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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

NOMINATION FORM  
for the  
NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

**1. NAME**

COMMON: *Site of Customs House*

AND/OR HISTORIC:

**2. LOCATION**

STREET AND NUMBER: *Southeast of the corner of Conostoga & Water St*

CITY OR TOWN: *Charleston*

STATE: *Md* COUNTY: *Cecil*

**3. CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	<input type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) <i>Public park</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Comments

**4. OWNER OF PROPERTY**

OWNER'S NAME: *Town of Charleston*

STREET AND NUMBER: *Bladen & Market Streets*

CITY OR TOWN: *Charleston* STATE: *Maryland*

**5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

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

STREET AND NUMBER: *Cecil County Courthouse*

CITY OR TOWN: *Elkton* STATE: *Md*

Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #):

**6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE OF SURVEY:

DATE OF SURVEY:  Federal  State  County  Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: STATE:



**B. SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- Pre-Columbian
- 15th Century
- 16th Century
- 17th Century
- 18th Century
- 19th Century
- 20th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal     | <input type="checkbox"/> Education   | <input type="checkbox"/> Political                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric    | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Phi-             | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic       | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry    | osophy   | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture    | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention   | <input type="checkbox"/> Science                   | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture   | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape   | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture                 | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art            | Architecture                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Human-             | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce       | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature  | itarian  | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Military    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Theater        | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation   | <input type="checkbox"/> Music       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____                                    |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

A customs house stood at the water's edge here in Colonial times since Charles town was an international port and the seat of Cecil County.

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Interview with Nelson Mc Call at site 2 Dec. 73.

**10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreage Justification:

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

STATE:		COUNTY:	

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**11. FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME AND TITLE:

ORGANIZATION: **JEAN S. EWING** DATE:

STREET AND NUMBER: **MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST**

**2525 RIVA ROAD**

CITY OR TOWN: **ANNAPOLIS** STATE: **MARYLAND**

**12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)**

Significance of this property is:

National  State  Local

Signature \_\_\_\_\_



## CHARLESTOWN WHARF

When the General Assembly of the Province of Maryland enacted a law in 1742 to build a town at Long Point on the North East River—a town to be called Charlestown— it also enacted a law to build a wharf at the same site. The wharf extended 300 feet out into the river and was wide enough for the passage of three wagons. It was built of heavy log cribbing, filled with stones not native to this area, which were probably brought in as ship ballast. In addition to the wharf itself, there stood here an inspection house for inspecting and grading flour before it was shipped. Grains were stored in a massive stone warehouse, three stories high, eighty feet long with first floor walls 36 inches thick. During the Revolutionary War, Charlestown was a supply depot for the Continental Army. At that time, supplies were stored in the warehouse and were brought to Charlestown by ship and barge from the southern part of the state.



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Charlestown

Seneca Pt

Hance Pt

Roach Pt

Morning  
Cheer  
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Northeast Heights

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