

John N. Wilson Farm
CE-1039
Near St. Augustine
Private

C. 1860

The Wilson Farmhouse is the product of at least two 19th century building stages. The two story five bay by one room frame house is split between bays by vertical end board seams that provide exterior evidence for at least one addition. The house appears to have begun as a four bay hall/parlor house with a kitchen wing addition attached to the east gable end. The house has been slightly altered through the years but reflects change in design and mode of living. The 19th century barn buildings, however, are of more interest architecturally. The 19th century farm building complex remains basically intact with examples of mid 19th century barn and outbuilding braced frame construction. The complex includes a box frame barn with shed additions on either side, a central passage granary with side cribs and further shed additions for wagon storage, a chicken coop, a milk house, along with an iron windmill. The barn is especially unusual with four double door entrances to one shed. According to the owner they were used for quick access for dry storage of hay in the event of rain in the midst of harvest. It is not known whether these doors were included in the initial construction for that expressed purpose or for something else.

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1 NAME

HISTORIC ~~John~~ J. N. Wilson House
AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER R South St. Augustine Road

CITY, TOWN Chesapeake City

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 1

STATE Maryland

COUNTY Cecil

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" 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 checked="" 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"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME W. Burton Wilson, etal

Telephone #:

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CITY, TOWN Middletown

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code Delaware 19709

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Clerk of the Circuit Court

Liber #: NBS 29
Folio #: 258

STREET & NUMBER Cecil County Courthouse

CITY, TOWN Elkton

STATE Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" 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 J.N. Wilson House c. 1860 is the product of at least two 19th century building-stages. The two story frame structure faces south with the main gable running east/west.

The weatherboard frame house is ^{five} ~~seven~~ bays across by one room deep. The central three of the seven appear to be the original structure. Two story two bay by one room additions were added to both ends. The original three bay house was a hall/parlor plan. The 9/9 sash on the first floor of the ^{central} ~~west~~ section, the 6/6 on the western addition, and the 8/8 on the eastern section are all flanked by two panel shutters. The 6/6 sash on the second floor are with ^{half} blinds. The main entrance is the third bay from the west and has a multi-pane colored light on on each side. The four panel door is flanked by sidelights and a transom is overhead. The roof is of medium pitch with a composition tile sheathing. The entire house rests on a fieldstone foundation.

The east gable end has a shed addition which has protected the earlier sawn weatherboards, that were applied with cut nails. The second floor has two 6/6 sash and a smaller light.illuminates the attic. A narrow brick stove stack rises out of the west end of the kitchen section.

The west end is similarly detailed with the addition of a large exterior stack.

The north side is primarily plain with multi-pane windows.

The interior is typical ^{of} ~~with~~ the late 19th and early 20th century with alterations have ^{been} ~~ing~~ being made. The heavily turned newel post and balusters support a flat oval handrail. A large archway opens into a small sitting room behind the staircase. French doors open into the dining room. The kitchen has horizontal board wainscoting and a winder stair in the northeast corner.

19th century farm structures exist and include a large barn with shed additions. The north side ^{of the barn} ~~has~~ four sets of double doors which according to the owner was used for quick hay storage. The barn is typically framed. A granary with central passage and shed roofed side aisles accompanies the chicken coops and an iron windmill. All the buildings ^{have} ~~are~~ of mid 19th century or later hardware ^{and} are

covered with vertical board siding.

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PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Wilson Farmhouse is not particularly important but the set of 19th century barns of farm structures is a more complete representation than what is usually found. The set of double doors on the north side are an unusual feature. The farm is presently owned by the Wilson Family who also owned it in 1877 (J.N. Wilson -Lake, Griffing, Stevenson).

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

STATE COUNTY

STATE COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

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DATE

9/24/89

STREET & NUMBER

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CITY OR TOWN

Elkton

STATE

Maryland

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J. N. WALSON HOUSE

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