

Martin-Etherington-Major House
CE-1058
Near Chesapeake City
Private

C. 1850, 1900

The above house was built in two stages as indicated by the two separate dates. The two story ~~three~~ bay side hall/parlor frame front block was extended northward by a slightly higher two story five bay rear frame addition, whose shingled peak is visible from the front of the house.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

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1 NAME

HISTORIC

MARTIN - Etherington-Major House

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Courthouse Point Road 1/2 mile west of Route 213

CITY, TOWN

Chesapeake City VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

1

STATE

Elkton

COUNTY

Maryland

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

Alvin J. Major

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STREET & NUMBER

265 Courthouse Point Road

CITY, TOWN

Chesapeake City VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21915

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Clerk of the Circuit Court

Liber #: WAS 303

Folio #: 375

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 checked="" 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

MARTIN -

The Etherington-Major House c. 1850 and 1880 is the combination of two separate 19th century building periods. The front side hall/parlor house is three bays across by one room deep and dates from the mid 19th century. In the 1880's a slightly taller five bay by one room rear wing was attached to the north side. The house faces south and Courthouse Point Road.

The entire house rests a partial fieldstone and brick foundation with a full basement under the later section. The whole house is covered with narrow weatherboard siding and capped with a medium sloped composition tile roof. The rear addition is three feet taller than the front block so the south gable end is slightly exposed and covered with irregular wood shingles.

The symmetrically oriented facade has a two panel front door with two light transom that occupies the westernmost bay. 2/2 sash windows light the front room. Three identical windows illuminate the second floor. A small boxed cornice stretches across the base of the roof but the eaves are extended which covers the cornice.

The gable ends are basically the same with single 2/2 sash that light each floor and two four pane attic lights. An exterior brick stack has been added to the west end. The east end contains the original brick chimney with corbelled cap. The area between the top plate and roof on each end is covered with irregular wood shingles. The eaves are extended with the soffits open.

The rear addition is similarly detailed with two over two sash and plain surrounds. The eaves are also extended on the back. Two gabled 2/2 sash dormers are found on the east slope of the roof. A side entrance is found on the east wall. The second bay from the north. An off center gable end brick stack does rise to heat the kitchen and upstairs back bedrooms.

The interior of the front block is typically detailed with mid 19th century woodwork. Two panel doors with heavy ogee moldings are framed by fluted surrounds with corner blocks.

The large frame barn is totally covered with asbestos siding. The structure rests on a fieldstone foundation and is covered by corrugated tin roof. A projecting bank entrance to the second

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floor is found on the north side. The structural framing is a typical box frame with a diagonally braced roof. Frame wagon sheds are also found west of the barn.

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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Etherington-Major House provides more evidence of the widespread employment of partial "Georgian" plans for rural farmhouses. The form is fairly common throughout the county in all types of construction. The house is located on both Cecil County Historical Maps. (1858, Wm. A. Martin - 1877, J. H. Etherington)

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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

11 FORM PREPARED BY

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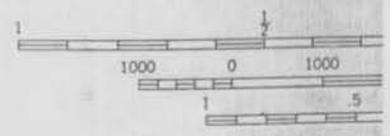
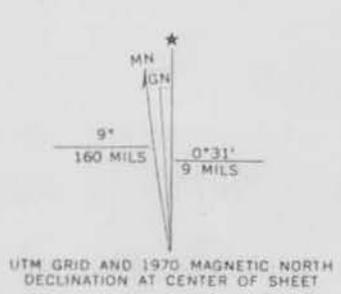
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 Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum
 10,000-foot grids based on Maryland and Delaware coordinate systems
 Red tint indicates area in which only landmark buildings are shown
 1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks, zone 18, shown in blue



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THIS MAP COMPLIES FOR SALE BY U. S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY A FOLDER DESCRIBING TOPOGRAPHY

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MARTIN -

ETHEKINGTON - MAJOR HOUSE

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WEST ELEVATION

NR

CHES. CITY, MD.

CELIC

JBT 10/79

NEG. - MHT



MARTIN -
ETHEKINGTON - MASON HOUSE CE-1058

SOUTHEAST ELEVATION

NR
CHESAPEAKE CITY, MD. CECIL

FIST 10/79 WEG - MHT



MARTIN -

CE - 1058

ETHERINGTON, MAJOR HOUSE

SOUTH ELEVATION

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VBT

10/79

NEG. - MHT



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MARTIN -

ETHERINGTON - MASON HOUSE

NORTH ELEVATION

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CHESAPEAKE CITY, MD. CELL

PBT

10/79

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MARTIN -

LEATHERINGTON - MASON

HOUSE

CE-1058

SOUTH ELEVATION

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CHESAPEAKE CITY, MD.

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