

CT- 1260

APPEAL SCHOOL

(1948-1949; later additions)

Lusby

Public

This school is representative of the last period of African American elementary school construction in Calvert County. It was built to consolidate several one- and two-room schools. In design, it is a typical elementary school of its period, of brick construction, a single story in height, with flat roof and ribbons of metal-framed windows. The present sprawling configuration results from a series of additions.

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE STATE PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Appeal School (CT[✓]) (260)

a) Historical Period Theme: Social/Education/Cultural

b) Geographic Organization: Western Shore

c) Chronological/Developmental Period:

Modern Period, A.D. 1930-Present

d) Resource Type:

Category: building

Historic Environment: village

Historic Function(s) and Use(s): school

Known Design Source: none

Maryland Historical Trust
State Historic Sites Inventory Form

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. CT - 1260

Magi No.

DOE yes no

1. Name

historic Appeal School

and/or common

2. Location

street & number H.G. Trueman Road (Route 765) at Appeal Lane not for publication

city, town Lusby vicinity of congressional district

state Maryland county Calvert

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> educational	<input type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property

name Calvert County Board of Education

street & number 1305 Dares Beach Road telephone no.: 410-535-7800

city, town Prince Frederick state and zip code MD 20678-4208

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Calvert County Circuit Court Clerk's Office liber AWR 14

street & number 175 Main Street folio 266

city, town Prince Frederick state MD

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date federal state county local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

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Condition

excellent
 good
 fair

deteriorated
 ruins
 unexposed

Check one

unaltered
 altered

Check one

original site
 moved

date of move _____

Appeal School is located on the northwest side of H.G. Trueman Road (Maryland Route 765) northeast of the intersection with Maryland Route 760 (Rousby Hall Road). The rear of the property adjoins the site of Patuxent Elementary School. A large parking area is situated in front of the school.

As noted in the significance statement, the school was constructed in several phases. The earliest portion, the south block, in which the administrative offices are presently located, was constructed first. A one story, flat-roofed building, it is typical of elementary schools of its time, constructed throughout the Mid-Atlantic states. The block is fenestrated by ribbons of single-light, steel framed windows with sills constructed of projecting brick stretchers. The remainder of the walls is sheathed in common bond brick. The windows are shaded by wide corrugated panels, hung from the overhanging eaves to serve as sunshades. The roof is pierced by a large number of aluminum ventilators, and a tall brick furnace chimney projects from near the rear of the flat roof.

8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance--Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistory	<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 type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates 1948-1949

Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: A B C D
and/or
Applicable Exception: A B C D E F G
Level of Significance: national state local

The original Appeal School was erected in 1911 as a two-room school for African American students. Long-time Calvert County teacher Elizabeth Gross described this original building:

...Appeal School started out with two classrooms and then they went to four. It used to be down below the church in Appeal. It was a wooden frame building. When I arrived, there were three of us teaching. The principal teaching in the one room and myself and Arlene Heywood teaching in the other.

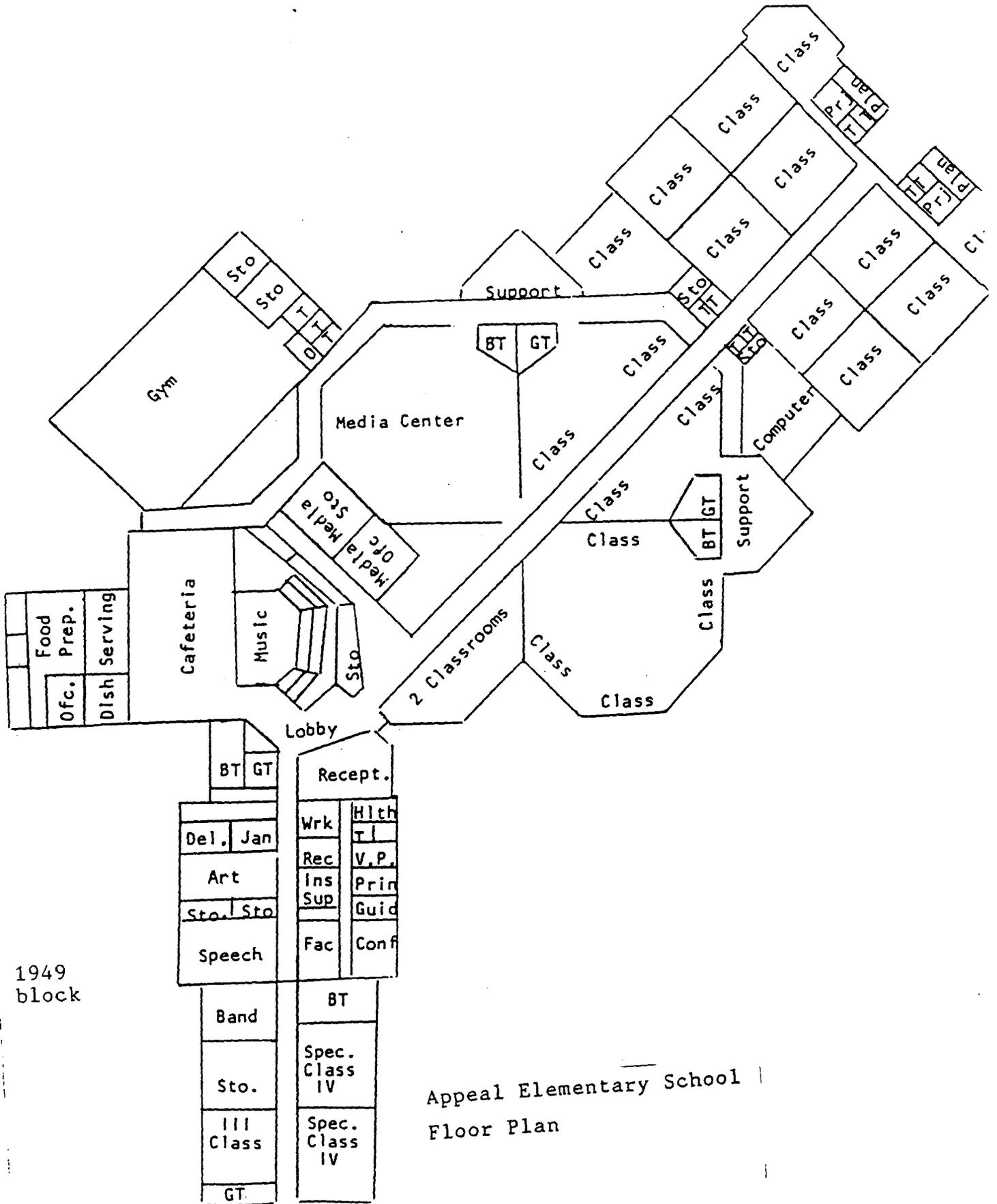
Then when they built another Appeal School...it was a brick building up the road from the first school and that had four rooms (as cited in Goddard 1995:34).

The present brick and concrete block building was constructed in a series of sections to accommodate increasing enrollment. The earliest section dates from 1948-1949, and along with Island Creek School represents the final period of African American school construction in Calvert County. As of September 30, 1954, its enrollment was 143 students. The building was expanded in 1955-1956. In the 1956-57 school years, the school contained six classrooms in which a total of 191 students were taught (Dunkle 1956:19). The original portion of the building (the south end of the present building) is now used primarily as the site of resource rooms and the administrative suite.

Appeal School was expanded again in 1971 and 1988 with additions to the north end of the original blocks. After integration, it was used as a consolidated elementary school for the south portion of the county. As of September 30, 1994, its enrollment was 614, and it contained a total of 23 teaching stations.

Because of the growth of southern Calvert County, a second elementary school, Patuxent, was recently constructed on an adjoining land parcel. Appeal School now accommodates students in grades 3 through 5, while Patuxent accommodates students in kindergarten through grade 2.

The school is historically significant as representative of the last period of segregated African American education in Calvert County. Additions made to accommodate its continued use have substantially changed the building, and it is no longer clearly identifiable as a product of its original period of construction. Therefore, it is recommended not eligible for the National Register.

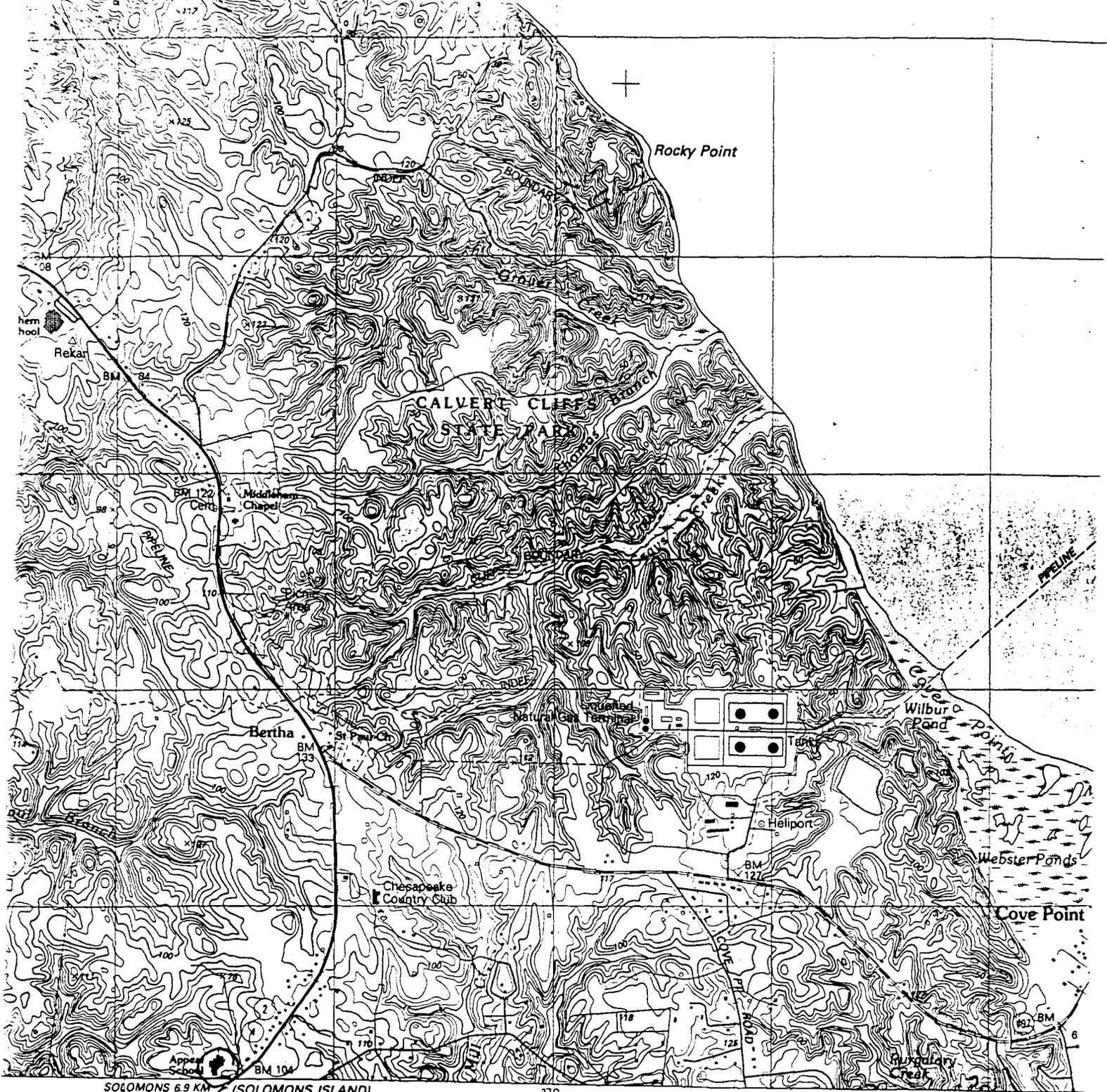


1949 block

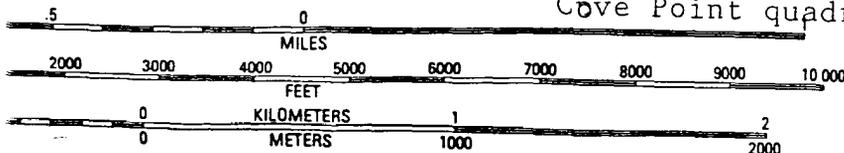
Appeal Elementary School
Floor Plan

SCHOOL FACILITY
APPEAL ELEMENTARY

Building Area		59,275 sq.ft.
Number of Floors		One (1)
Enrollment:		
Actual	9-30-94	614
Projected	9-30-95	666
Teaching Stations		23
Rated Capacity		520
Program Capacity		
Regular		525
Special		22
Total		547
Differential		
Projected to Program Capacity		119 above
Age of Structure		Constructed - 1949
General Structure		Brick & Concrete Block
Renovations and Additions		1956, 1958, 1971, 1988
Heating/Air Conditioning		Oil-fired rooftop heating and A/C units on 1971 addition; oil fired boiler for balance.
Total Site Area		31.5 acres
Amount of Site Activity Area		6.5
Water		Private well
Sewer		Septic System
Suitability of Structure		
Health		Excellent
Safety		Excellent



SCALE 1:24 000



CONTOUR INTERVAL 10 FEET
NATIONAL GEODETIC VERTICAL DATUM OF 1929

Appeal School
Lusby vicinity
Cove Point quadrangle

CT. 1260

- Primary highway, hard surface
- Secondary highway, hard surface
- Interstate R



QUADRANGLE LOCATION

MAP COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, DENVER, COLORADO 80225, OR RESTON, VIRGINIA 22092
DESCRIBING TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS AND SYMBOLS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST



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Appeal School

Alvert, Maryland

1 - in the McVarrish

March 1998

Maryland State

Dr. Frank Green towards NW

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FIRE LANE



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Appeal sheet

Column Memoranda

Donald McTear

March 1998

Memoranda

See journal 1998

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Apr 2 5.10

Calicut Market

Exp. as follows

May - 10.00

Mar - 05.00

Prod of 25.00 in 1000

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