

(Within Worthington Valley NR District)

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

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NOMINATION FORM for the NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

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1. NAME

COMMON: Home of Mrs Felix Leser

AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: Geist Road

CITY OR TOWN: Glyndon

STATE: Maryland COUNTY: Baltimore

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)
			<input type="checkbox"/> Comments

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME: Louise Leser

STREET AND NUMBER: Geist Road

CITY OR TOWN: Glyndon STATE: Maryland

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Baltimore County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER: Washington Avenue

CITY OR TOWN: Towson STATE: Maryland

Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #): 1679/429

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY: None

DATE OF SURVEY: Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: STATE:

7. DESCRIPTION	
CONDITION	<div style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">(Check One)</div> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/> Ruins <input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> <div style="text-align: center; font-size: x-small;">(Check One)</div> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered <input type="checkbox"/> Uncluttered </div> <div style="width: 45%;"> <div style="text-align: center; font-size: x-small;">(Check One)</div> <input type="checkbox"/> Moved <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site </div> </div>
DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE	
<p>The LESER HOUSE is a two storey gable roofed frame house sheathed in vertical board and batten. It faces south. Originally three bays in length, a longish east bay provided a one room addition in the mid-20th century to this mid-19th century house.</p> <p>The principal entrance, sheltered by a small one storey shed roofed porch, is centered on its south front with a 6/6 window in each flanking bay. In the second storey a 6/6 window is above each first storey window and the bay above the door is void of openings. A one storey wing with a low-pitched shed roof extends to the north and a large contemporary window in the second storey of the east addition on its north side extends above the eave slightly in broad shed-roofed dormer. A massive exterior chimney with stucco finish stands at the west end of the house, its shape following that of the single first storey fireplace within. The chimney is modern.</p> <p>Boards of the earlier portion exhibit a straight-sawn texture and battens are chamfered. Windows are trimmed in wide plain boards, membering with the battens. At the heads, the trim is slightly raked, suggesting a Greek-revival pediment.</p> <p>Internally the original section is a single large room with exposed hewn ceiling joists, many with bark still in place. The space was two rooms of approximately equal size with a single-flue chimney in the dividing partition. The enclosed stair rises to the second floor in the southeast corner of the principal room. The log rafters of the original section are mitered at the ridge.</p> <p>The paneled mantel of the late 18th or early 19th century is from Pennsylvania. The six-paneled front door is from Belvidere, the former Hall family house near Perryman, Harford County, Maryland, destroyed after</p>	

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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian	<input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century
<input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century	

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal	<input type="checkbox"/> Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Political	<input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning
<input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> Engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)
<input type="checkbox"/> Historic	<input type="checkbox"/> Industry	<input type="checkbox"/> Science	_____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> Invention	<input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture	_____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Art	<input type="checkbox"/> Literature	<input type="checkbox"/> Theater	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Communications	<input type="checkbox"/> Music		
<input type="checkbox"/> Conservation			

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This house, located on the northern edge of Geist Road, is a small, very simple house probably built as a tenant or worker's house in the mid-19th century. The property was owned by Jacob Geist and his heirs and known as Locust Grove. While there were improvements on the land according to the 1876 tax assessment, the Hopkins Atlas (1877) shows only a dwelling farther back from the road, so it is assumed that this small structure was erected thereafter. Architecturally, it is interesting as one example of the Victorian period in this District which has survived in excellent condition.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Baltimore County Tax Assessment: 1876, 1896
 Sidney, J.C. and P.J. Browne. Map of the City and County of Baltimore, Maryland. 1850. At Baltimore County Historical Society.
 Hopkins, G.M. Atlas of Baltimore County, Maryland 1877.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
NW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
NE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: **.78 acres**

Acreage Justification:

(This area is currently blank for justification.)

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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: Catharine F. Elack and James T. Wollon, Jr. AIA	
ORGANIZATION Worthington Valley Historical District Project	DATE Jan. 1976
STREET AND NUMBER: 1114 Bellemore Road	
CITY OR TOWN: Baltimore	STATE Maryland

12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:
 National State Local

 Signature

LESER HOUSE

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1941 when its land was incorporated into the Aberdeen Proving Ground. (Other Belvidere wood-work was incorporated into Medical Hall, near Bel Air, Harford County, a property included in the National Register of Historic Places.)