

BA 1994

STIFFLER-FLEMING HOUSE

1925-1928

PARKTON

PRIVATE

This is a large, squarish house of rusticated concrete block, Colonial Revival in design, with a wrap-around porch that runs full width on the main (SE) facade and also along the southwest facade. The roof is hipped, punctured by a large hip roofed dormer that contains a pair of large double-hung sash windows. Porch columns are precast concrete. This house is set on a spacious lot and presents a cheerful appearance, the dominant structure on Calder Avenue. It is first found in the 1928 tax ledger, probably built by Milton Stiffler and wife after buying the vacant lot in 1925.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC **STIFFLER-FLEMING HOUSE**

AND/OR COMMON

**Fleming House**

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

**18,904 York Road**

CITY, TOWN

**Parkton**

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

**2nd**

STATE

**Maryland**

COUNTY

**Baltimore County**

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

**CATEGORY**

- DISTRICT
- BUILDING(S)
- STRUCTURE
- SITE
- OBJECT

**OWNERSHIP**

- PUBLIC
- PRIVATE

BOTH

**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**

- IN PROCESS
- BEING CONSIDERED

**STATUS**

- OCCUPIED
- UNOCCUPIED
- WORK IN PROGRESS

**ACCESSIBLE**

- YES: RESTRICTED
- YES: UNRESTRICTED
- NO

**PRESENT USE**

- AGRICULTURE
- COMMERCIAL
- EDUCATIONAL
- ENTERTAINMENT
- GOVERNMENT
- INDUSTRIAL
- MILITARY
- MUSEUM
- PARK
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- RELIGIOUS
- SCIENTIFIC
- TRANSPORTATION
- OTHER:

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME **ARTHUR E. FLEMING AND WIFE**

Telephone #: **Not listed.**

STREET & NUMBER

**18,904 York Road**

CITY, TOWN

**Parkton**

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

**Maryland 21120**

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

**County Courts Building**

Liber #: **EHK JR. 5482**

Folio #: **164**

STREET & NUMBER

**401 Bosley Avenue**

CITY, TOWN

**Towson**

STATE

**Maryland 21204**

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE **NONE**

DATE

FEDERAL  STATE  COUNTY  LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

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

The Stiffler-Fleming House is a 2-1/2 story Colonial revival house with a commanding location on Calder Avenue. The house is square, built of rusticated concrete blocks, with prominent porch columns, wraparound porch, and heavy dormers.

The main facade is two bays wide. The door is on the north or right-hand side suggesting a side-hall plan; the door is provided with lozenge-shaped glass panes and is flanked by sidelights with rectangular panes. The windows at both stories are twin, double-hung sash types, 1-over-1. The hip-roofed dormer has twin windows, with smaller lights, rectangular and installed in a horizontal layout, also 1-over-1 sash types. A shed-roofed, one-story, wraparound porch runs across the main (southeast) facade and continues on the southwest. The deck is a total of 11 steps above street level, the space beneath the porch flooring walled off with rusticated concrete block. A total of seven heavy round precast concrete columns and square concrete piers support the porch roof. Porch railing and balusters are also of concrete.

The southwest facade is two bays deep, with French windows opening onto the porch, twin sash windows at the second story, and another dormer at attic level. The north-east facade is three bays deep, and features a two-bay shed-roofed side porch, also supported by precast concrete piers and columns. Windows are 1-over-1 double-hung sash windows on this facade, three of them at second-story level, one clear of the porch on the first-story level. Part of the porch, toward the rear, is enclosed. There is no dormer on this facade.

The northwest facade is the plainest of the four sides, two bays deep, with twin, 1-over-1 windows in each bay at each level. There is no dormer on this side either.

This house has a very narrow plain cornice. The eaves overhang considerably. The hip roof is covered with red rubber roofing tiles.

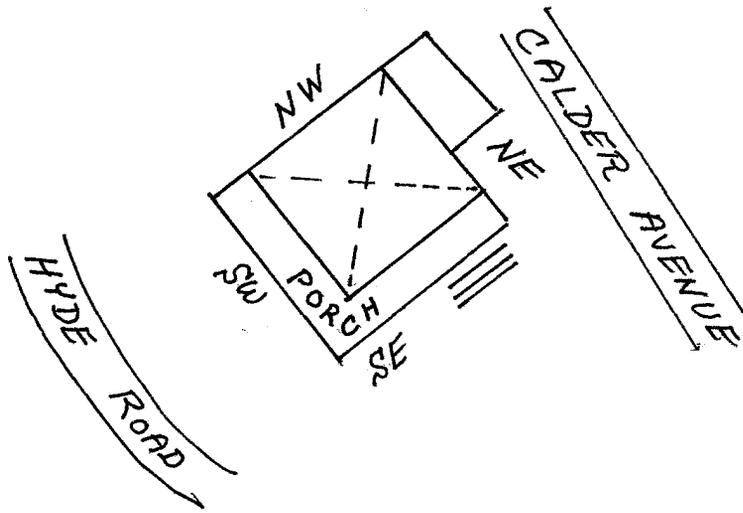
In spite of being constructed with very heavy-looking concrete block and heavy porch columns, railings, and massive dormers, this house presents a very cheerful appearance; it is set on a very spacious lot and can be viewed from both Calder Avenue and from Hyde Road.

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STIFFLER-FLEMING HOUSE



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
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1925-1928

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This large, squarish house of rusticated concrete block in Colonial revival style sets the tone for Calder Avenue, one of Parkton's few side streets, and it faces the traveler coming down that road, rather than facing its road frontage. The land here west of the York Road provides some high ground for a suburban zone around the original railroad depot town.

This lot can be shown to have been vacant in the 1923 tax ledger when owned by Frances Tucker; it was still vacant in a 1925 account started when the lot passed to Milton Stiffler and wife. (1)

The Stiffles had acquired title in October of 1924. (2) The house had come into existence by the time a new tax ledger was started in 1928. M. Stiffler and wife were charged with an acre (270 by 140 feet) and the following improvements:

Dwelling	\$2800
Building	50. (3)

In 1934, the property passed to Mary Lizzie Stiffler under a life tenancy. (4) The remainderman, Russell L. Stiffler, inherited the place and in 1952 conveyed to John E. and Dorothy S. MacCubbin. (5) Mrs. MacCubbin became a widow, and in 1974 conveyed to the present owners, Kenneth Leroy Patterson and Margaret Lucy Patterson. (6)

This ground had been Lot D in the 1892 plat showing the subdivision of Martha Turner, and apparently no buyer could be found for at least 38 years; a road shown in the original plat as Turner Avenue was to cut through this property to Hyde Road (which borders the river) but was never laid out. (7)

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NOTES:

1. Tax Ledger, District 7, 1923, f. 781, 747.
2. Baltimore County Deeds, WPC 602:318.
3. Tax Ledger, District 7, 1928-1940, f. 1056.
4. B.C. Deeds, LMCLM 914:500.
5. B.C. Deeds, GLB 2230:558.
6. B.C. Deeds, EHK JR. 5482:164.
7. B.C. Plat Books, JWS 1:79A. (1892).

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES** STIFFLER-FLEMING HOUSE

Baltimore County Deeds, Tax Ledgers.

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 1.0

**VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION**

Irregular parcel bounded on east by former York Road (MD 471) and on southwest and northwest by curving lines of Calder Avenue and Hyde Road. Larger parcel extends across Hyde Road and Gunpowder Falls to former Northern Central Railroad.

(Map 17 P226)

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

STATE NONE COUNTY NONE

STATE NONE COUNTY NONE

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

John W. McGrain, Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Baltimore County Office of Planning and Zoning

DATE

May 27, 1980

STREET & NUMBER

401 Bosley Avenue

TELEPHONE

494-3495

CITY OR TOWN

Towson

STATE

Maryland 21204

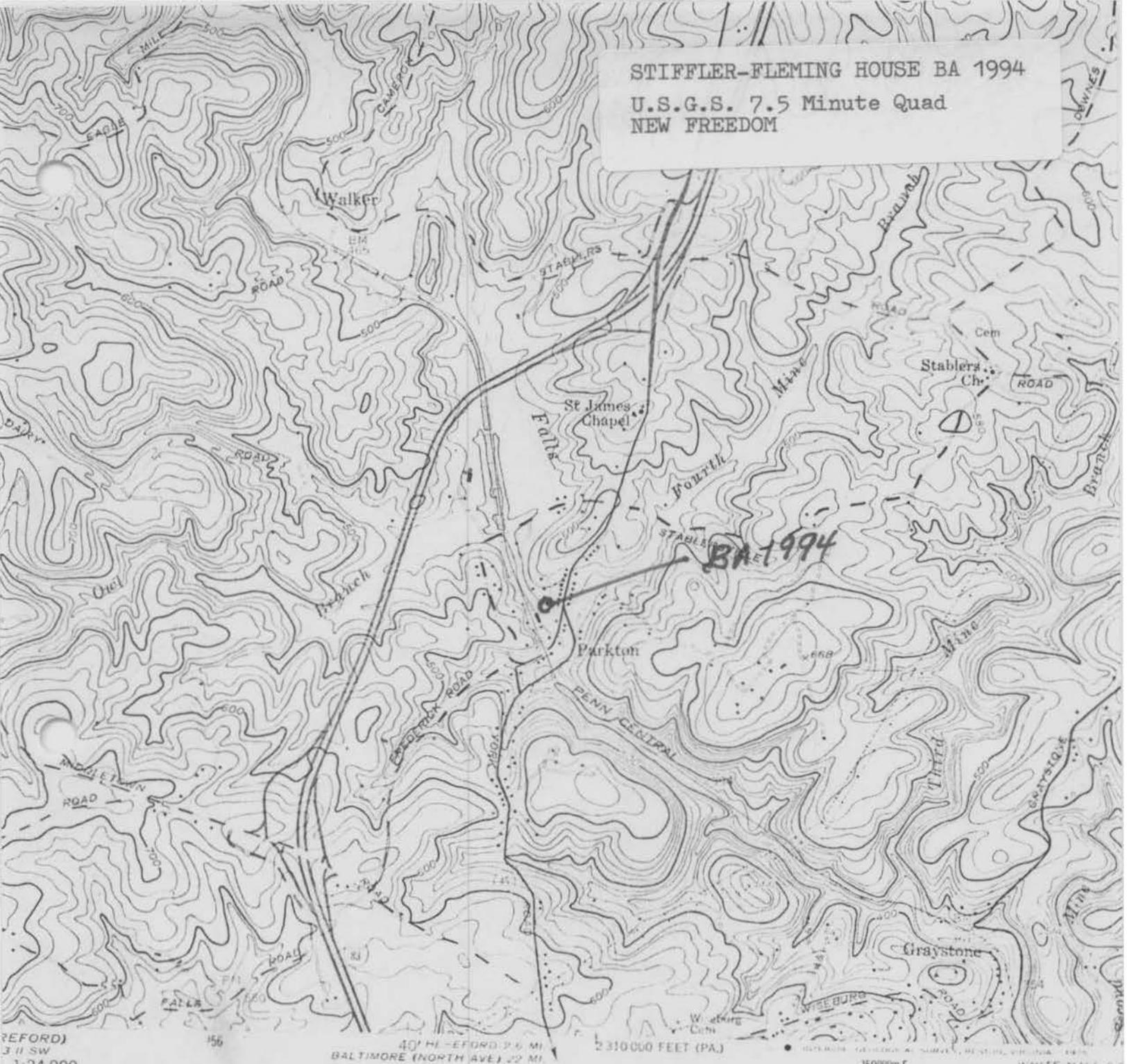
The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

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  
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438

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U.S.G.S. 7.5 Minute Quad  
NEW FREEDOM



REFORD)  
3 11 SW  
1:24 000

40' HI - EFORD 2.6 MI  
BALTIMORE (NORTH AVE) 22 MI  
2 310 000 FEET (PA.)

1590000 E

WHITE HALL 0 3



VERTICAL DATUM OF 1929

MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS  
SURVEYING ESTON, VIRGINIA 22092  
SYMBOLS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

ROAD CLASSIFICATION

- Heavy duty ——— Light-duty
- Medium duty - - - - - Unimproved dirt
- U.S. Route (square symbol)
- State Route (circle symbol)

NEW FREEDOM, MD

N3937.5 - W7637.5/7.4

1958  
PHOTOREVISED 1974  
AMS 5663 II NW SERIES

Revisions shown in purple compiled by the Geological Survey from aerial photographs taken 1974. This information not field checked.



STIFFLER-FLEMING HOUSE BA 1994  
Baltimore County, Maryland  
J. McGrain, March 1980  
Neg. located at MHT  
Main (SE) facade from SE



STIFFLER-FLEMING HOUSE BA 1994  
Baltimore County, Maryland  
J. McGrain, March 1980  
Neg. located at MHT  
Main facade showing setting



STIFFLER-FLEMING HOUSE BA 1994  
Baltimore County, Maryland  
J. McGrain, Oct 1980  
Neg located at MHT  
Rear (NE) and NW facades



STIFFLER-FLEMING HOUSE BA 1994  
Baltimore County, Maryland  
J. McGrain, March 1980  
Neg. located at MHT  
SE & SW facades from due south