

CAPSULE SUMMARY

6505 Ebenezer Road
BA-2835

The house at 6505 Ebenezer Road was constructed for Edward H. and Ida V. Roberts in 1930, when the popularity of the Craftsman style was at its height. The lot remained in the Roberts family until it was conveyed in 1931 to John H. and Mollie Messenger.

The main dwelling house is sited approximately 25' south of the road. A dense wood borders the property to the west, and a chain link fence marks the east edge of the property. Set on a solid, rockfaced concrete block foundation, this stuccoed, wood frame house is covered with a side gable roof. The roof is pierced at the front and back by large gable roof dormers. The roof is distinguished by its wide, overhanging eaves and boxed cornice. A one-story, two-bay porch extends the full width of the facade. An interior brick chimney laid in stretcher bond rises above the rear slope of the gable roof

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
MD INVENTORY OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Inventory No. BA-2835

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1. Name of Property

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historic name _____
common/other name _____

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2. Location

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street & number 6505 Ebenezer Road not for publication _____
city or town Baltimore vicinity _____ state Maryland code MD
county Baltimore code 005 zip code 21220

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3. State/Federal Agency Certification N/A

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4. National Park Service Certification N/A

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5. Classification

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Ownership of Property (Check all that apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property (Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property

Contributing		Noncontributing		
<u>2</u>		<u>1</u>		buildings
<u>0</u>		<u>0</u>		sites
<u>0</u>		<u>0</u>		structures
<u>0</u>		<u>0</u>		objects
<u>2</u>		<u>1</u>		Total

Is this property listed in the National Register?

Yes _____ Name of Listing _____
No X

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6. Function or Use

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Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: DOMESTIC Sub: Single Dwelling

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: DOMESTIC Sub: Single Dwelling

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7. Description

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Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

Bungalow/Craftsman

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

foundation Solid: Rockfaced Concrete Block

roof Gable: Asphalt Shingle

walls Wood Frame: Stuccoed

other _____

Narrative Description (Describe the historic and current condition of the property.)

See Continuation Sheet No. 7-1

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8. Statement of Significance

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Applicable National Register Criteria (Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations (Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

- A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B removed from its original location.
- C a birthplace or a grave.
- D a cemetery.
- E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F a commemorative property.
- G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

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Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions)

Architecture

Period of Significance 1930-present

Significant Dates 1930

Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

Cultural Affiliation Undefined

Architect/Builder Unknown

Narrative Statement of Significance (Explain the significance of the property.)

See Continuation Sheet No. 8-1

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9. Major Bibliographical References

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(Cite the books, articles, legal records, and other sources used in preparing this form.)

Baltimore County Land Records, Recorder of Deeds, Baltimore County, Towson, Maryland.

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10. Geographical Data

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Acreage of Property 25,569 Square Feet

Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property.)

The property at 6505 Ebenezer Road is designated as Parcel 297 as indicated on Map 83, Grid 16.

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected.)

The property at 6505 Ebenezer Road has historically been associated with Parcel 297 since the original construction of the house in 1930.

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11. Form Prepared By

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city or town Chevy Chase state MD zip code 20815

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12. Property Owner

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name Bernard J. Gallo and Patricia A. Helman
street & number 6505 Ebenezer Road telephone _____
city or town Baltimore state MD zip code 21220

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Constructed in 1930, the Craftsman-style house at 6505 Ebenezer Road is sited approximately 25' south of the road. Mature shade trees grow around the house. A dense wood borders the property to the west, and a chain link fence marks the east edge of the property. Set on a solid, rockfaced concrete block foundation, this stuccoed, wood frame house is covered with a side gable roof. The roof is pierced at the front and back by large gable roof dormers. The roof is distinguished by its wide, overhanging eaves and boxed cornice. A one-story, two-bay porch extends the full width of the facade. An interior brick chimney laid in stretcher bond rises above the rear slope of the gable roof

EXTERIOR DESCRIPTION:

The facade, the north elevation of this dwelling, is two bays in width. In the eastern bay is a single-leaf, Craftsman-style multi-light door with a multi-light side-lights. In the western bay is a pair of 6/1 windows. The upper story is marked by a wide gable roof dormer that is pierced by three grouped 1/1 windows. A one-story, two bay porch with Craftsman-style piers and arched openings extends the full width of the facade.

The west elevation is marked at the basement by two 3-light awning windows. The first story is marked by two pairs of 1/1 windows, and a single 1/1 window marks the upper half-story.

A one-story, two-bay, shed roof extension is located at the south elevation. The eastern bay of this extension is enclosed, while the western bay provides a porch. The porch, like that on the facade, is Craftsman in style with Craftsman piers and an arched opening. A single-leaf, flush door is located on the east wall of the porch. The first story of the south elevation is marked with a pair of 1/1 windows and a pair of 6/1 windows. The upper half story is marked with a gable roof dormer that is pierced by three grouped 1/1 windows.

The east elevation of the house is marked at the basement by two 3-light awning windows, at the first story by a pair of 1/1 windows and a fixed stained glass window, and at the upper half-story by a 1/1 window. A single-leaf, flush door with lights is located between the basement and first story.

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OUTBUILDINGS:

A 1930s, wood frame, two-car garage is located to the southwest of the house. The garage is set on a rockfaced concrete block foundation and covered with an asphalt shingle, front gable roof. The stuccoed walls are pierced at the east elevation by a 1-light window and a five-panel door. Two non-original, overhead, rolling garage doors are located at the north elevation of the garage.

A dryhouse is located to the south of the garage. This six-sided structure is supported with wood posts. Weatherboard has been applied in some areas, and a hipped, asphalt shingle roof covers the structure.

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The house at 6505 Ebenezer Road was constructed for Edward H. and Ida V. Roberts in 1923, when the popularity of the Craftsman style was at its height. Modestly detailed, Craftsman style bungalows were quickly and easily erected in the newly subdivided lots across the nation in the 1920s and 1930s. Much of the development of White Marsh coincided with this period as large agricultural farmlands were being subdivided into smaller lots along the established main roads. Hallmarks of the style found in this dwelling include the deeply inset full-width porch with Craftsman-style piers, the low-pitched gable roof pierced with large dormers at the front and rear, and the wide overhanging eaves.

On January 9, 1905, George A. Porter conveyed a portion of the present lot associated with 6505 Ebenezer Road to Edward H. and Ida V. Roberts. The lot remained in the Roberts family until it was conveyed in 1931 to John H. and Mollie Messenger. The sale did not include .277 acres of property that had simultaneously been conveyed to Albert and Emma Bender. With the death of the Messengers by 1958, the property that consisted of two parcels designated today as 6505 and 6509 Ebenezer Road was devised to Helen Messenger Harrington. By 1964, however, Harrington sold the property to the Benders, again joining the two parcels of land under a single ownership. In 1977, the property was sold by the Benders to Bernard Gallo, who conveyed one-half interest to Patricia Helman in 1987.

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National Register Evaluation:

The house at 6505 Ebenezer Road is not eligible due to the fact that it does not meet National Register Criteria A, B, C, or D. Preliminary research has not revealed any association between the dwelling and events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history (Criterion A) or the lives of persons significant in our past (Criterion B). Although the building provides an example of the Craftsman style, it is neither unusual nor distinguished; it does not represent the work of a master or display high artistic merit (Criterion C). There is no evidence that the property is likely to yield information important in history or prehistory (Criterion D). Thus, the property is not National Register-eligible.

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Eligibility recommended _____ Not Recommended X

Comments:

Review, OPS: [Signature] Date: 11/12/97

Reviewer, NR Program: [Signature] Date: 3/17/00

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HISTORIC CONTEXT:

Geographic Organization: Piedmont

Chronological/Development Period (s):

Industrial/Urban Dominance (1870-1930)
Modern Period (1930-present)

Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme (s):

Architecture, Landscape, and Community
Planning

RESOURCE TYPE(S)

Category: Building

Historic Environment: Rural

Historic Function (s): DOMESTIC/Single Dwelling

Known Design Source: Unknown

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Chain of Title:

Parcel 1:

- January 9, 1905: George A. Porter to Edward H. and Ida V. Roberts
Land Records of Baltimore County
Liber WPC 282 Folio 334
- March 24, 1906: Edward H. and Ida V. Roberts to Bradford Loan and Savings Association of Baltimore
Land Records of Baltimore County
Liber WPC 297 Folio 21
- February 17, 1911: Bradford Loan and Savings Association to Edward H. and Ida V. Roberts
George died intestate ca. 1915
Ida died intestate, February 4, 1926, leaving heirs Elmer, Henry, and Ernest Roberts and Irene and David H. Chaffman
Land Records of Baltimore County
Liber WPC 372 Folio 510
- July 1, 1931: Elmer E. and Mary E. Roberts, Henry Roberts, widower, Arthur and Birdie Roberts, Ernest and Rosie E. Roberts, and Irene and David H. Chaffman to John H. and Mollie Messenger
Quit Claim Deed
3 acres, 2 roods, 20 square perches
Land Records of Baltimore County
Liber 883 Folio 164
- September 10, 1959: John H. Messenger, II and Harry F. Messenger, executors of John H. Messenger's (died May 22, 1958) estate to Earle Harrington and Helen G. Messenger Harrington
3 acres, 2 rods, 20 square perches
*excepting .277 acres conveyed May 31, 1931 to Albert and Emma Bender
Land Records of Baltimore County
Liber WJR 3592 Folio 293

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Parcel 2

August 31, 1964: Helen G. Messenger Harrington, widow to Albert
E. and Emma E. Bender
.31 acres
Land Records of Baltimore County
Liber 4351 Folio 376

Parcels 1 and 2 Combined:

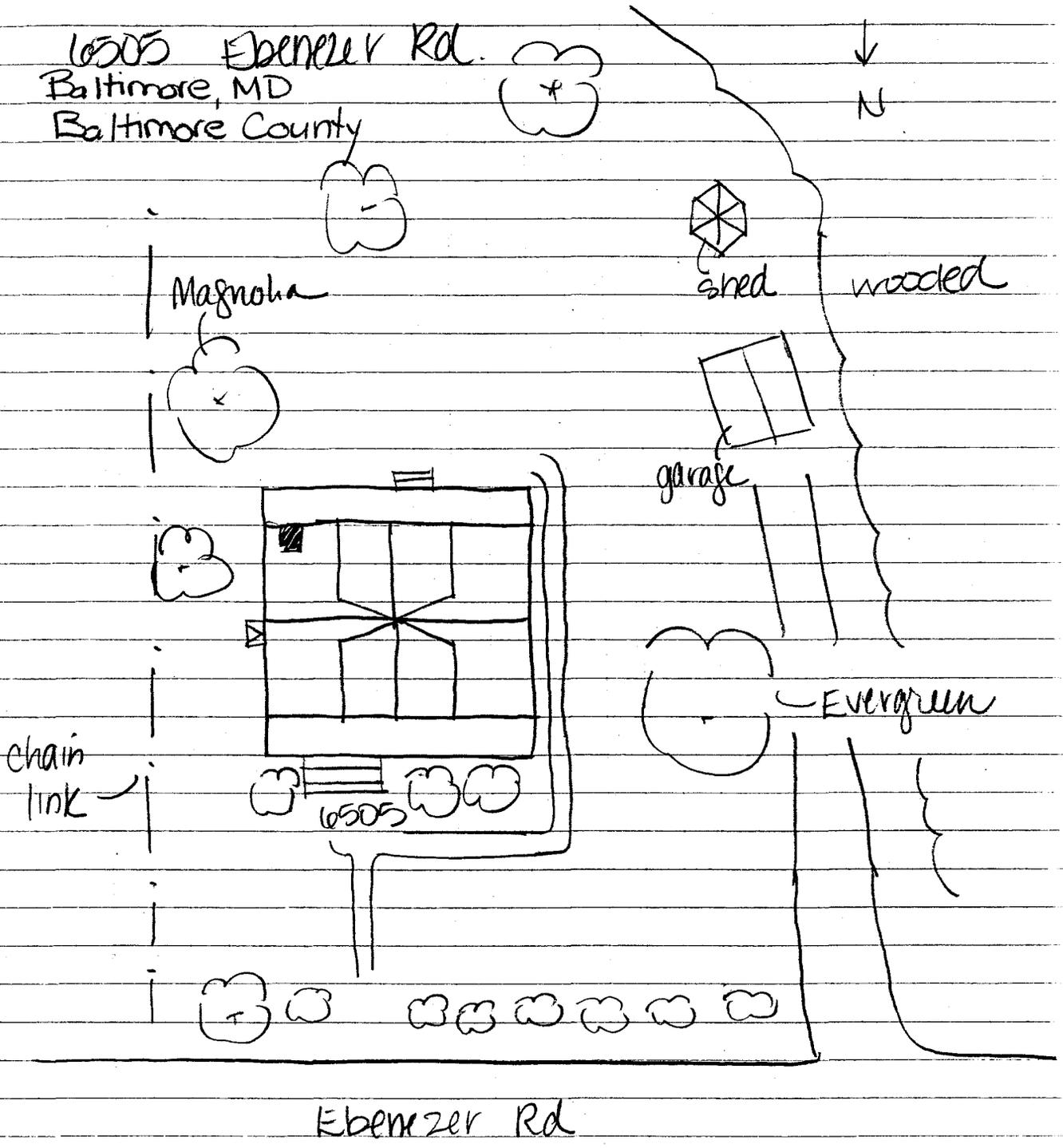
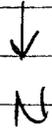
May 23, 1977: Emma E. Bender to Bernard J. Gallo and James
Henry Gallo
Land Records of Baltimore County
Liber 5756 Folio 656

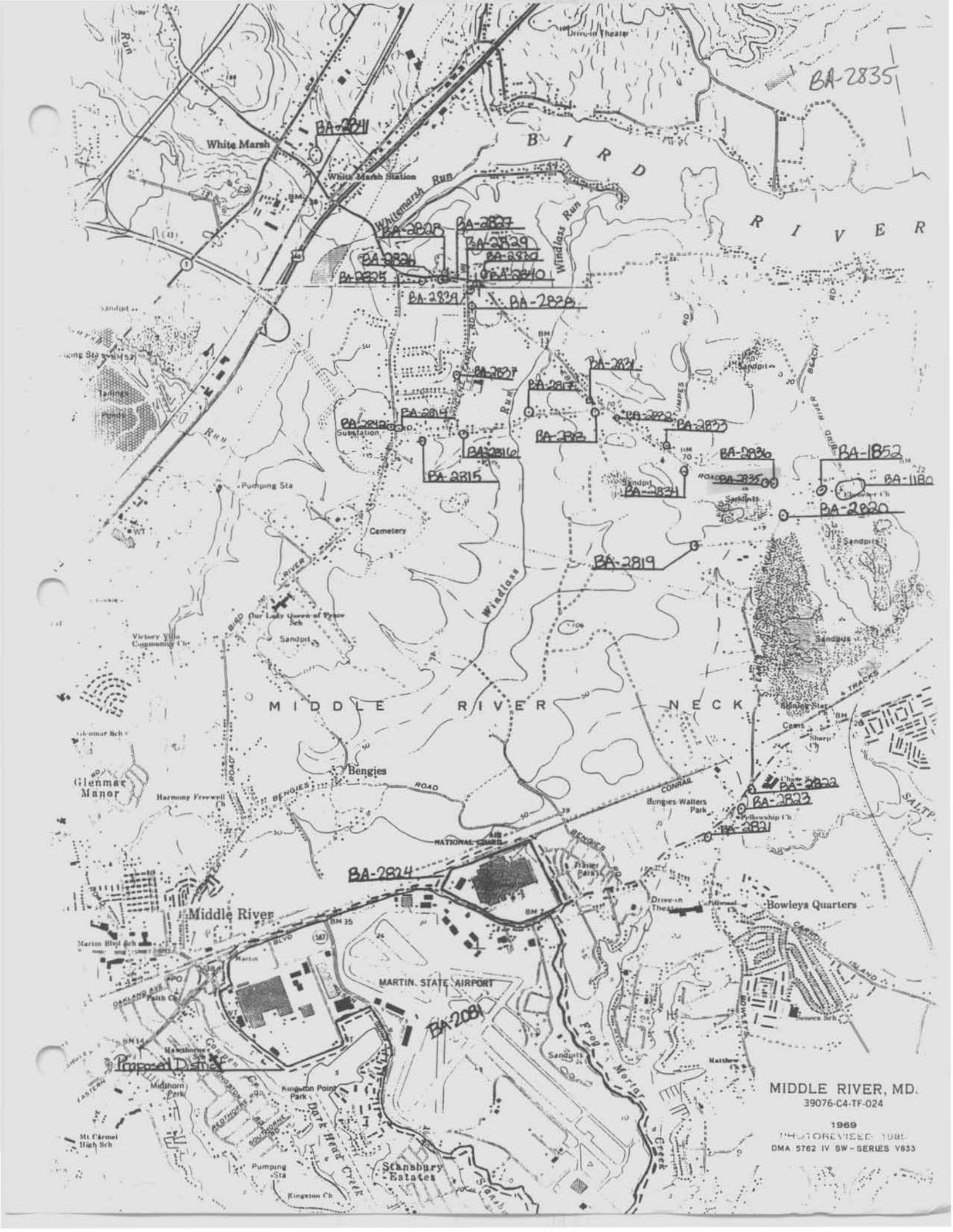
September 3, 1987: Bernard J. Gallo to Bernard J. Gallo and
Patricia A. Helman
Land Records of Baltimore County
Liber 7661 Folio 411

SKETCH MAP

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6505 Ebenezer Rd.
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Baltimore County





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BA-2821

B I R D R I V E R

White Marsh

White Marsh Station

White Marsh Run

Windlass Run

BA-2826

BA-2827

BA-2829

BA-2830

BA-2831

BA-2832

BA-2833

BA-2827

BA-2824

BA-2828

BA-2824

BA-2823

BA-2822

BA-2816

BA-2815

BA-2836

BA-1852

BA-1180

BA-2820

BA-2819

M I D D L E R I V E R N E C K

BA-2824

BA-2822

BA-2823

BA-2821

Middle River

MARTIN STATE AIRPORT

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Bowleys Quarters

Proposed Dam

MIDDLE RIVER, MD.
39076-C4-TF-024

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6505 EBENEZER RD.

BALTIMORE, MD

TRACERIES

AUGUST 1997

MARYLAND SHPO

NW CORNER

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TRACERIES

AUGUST 1997

MARYLAND SHPO

SOUTH ELEVATION

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BALTIMORE, MD
TRACERIES
AUGUST 1997
MARYLAND SHPO
NORTHEAST CORNER
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TRACERIES

AUGUST 1997

MARYLAND SHPO

SHED, GARAGE - LOOKING SW

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