

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME BOUNDARY MARKERS ALONG THE MASON-DIXON LINE (THEMATIC GROUP)
 HISTORIC (Mason and Dixon's) West Line, 49th Mile Stone

AND/OR COMMON
 Mason- Dixon Line: Milestone No. 49 (1900-03 Resurvey Monument No. 52)

2 LOCATION (not for publication)
 STREET & NUMBER south side of Smith Mill Road

CITY, TOWN New Freedom VICINITY OF MD: 2 / PA: 19
 STATE Maryland COUNTY MD: Baltimore / PA: York

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS N/A	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input 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 type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC ACQUISITION	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO (unexposed)	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER: state boundary marker

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY (monument only; see Thematic Group NR nomination form)

NAME State of Maryland/Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN _____ STATE, zip code _____
 _____ VICINITY OF _____

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

(see surrounding property ownership list)
 COURTHOUSE
 REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN _____ STATE _____

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS (also see Thematic Group NR nomination form)

TITLE Baltimore County Historic Sites Inventory

DATE BA-1568 entered 3/8/79 FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS Baltimore County Office of Planning, County Courts Building

CITY, TOWN Towson STATE Maryland

7 DESCRIPTION

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

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Milestone No. 49(52), if still in place as local residents believe it is, would mark Mason and Dixon's 49th horizontal mile west of the initial stone at the northeast corner of Maryland, the beginning point of their West Line. It was in place though "covered by 4 inches of soil" at the time of the 1950 inspection of markers along the Maryland-Pennsylvania boundary, as was also attested by the enclosed xerox copies of photos in the Trussell collection (PP2.42) in the Maryland Historical Society, Baltimore (taken c. 1948-50). Although not completely uncovered at that time, it appeared to be in relatively good condition, and is one of the original Mason and Dixon milestones of 1766, at its original site, though had been reset in 1902 by the ¹⁹⁰⁰⁻⁰³ Resurvey of the Maryland-Pennsylvania boundary. If still standing, it would be one of 10 original milestones remaining along the present Baltimore/York county boundary.

The area here is gently rolling farmland on both sides of Smith Mill Road. The site is about 1 mile northwest of the scattered settlement of Oakland, MD; about 1½ miles southwest of the center of the town of New Freedom, PA; about midway between New Freedom and Keeney Mill roads, close to the southside of Smith Mill Road, ^{unexposed} below grade level, in a narrow ^{fenced} cattle lane connecting two pastures. The lane is very compacted and was impossible to prod for the monument, and despite having the former and present property owners show the approximate site ^{where} they remembered seeing it quite some time ago, digging there for half a day did not unearth it. However: as part of the follow-up Phase II of this project, it will be found through local or civil engineer help.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW						
PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION			
1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE			
1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE			
1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION			
1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)			
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION					boundary surveying

SPECIFIC DATES 1766 (reset 1902) ~~CHARLES MASON & JEREMIAH DIXON~~ **CHARLES MASON & JEREMIAH DIXON**
~~SURVEYORS~~ **SURVEYORS**

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (also see Thematic Group NR nomination form)

There are 24 crownstones and 111 milestones still standing along Mason and Dixon's West Line, set at mile intervals through mile No. 132, and the 12 beyond that point (3 crownstones; 9 milestones) at irregular intervals as additions to the Line. Milestone No. 49(52), if found in place, would be of ^{national and state} significance primarily as one of this series of original milestones of 1766, at its original site, where it was ^{more securely} reset in 1902 at the time of the 1900-03 Resurvey of the Maryland-Pennsylvania boundary. Individually, and as one of 10 original milestones still marking the present Baltimore/York county boundary, No. 49(52) would also be of considerable significance locally as one of a diminishing number of objects and structures with an identifiable relationship to our colonial heritage.

HISTORY AND SUPPORT (see Thematic Group NR nomination form)

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

(see Thematic Group National Register nomination form)

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATAACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY less than one acreVERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION N/AUTM: 18.35319.439795

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

STATE Maryland COUNTY BaltimoreSTATE Pennsylvania COUNTY York**11 FORM PREPARED BY**NAME / TITLE Alice Martin (volunteer Mason-Dixon West Line marker surveyor)ORGANIZATION Maryland Historical Trust/Maryland Geological Survey DATE (site surveyed)
1/19/80 & 11/7/83 NOT foundSTREET & NUMBER 14308 Mount Avenue TELEPHONE 301/472-2128CITY OR TOWN Phoenix STATE Maryland ZIP 21131

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.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
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NOTE: PHOTO DUPLICATES GIVEN TO MGS BY MHS 9/23/81 (2 W BALTO. CO. MARKER NOTES BOOK)

SMITH MILL ROAD →



FENCE

PP2-42. 2a PHOTO: DR. A.L. TRUSSELL
S/S VIEW OF STONE (C. 1948-50)
IN RELATION TO SMITH MILL RD FENCE



PP2-42. 1a
M/S PHOTO: DR. A.L. TRUSSELL (C. 1948-50)



PP2-42. 4c PHOTO: DR. A.L. TRUSSELL
S/S & UNIDENTIFIED MAN
HARRY SHAVER (M.D.) (C. 1948-50)

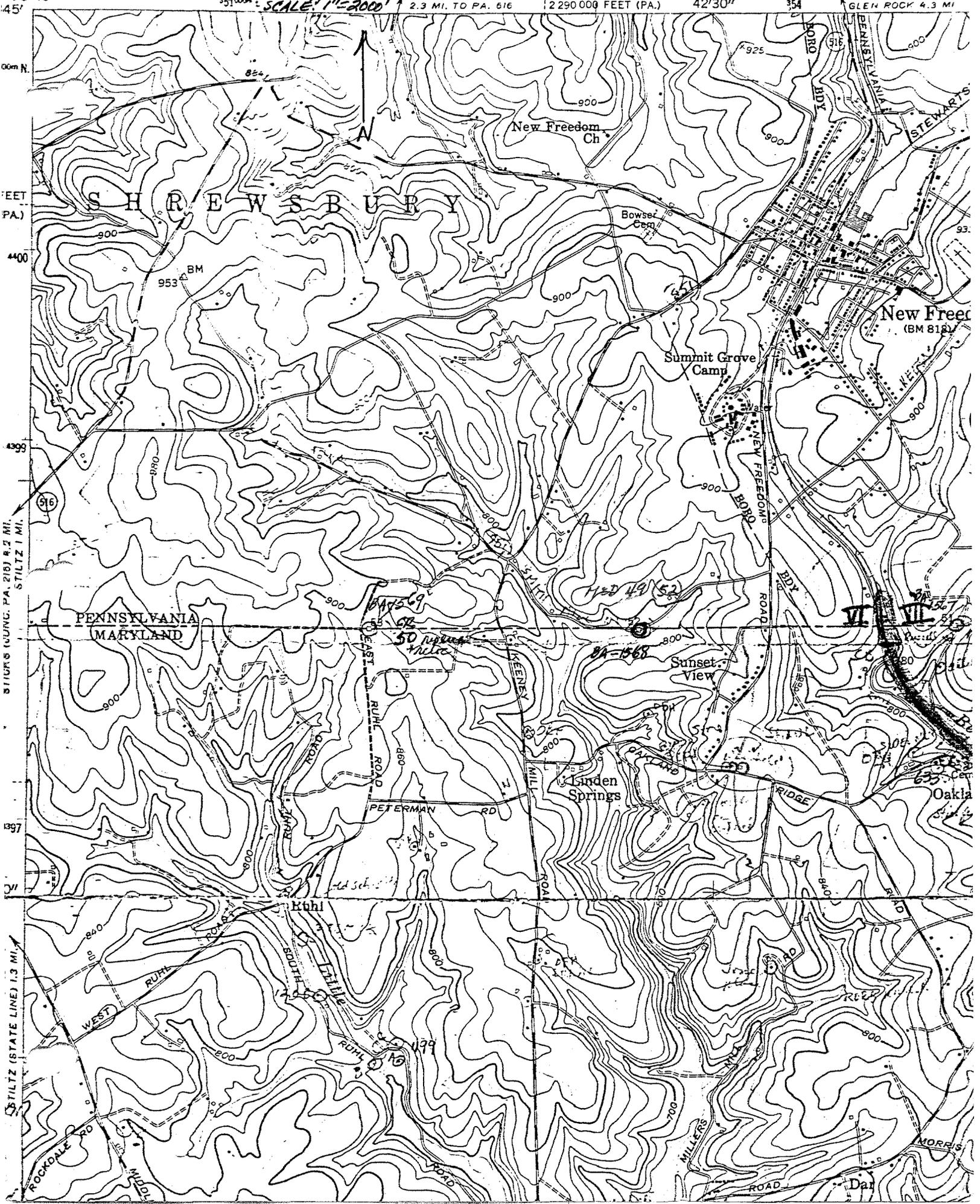


PP2-42. 3a PHOTO:
S/S + DR TRUSSELL (C. 1948-50)

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY *MASCHIEDITION WEST LINE: PALEOSTATE 19(52)*
USGS 7.5 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC) NEW FREEDOM QUADRANGLE, MARYLAND-PENNSYLVANIA, 1958

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76°45' 351000' E SCALE: 1"=2000' GLEN ROCK 3.4 MI 2290000 FEET (PA.) 42'30" 354



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EET (PA.)
4400
4399
STICKS (OUNG. PA. 218) R. 2 MI.
STILTZ 1 MI.
1397
STILTZ (STATE LINE) 1.3 MI.

GLEN ROCK 4.3 MI
NEW FREEDOM
(BM 812)
OAKLAND
MORRIS
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MASON EDIXON WEST LINE; MILESTONE 49(52), APPROX. SITE
AS MARKED BY FORMER OWNER, OF PROPERTY SURROUNDING
MONUMENT, G. WALTER SHUPPERT

VIEW LOOKING SE FROM SMITH HILL ROAD

PHOTO: ALICE MARTIN 11/7/83 (1983.10.22A)