21153 Telephone Number (during day): (301) 578-5209

4. Owner:

Name same as number 3

Street _____ City _____

State _____ Zip _____ Telephone Number (during day): _____

I hereby attest that the information I have provided is, to the best of my knowledge, correct, and that I own the above-named property.

Owner's Signature Melvin L. Keller Date 6/27/86

Social Security Number or Taxpayer Identification Number [REDACTED]

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The National Park Service has reviewed the "Historic Preservation Certification Application - Part 1" for the above-named property and hereby determines that the property:

- contributes to the significance of the above-named district and is a "certified historic structure" for the purpose of rehabilitation.
- contributes to the significance of the above-named district and is a "certified historic structure" for a charitable contribution for conservation purposes in accordance with the Tax Treatment Extension Act of 1980.
- does not contribute to the significance of the above-named district.

Preliminary Determinations:

- appears to meet the National Register Criteria for Evaluation and will likely be listed in the National Register of Historic Places if nominated by the State Historic Preservation Officer according to the procedures set forth in 36 CFR Part 60.
- does not appear to meet the National Register Criteria for Evaluation and will likely not be listed in the National Register.
- appears to contribute to the significance of a potential historic district, which will likely be listed in the National Register of Historic Places if nominated by the State Historic Preservation Officer.
- appears to contribute to the significance of a registered historic district but is outside the period or area of significance as documented in the National Register nomination or district documentation on file with the NPS.
- does not appear to qualify as a certified historic structure.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION
CERTIFICATION APPLICATION--
PART 1

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713 S. Bond Street
Property Name

713 S. Bond Street
Property Address

Melvin L. Keller
Name/Social Security or Taxpayer ID Number

Project Number:

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5. Description of physical appearance:

This is a 2½ story house which was probably the home of an artisan involved in the port activities. Sometime in the late 30's or early 40's the ground floor was converted to a store and one of the front windows was converted to another entrance door. Prior to the time I purchased this building formstone was removed from the front, the brick was cleaned and the mortar joints were repointed, a new roof was put on and the inside of the house was gutted. This describes the house as it now exists.

Date of Construction: ca 1790 Source of Date: The Society for the Preservation of Federal Hill and Fells Point

Date(s) of Alteration(s): 1935, 1983

Has building been moved? yes no. If so, when? _____

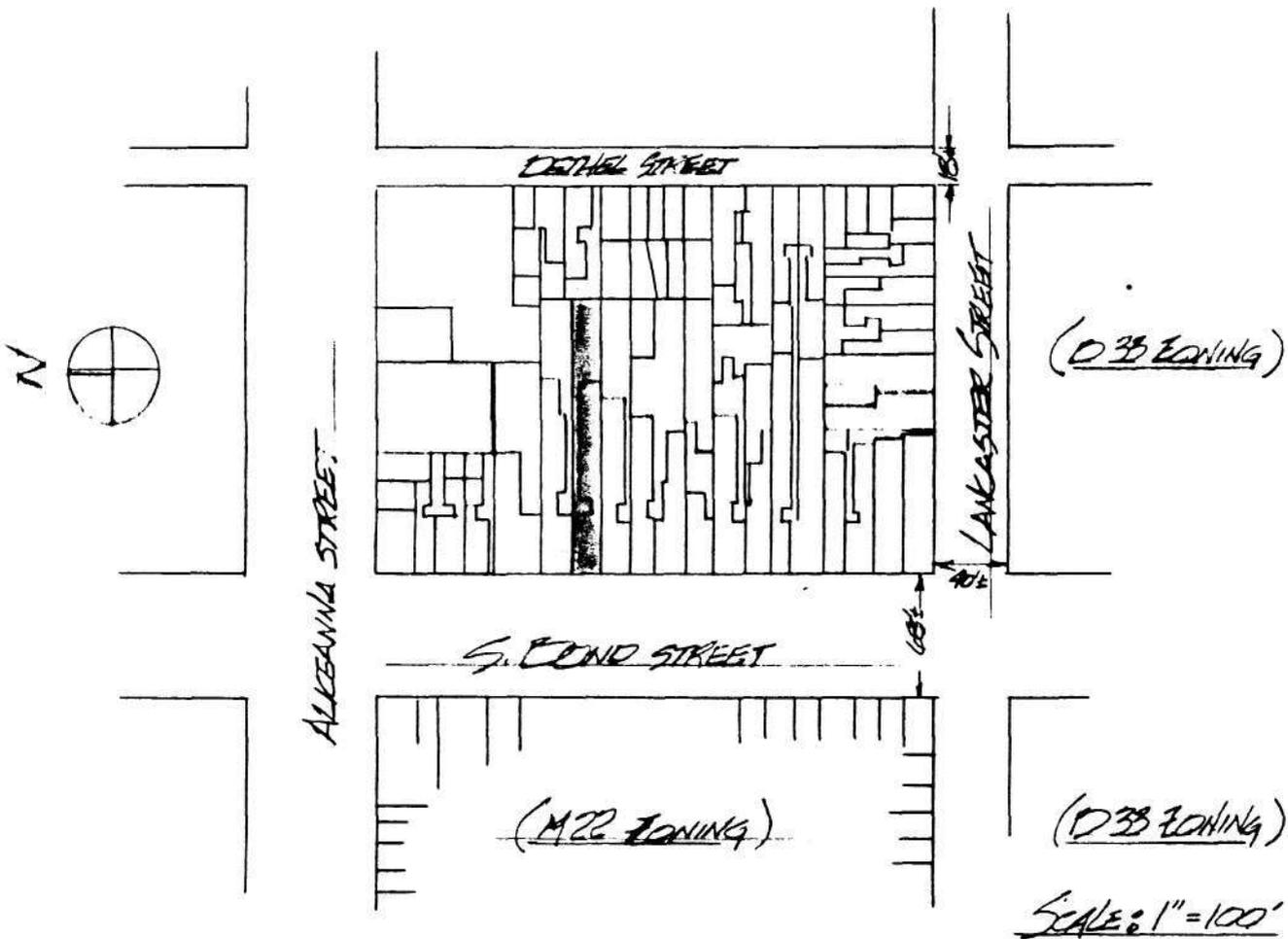
6. Statement of significance:

713 S. Bond is in Fells Point, designated an historical area by the National Park Service. It is a harborside, residential, and light industrial community. Most of the houses in the area were built in the 18th and very early 19th century. From information I have from the Society for the Preservation of Federal Hill and Fells Point and the Baltimore City Circuit Courthouse, 713 S. Bond Street was built in 1790. Fells Point embraces a still active port and much of its original architecture and its original town plans remains intact.

7. Photographs and maps.

Attach photographs and maps to application.

Continuation sheets attached: yes no



SUBJECT PROPERTY —

D33 ZONING DISTRICT
 CURRENTLY ZONED FOR —

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 713 South Bond Street
 Fells Point

SITE INSPECTION REPORT

NO. B-4130

PROJECT: 713 SOUTH BOND STREET, BALTIMORE, MD

HISTORIC DISTRICT: FELLS POINT HISTORIC DISTRICT

DATE: 7-23-86 TIME: 11:00 AM

WEATHER: CLEAR - SUNNY TEMP RANGE: 80 - 85° F

PURPOSE OF INSPECTION: TO EVALUATE EXISTING CONDITION OF
STRUCTURE

PRESENT AT SITE: DR. MELVIN L. KELLER (OWNER), MICHAEL DAY
(MHT), JO ELLEN FEESE (MHT).

WORK IN PROGRESS: NONE

OBSERVATIONS: THE STAIRCASE IS, FOR THE MOST PART, EARLY EVEN
TO THE POINT OF HAVING SOME ORIGINAL ELEMENTS. OPENINGS
AT THE FIRST FLOOR FACADE HAVE BEEN REPAIRED OVER
THE YEARS, BUT STILL CONVEY THE ORIGINAL USE FOR THIS
BUILDING. THE PREVIOUS OWNERS DISMANTLED THE ELL AND
GUTTED THE INTERIOR OF ALL PARTITIONS. (CONT.)

INFORMATION OR ACTION REQUIRED: PHOTO OF FIRST FLOOR FIREPLACE
OPENING AND A PROPOSED DRAWING OF THE FIRST FLOOR
FACADE AS PER OUR CONVERSATION, PHOTO OF
STAIR PANELING. (TWO COPIES OF FA. PHOTO REQUESTED).

REPORT BY: MKD

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SITE INSPECTION REPORT

PROJECT: 713 South Bond Street, Baltimore, Maryland

OBSERVATIONS: (Continued): Most of the original floor joists exist as do the fireboxes on the first and second floors. Mantels do not exist at any location. Paneling remains that goes under stair stringer at first floor level. Most of the wood floors have been damaged beyond repair except for some early random width floor boards extant on the third floor.

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713 S. Bond Street
Block 1811 Lot 046
Baltimore City
Baltimore East Quad.

