

BALTIMORE CITY--COMMISSION FOR HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL PRESERVATION

CDBG SURVEY YEAR:NA
 AREA:Walbrook

SURVEY NO.:B-4194
 MAGI NO.:0441948704

ADDRESS:3516 Clifton Avenue
 CURRENT NAME:

BLOCK:2810 LOT:9
 HEIGHT:3
 CONDITION:Good

LOT SIZE:46' 8" x 150' 0"
 MATERIALS:Brick
 OWNER:Ashman Limited Partnership
 ADDRESS:
 ACCESSIBLE:No
 LIBER/FOLIO:



HISTORIC NAME:Suburban Apartments
 DATE:1906-1913
 ARCHITECT/BUILDER:
 STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE):Mission Revival

DESCRIPTION:

3516 Clifton Avenue is one of three identical apartment buildings located on the north side of Clifton Avenue between Elsinore and Roslyn Avenues. They are very similar to apartment buildings at 3302-06 Clifton Ave. (B-4189-4191). 3516 has a flat roof with a Mission shaped roof parapet. The Mission details are continued in the 4-centered arches, square wood piers on the second floor, and decorative quatrefoils on the brackets of the three story stuccoed porch which dominates the building's facade. The first floor of the porch has a plain metal railing and a decorative metal column. The apartment building is 3 bays wide, with a center door and 2 rounded 3 sided bays on the first and second floors, each with its own center door. The windows on the facade are largely vertical 3 over 1. There are 3 story rounded bays of the building's side elevations.

SIGNIFICANCE:

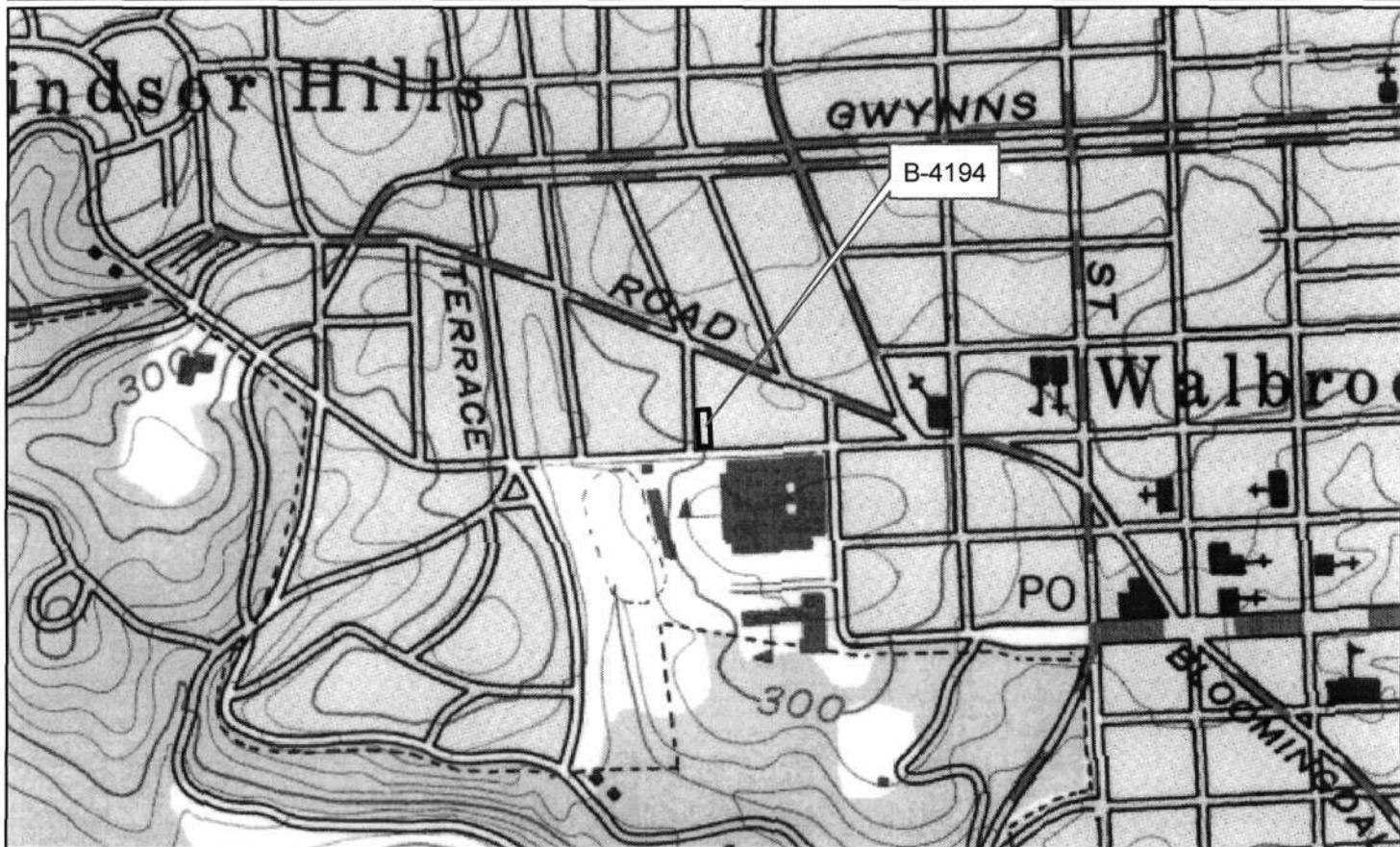
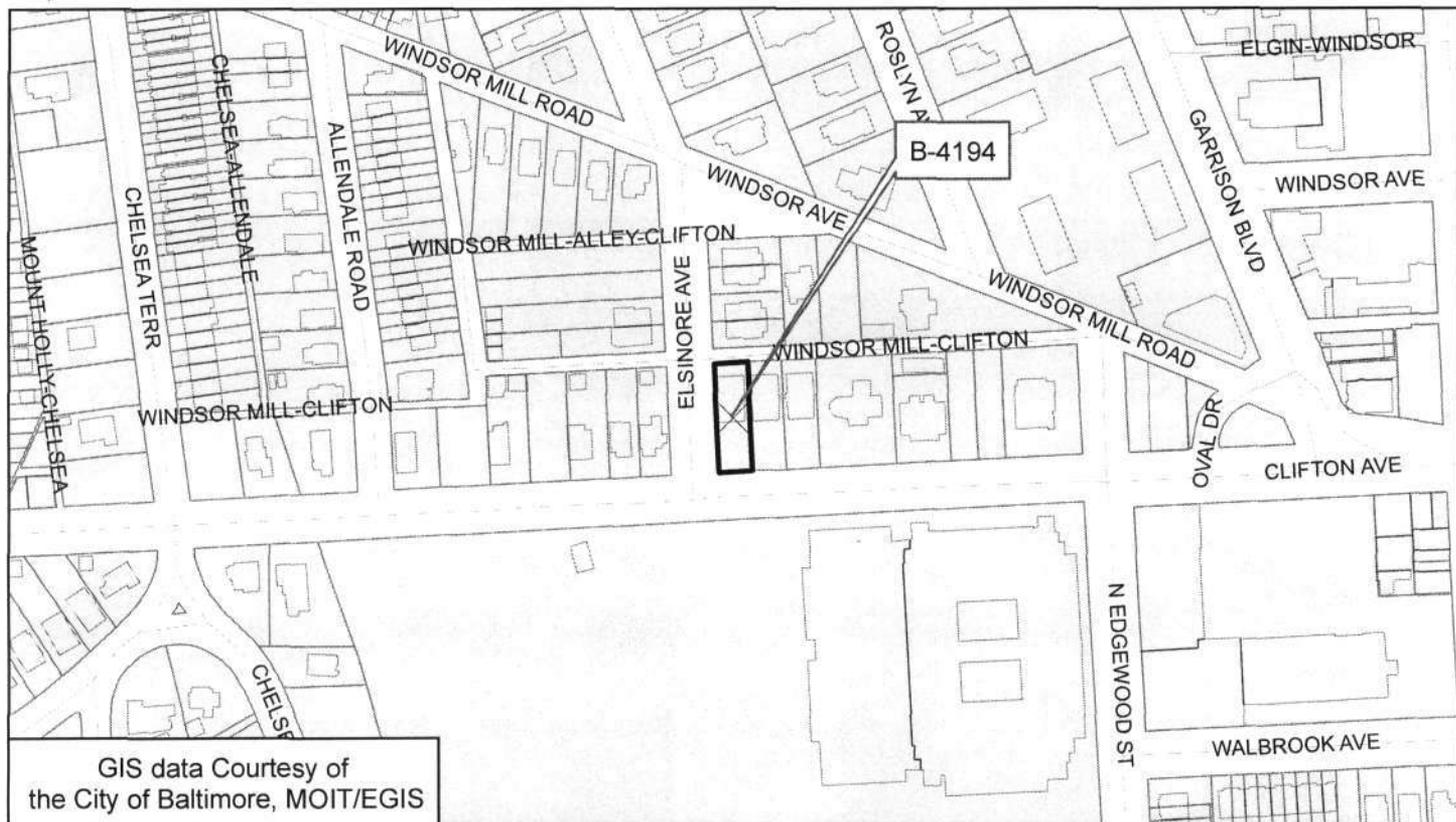
AREA:Architecture LEVEL:Local

3516 Clifton Avenue was built in the early 20th century, maps indicate between 1906 and 1913. 3516 is an example of the use of the Mission Revival style in suburban development. The Mission Revival style was most common outside of the southwest between 1905-1920. (McAlester, A Field Guide to American Homes, p.408-415) The Mission style details of this row of apartment buildings includes smooth stucco walls, scalloped shaped Mission roof parapets, square porch supports that are arched above, and decorative quatrefoils. Walbrook is considered by some sources to be one of Baltimore's earliest suburbs. It was originally called Walbrook Park, named for Galloway Cheston's estate Walbrook, located at what is now the intersection of Hilton St. and Walbrook Ave. It merged with another early suburb--Highland Park, located to its north. The combined area was called Walbrook. These apartment buildings are not the product of Walbrook's earliest suburban years, instead they are the result of later development and urban expansion. The majority of buildings built in Walbrook before 1896 were frame. Walbrook is located in the section of Baltimore County annexed in 1888. Development increased in Walbrook after 1890 when the electric street car line was extended further north. In 1906 this block of Clifton was the grounds for the W.H. Perkins, Jr. house.

SOURCES:Bond,Allen K.,Guide to Baltmre & Environs.1926/Beyond Wht Mrble Steps/ Bromley Atlas 1896 & 1906/ CHAP Files & Ashburton Survey/McAlester/MHS, V.Files/Pratt, V.Files.

SURVEYOR AND DATE:Mary K. Mannix, April 1988

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Baltimore West Quad.

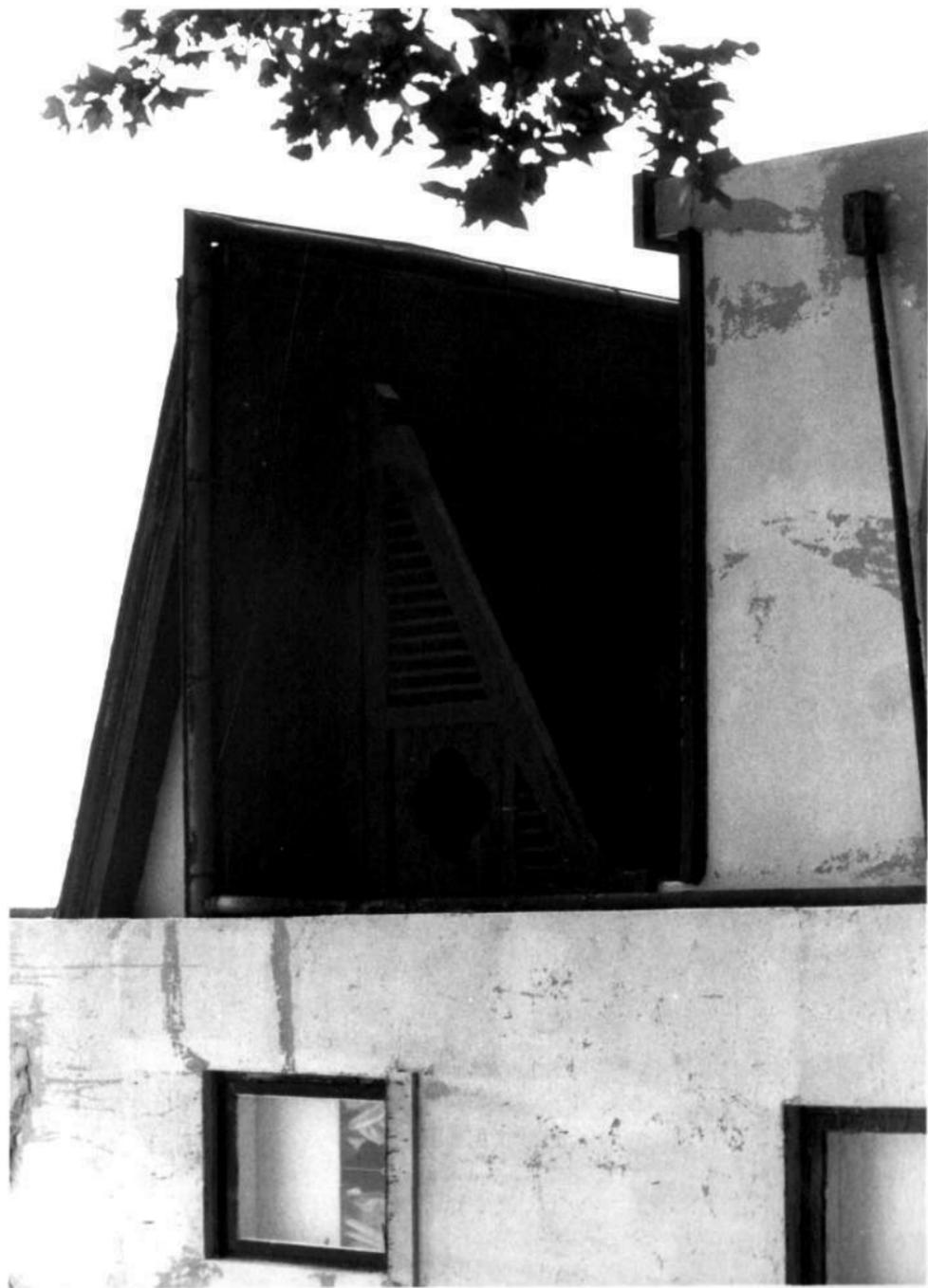




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Baltimore (City), Maryland
Photo: Mary K. Mannix
Date: December 1987
Neg. Loc.: MD. Hist. Trust
Southwest elevation



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