

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Ford Farm  
AND/OR COMMON

Clark Farm

Burned?

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Eastern end of Thomas Ave. across from cemetery

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

North East

VICINITY OF

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 checked="" 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                   | <b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>                   | <b>ACCESSIBLE</b>                                   | <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 Christopher Clark

Telephone #: 287-5092

STREET & NUMBER 404 Thomas Ave

CITY, TOWN North East

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code Maryland

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

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

Liber #: WAS 1

Folio #: 52

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

CE-751

**7 DESCRIPTION**

|                                          |                                       |                                             |                                                   |
|------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| <b>CONDITION</b>                         |                                       | <b>CHECK ONE</b>                            | <b>CHECK ONE</b>                                  |
| <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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAIR | <input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED    |                                             |                                                   |

**DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE**

The Clark Farmhouse is a structure built partly of brick and wood. The original house is the western end of the house. It is a two story brick building two bays square. The bricks are laid in a combination of common bond and a scattering of flemish bond. There is a large covered over fireplace in the east gable of this section with a hewn wooden lentil. There is a break neck stair to the second floor. This section has a gable roof which has pinned rafters and cross ties. The flooring on the first floor is tongue and grove. There is an entrance on the south side. The north wall is stuccoed and a small two story frame addition has been added to the west gable end.

The main part of the house is a large three bay long by two bay deep frame structure built around 1820. It is two stories in height with a gable roof covered with asphalt shingles. The earliest siding on the house is level siding which is on the rear wall the east gable has aluminum siding while the front has German siding. There is a one story porch on the rear and front. The house has a central entrance with a four light transom. There was a central stair hall with a room to each side with fireplace. In the east room is a stepped mantel with incised panels. Another mantel like it was in the west room The window sash is 6/6.

The house has a stone foundation with cellar.

# 8 SIGNIFICANCE

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| PERIOD                                        | AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW |                                                 |                                                         |                                              |
|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC          | <input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC  | <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 checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION              | <input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY                       | <input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799 | <input type="checkbox"/> ART                     | <input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING            | <input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC                          | <input type="checkbox"/> THEATER             |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899 | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE                | <input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT | <input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY                     | <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1900-                | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS          | <input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT | <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)     |
|                                               |                                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION              |                                                         |                                              |

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Clark Farm was the property of the Ford family until the turn of the century. The Fords were farmers business people of some local prominence. Several of them served as delegates to the state assembly.

The house is in fair condition and could be restored. Further research might reveal important historical information.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

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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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DATE Feb. 1977

STREET & NUMBER RD2

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Rising Sun

STATE

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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