

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

MD. HISTORICAL TRUST  
BOX 1704  
ANNAPOLIS, MD. 21404

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE:	
COUNTY:	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE

**1. NAME**

COMMON: ELMWOOD

AND/OR HISTORIC:

**2. LOCATION**

STREET AND NUMBER: NEWBURG AT WAYSIDE

CITY OR TOWN:

STATE: MARYLAND CODE: COUNTY: CHARLES CODE:

**3. CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
District <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Both <input type="checkbox"/>	Occupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes: Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input type="checkbox"/>	Public Acquisition: In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered <input type="checkbox"/>		

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/>	Government <input type="checkbox"/>	Park <input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation <input type="checkbox"/>	Comments <input type="checkbox"/>
Commercial <input type="checkbox"/>	Industrial <input type="checkbox"/>	Private Residence <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/>	
Educational <input type="checkbox"/>	Military <input type="checkbox"/>	Religious <input type="checkbox"/>		
Entertainment <input type="checkbox"/>	Museum <input type="checkbox"/>	Scientific <input type="checkbox"/>		

**4. OWNER OF PROPERTY**

OWNERS NAME: JOHN BINERICK

STREET AND NUMBER: ELMWOOD

CITY OR TOWN: NEWBURG STATE: MARYLAND CODE:

**5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: CHARLES COUNTY CT. HSE.

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: LA PIATA STATE: MD. CODE:

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

**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: CODE:

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

STATE: COUNTY: ENTRY NUMBER DATE

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## 7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	Excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Good <input type="checkbox"/>	Fair <input type="checkbox"/>	Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/>	Ruins <input type="checkbox"/>	Unexposed <input type="checkbox"/>
INTEGRITY	(Check One)		(Check One)			
	Altered <input type="checkbox"/>	Unaltered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Moved <input type="checkbox"/>	Original Site <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

DIRECTIONS: RTE 257 from 301 (E) (NEWBURG)  
 APPROX 1/3 MI. ON LEFT FROM MORGANTOWN RD.  
 (RTE. 229). - (HIST. MARKER AT NEWBURG TURNOFF,  
 MARKER AT MIDDLE ISLAND GIVING DIST. AND INFO.  
 ON (CAPT.) JAMES NEAL'S WOLLASTON MANOR)

PROBABLY DUE TO THE WROUGHT IRON  
 GRILL WORK AT THE FACADE AND THE ALMOST  
 STERILE EFFECT OF THE FARM YOU FEEL THE  
 HOUSE AND ENVIRONS ARE 20TH CENT. THIS  
 MAY HOLD TRUE FOR THE BARN, STABLES,  
 AND TENANT HSES. BUT IS NOT APPLICABLE  
 TO THE MAIN HSE. WHILE THE HSE IS BY  
 NO MEANS ANCIENT IS DESERVES NOTE  
 FOR THE QUALITY OF ITS CLEAN, FREE DESIGN.

WITH AN "A" PLAN ROOF THE RIDGE OF  
 WHICH RONS E-W THE HSE IS 2 STOREYS  
 IN HEIGHT WITH 5 "BAYS" AT BOTH THE 1ST.  
 AND SECOND FLOOR LEVELS S. FRONT.  
 THE 4 FIRST FLOOR WINDOWS ARE GROUPED  
 IN \* PAIRS COMPOSED OF 2 LONG NARROW  
 WINDOWS EACH OF 4/6 PANES AT EACH SIDE  
 OF THE CENTER DOOR - AT THE 2ND. LEVEL  
 THE WINDOWS ARE SPACED WIDER APART  
 WITH 4/4 PANES, ARE SOMEWHAT SMALLER  
 AND FLANK (2 TO A SIDE) THE CENTER  
 DOOR WHICH GIVES ACCESS TO THE 2ND.  
 LEVEL OF THE PORCH. THE MAIN FRONT  
 DOOR HAS A OVERLIGHT OF 3 PANES WHILE  
 THE 2ND. LEVEL POSSESSES ONE OF 2 LIGHTS.

THE GABLE ENDS ARE STUCCO (OVER  
 BRICK?) WITH A ROUND LOUVERED ATTIC  
 LEVEL VENT. DEEP GAVES AT THE ENDS  
 AND CORNICE BOXING WHICH EXTENDS  
~~BACK INTO THE ENDS GIVES THE HOUSE A~~  
~~FEELING OF BORDERING ON THE VERY LATE~~  
~~GEORGIAN (VICTORIAN) WITH A HINT OF~~  
 THE 2 VICTORIAN CHIMNEYS ARE  
 SPACED NEAR THE CENTER OF THE ROOF  
 RIDGE.

THERE IS A 20TH CENTURY ADDITION  
 TO THE E END. OF 1 STOREY WITH 2

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B. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Pre-Columbian  16th Century  18th Century  20th Century   
 15th Century  17th Century  19th Century  CA. 1850

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Include Personages, Dates, Events, Etc.)

BAYS AT THE 1ST. LEVEL (WINDOWS - 2/6 PANES) WITH 2 "A" ROOF SQUARE DORMERS AT THE ROOF LEVEL.\* AT THE EAST EXPOSED END IS A EXTERIOR CHIMNEY WITH SHALLOW HIPS.

THE WROUGHT IRON PORCH AT THE S FRONT OF THE MAIN BLOCK GIVES THE HOUSE A NEW ORLEANS FLAVOR ESP. WHEN VIEWED FROM THE DRIVE-WAY ENTRANCE. THE POSTS AND RAILS ARE IN A VEARY VINE DESIGN. IT APPEARS THAT THIS PORCH IS ORIGINAL OR AT LEAST ADDED SHORTLY AFTER THE MAIN BLOCK.

THE HSE. COMMANDS A FINE VIEW FROM A HILL TOP AND IS SHELTERED BY A VARIETY OF TREES MANY OF WHICH APPEAR TO BE SPECIES OF OAK AND A FEW ELMS.

(ALL WINDOWS ARE SHUTTERED WITH THE 1ST. LEVEL MAIN BLOCK POSSESSING 1 SHUTTER TO EA. WINDOW).



\* 3/3 panes WITH CLAPBRD. SIDES,

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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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 ONE ACRE		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
NW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
NE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: Richard Pivovitz

ORGANIZATION: MHT DATE: 8/28

STREET AND NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY OR TOWN: Annapolis STATE: md. CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National  State  Local

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Keeper of The National Register

Date \_\_\_\_\_

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

1. STATE <i>Md.</i> COUNTY <i>Chas.</i> TOWN <i>Wayside</i> VICINITY <i>Newburg</i> STREET NO. <i>Newburg-Cobscook Island Rd.</i>  ORIGINAL OWNER ORIGINAL USE <i>dwelling</i> PRESENT OWNER <i>John Binerick</i> PRESENT USE <i>dwelling</i> WALL CONSTRUCTION <i>brick stucco (?)</i> NO. OF STORIES <i>2</i>	HIST AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY INVENTORY
	2. NAME <i>Elimwood</i>  DATE OR PERIOD <i>c. 1840 or later</i> STYLE ARCHITECT BUILDER
3. FOR LIBRARY OF CONGRESS USE	

4. NOTABLE FEATURES, HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND DESCRIPTION  <p>"A" roof E-W.          Small stoves (Vict.) chimneys          5 bays 1st. + 2nd. center door          1 1/2 storey add. to E gable end 1 bay + 1 dormer          Front porch (2 level) of wrought iron grille work</p> <p>seen from rd.          N side of rd. just past Christ Church + Morgantown Rd.</p>	OPEN TO PUBLIC
5. PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE	Endangered Interior Exterior

6. LOCATION MAP (Plan Optional)	7. PHOTOGRAPH
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8. PUBLISHED SOURCES (Author, Title, Pages) INTERVIEWS, RECORDS, PHOTOS, ETC.
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9. NAME, ADDRESS AND TITLE OF RECORDER   DATE OF RECORD
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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION AND PHOTOGRAPHS MAY BE ADDED ON SHEET OF SAME SIZE



## ADDENDUM

CH-64  
Charleston (Demolished)  
Charles County, MD  
Issue vicinity  
Cathy Currey Hardy, December 2001

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### 7. Description

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Charleston was demolished in the spring of 1994. Prior to its demolition, the building was extensively documented by J. Richard Rivoire whose research material, photographs and measured drawings are housed at the Southern Maryland Studies Center, College of Southern Maryland in LaPlata. Information on Charleston was published in *Homeplaces: Traditional Domestic Architecture of Charles County, Maryland*.<sup>1</sup> The 817 acre parcel associated with the structure was subdivided in 1994 and renamed Charleston Estates.

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### 8. Geographical Data

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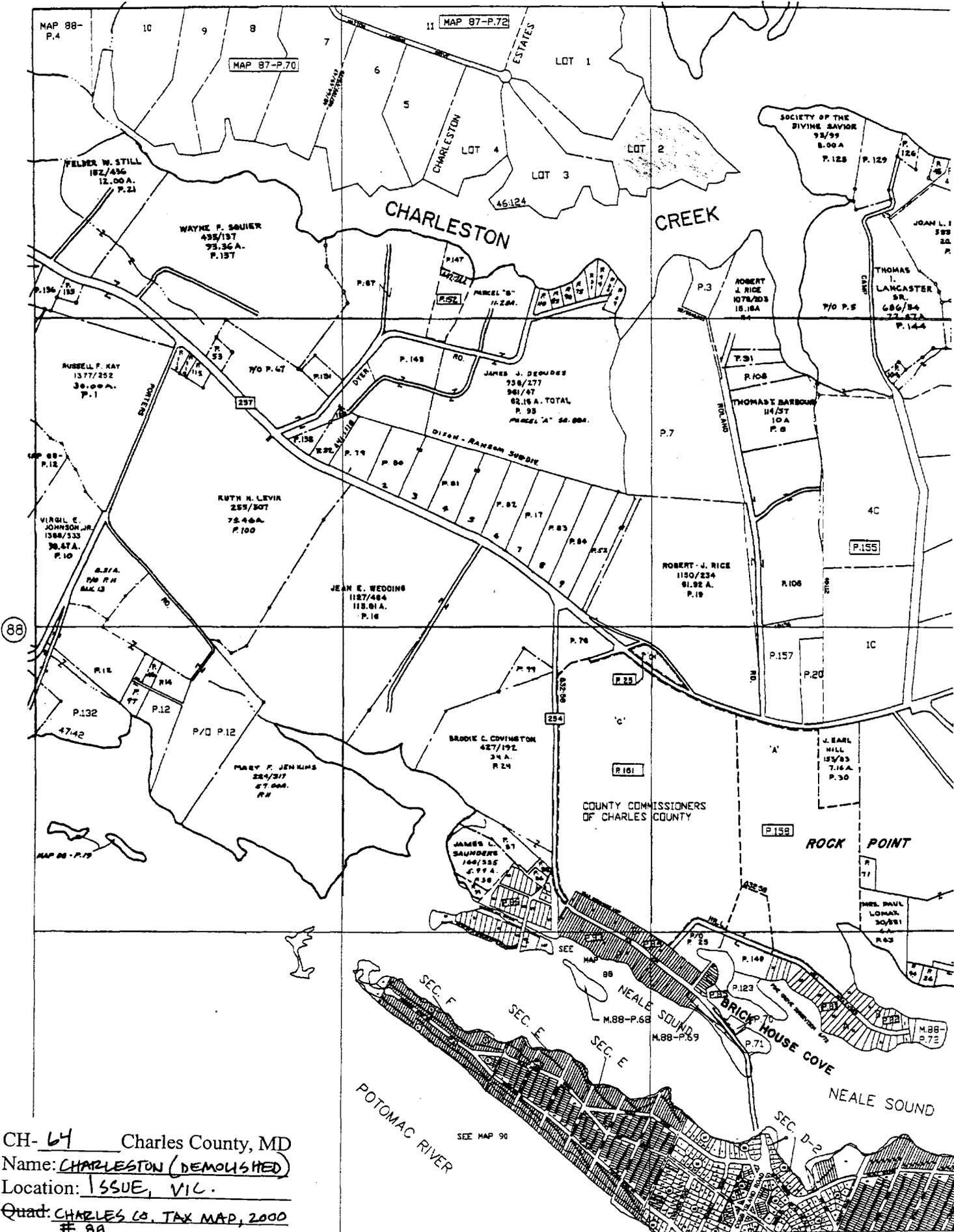
Charleston is described as facing south near the waterside between Charleston Creek and an unnamed inlet. Presumably, the house stood on what is now Lot 2 of Charleston Estates found on Charles County Property Tax Map 87, Parcel 70.

The current address is 15270 Hatton Landing Road.

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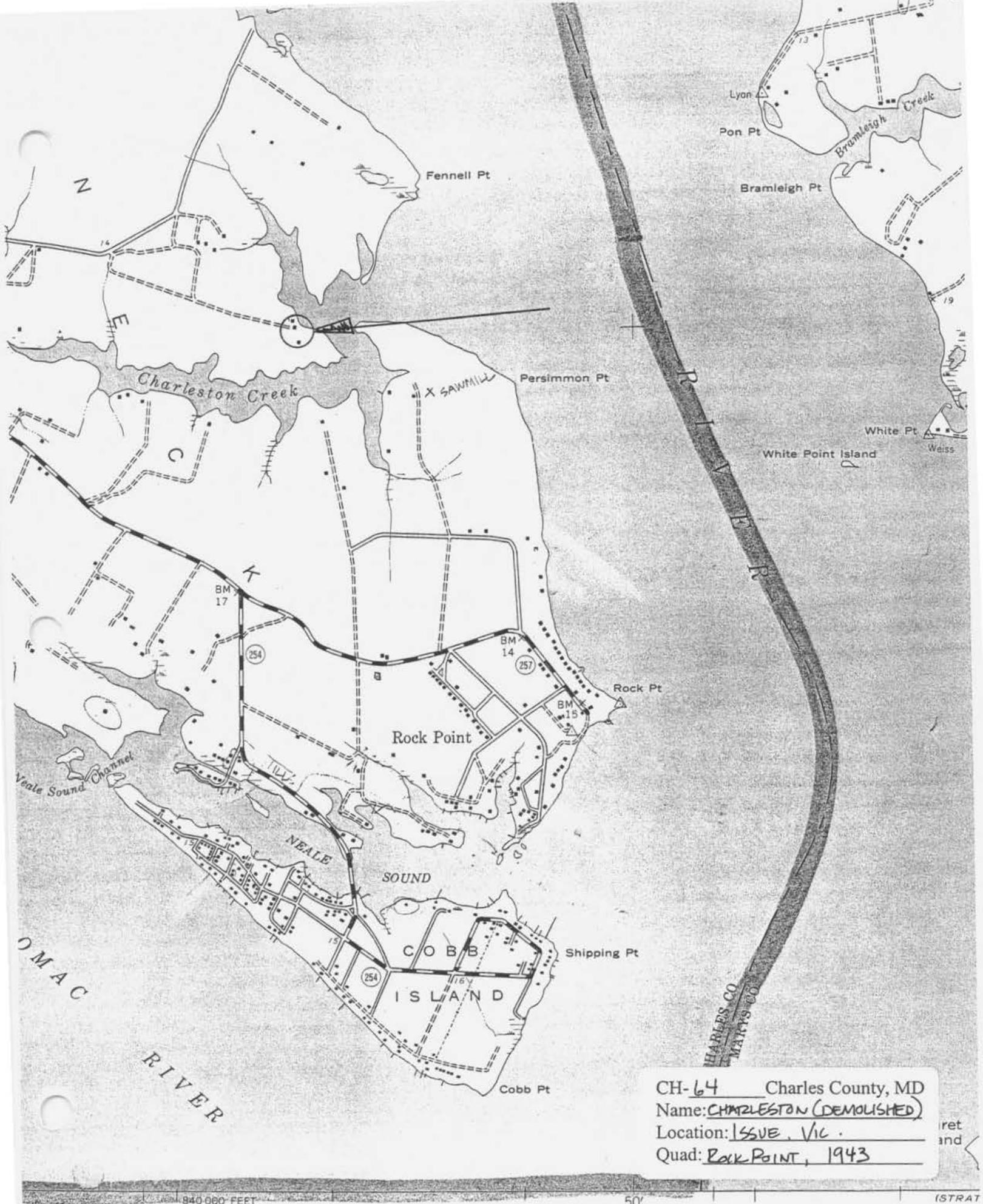
<sup>1</sup> Rivoire, J. Richard. Homeplaces: Traditional Domestic Architecture of Charles County.  
LaPlata, MD: Southern Maryland Studies Center, College of Southern Maryland, 1990. pp. 162-165.

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CH- 64 Charles County, MD  
 Name: CHARLESTON (DEMOLISHED)  
 Location: ISSUE, VIC.  
 Quad: CHARLES CO. TAX MAP, 2000  
# 89

68065.5mN  
4:0999.5mE



CH-64 Charles County, MD  
 Name: CHARLESTON (DEMOLISHED)  
 Location: ISSUE, VIC.  
 Quad: ROCK POINT, 1943

CHAS-64  
CHARLESTON  
Private

early 19th century

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The west end of Charleston also has a centered chimney, but it was built completely outside the wall. There is a single window at each floor level to the left of the chimney and both are believed to be later additions. In the gable are two additional windows. Plaster traces on the brick at the first floor level of the chimney indicate that a second wing stood here. It was replaced early in this century by a smaller, one-room frame structure.

The exterior walls of Charleston are now covered by composition siding. The original wall covering was evidently removed prior to or at the time the existing sheathing was applied. The gable roof is covered with corrugated tin. A sketch of Charleston that appears in H. Chandler Forman's Early Manor and Plantation Houses of Maryland (Easton, Maryland, 1934, p. 73), shows a single pedimented dormer on the north side of the roof. All evidence of this dormer, however, was removed when the roof was resheathed.

Despite extensive vandalism, Charleston's interior retains a sufficient amount of decorative woodwork to be a fair reflection of the taste and prosperity of its presumed builder, Daniel Jenifer. The first floor room configuration consists of a front stair hall extending westward about half the width of the front of the house. A door in its east wall opens into a commodious room (18 x 24 feet), decorated with a coved plaster ceiling cornice and wide molded chairrails. The four large windows lighting this room give it a bright and airy appearance. Fronting the large east end fireplace was an elaborate mantel with a carved sunburst on the frieze and reeded pilasters. This mantel, almost a duplicate of one at "Rock Hall", was removed from the house several years ago and is stored on an adjacent property.

A door on the north wall of the hall opens into what was probably a dining room, also large (16 feet square) and well lighted. Unlike the main room it does not have a plaster ceiling cornice, but it does have chairrails. Fronting the fireplace is a mantel with a sunburst on the frieze and reeded pilasters, but it is of a somewhat less elaborate design than that which graced the east room. The staircase rises along the north wall of the hall in two flights to the second floor. Its balustrade had delicately turned posts and a molded rail, all of which has been broken and scattered throughout the house. All of the original window and door trim of the first floor, consisting of molded one-piece surrounds with roundels, remain; the six panel doors and window sash, however, have been broken or otherwise disfigured.

The second floor has three bedrooms, two at the east end and one over the dining room. The stair hall is ell-shaped, extending

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Page 3

from the southwest corner of the house and then turning to form a center passage. At the point where the hall turns is a narrow enclosed stair leading to the attic.

The two, east end, second floor bedrooms have cater-cornered fireplaces, neither of which retains its mantel. Both rooms open off from the central passage. The third bedroom is somewhat larger than the other two and has a fireplace flush to the end wall. The only woodwork remaining in these rooms are the door and window facings. As on the first floor the doors and sash, if not missing altogether, have been broken or disfigured. In the attic there are two bedchambers, separated by the enclosed stair. At the north end of the second floor hall, and the same end of the attic stair, are shallow closets with paneled doors. At the north end of the east wall of the northwest second floor room is a small narrow door that, mounted on the wall about four feet above the floor, opens into a shallow cupboard.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

CH-64

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY MBI # 09064504

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

CHARLESTON

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

Hatton Creek Road

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

VICINITY OF Issue

1st

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Charles

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

**CATEGORY**

- DISTRICT
- BUILDING(S)
- STRUCTURE
- SITE
- OBJECT

**OWNERSHIP**

- PUBLIC
- PRIVATE
- BOTH
- PUBLIC ACQUISITION**
- IN PROCESS
- BEING CONSIDERED

**STATUS**

- OCCUPIED
- UNOCCUPIED
- WORK IN PROGRESS
- ACCESSIBLE**
- YES RESTRICTED
- YES UNRESTRICTED
- NO

**PRESENT USE**

- AGRICULTURE
- MUSEUM
- COMMERCIAL
- PARK
- EDUCATIONAL
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- ENTERTAINMENT
- RELIGIOUS
- GOVERNMENT
- SCIENTIFIC
- INDUSTRIAL
- TRANSPORTATION
- MILITARY
- OTHER ABD.

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

The Charleston Corporation  
c/o Robert Merrick

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

Equitable Trust Company

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Charles County Courthouse

Liber #: 218

Folio #: 348

STREET & NUMBER

Charles Street (P.O. Box B)

CITY, TOWN

La Plata

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input 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

A two-story frame house with end chimneys, Charleston is situated on a narrow peninsula of land bordered by Charleston Creek and an inlet of the Wicomico River. The principal facade faces south, onto tobacco fields and Charleston Creek. The rear of the house faces onto immense boxwood bordering a former walk that led toward the water and an old boat landing and pier. Surrounding the house are vestiges of flowering trees and shrubs, many of which are obviously very old.

Having been abandoned for several years, Charleston has unfortunately suffered extensive vandalism. Although the house is structurally sound, a major portion of the original interior woodwork has been mutilated or stolen. However, a sufficient amount of original woodwork remains to establish a reasonably accurate picture of its original appearance.

A rectangular building, three bays wide on both floor levels of the south front, Charleston closely resembles nearby "Rock Hall," (CH-85), a brick house of about the same age and design. This elevation has a transomed, off-centered door, to the right of which are two windows of 9-over-9 sash. At the second floor there are three windows of 9-over-6 sash. The second floor windows are irregularly placed and are not aligned with the openings below. The top face board of the entrance door was once decorated with applied moldings in a running diamond pattern, only the outline of which remains. Applied molding strips in a sawtooth pattern decorate the face board of the eave cornice.

On the north side the house has four regularly spaced windows at both floor levels, with 9-over-9 sash below and 9-over-6 sash above. The face board of the cornice carries the same decorative trim as the north front.

At the east end of the house is a single brick chimney, the main body of which is built inside the end wall of the house. Its rear wall, however, projects out from the frame wall by ten inches. This is an extremely unusual treatment for the region but is often seen in the Northern Neck region of Virginia just across the Potomac River. To the left of the chimney at the first floor is a wide doorway. Traces of plaster on the chimney indicate that at one time there was a one-story wing at this end of the house, but it does not appear that the wing was original to the main block. At the second floor level of the east end are two windows, one on each side of the chimney, and two small windows at the attic level.

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CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

JOB		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 type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER		
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION				

SPECIFIC DATES	BUILDER/ARCHITECT	Daniel Jenifer
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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

**VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION**

Charleston is situated on a 817-acre tract of land identified as parcel 14, Map 87 and 89 of the Charles County Tax Map (revised Jan. 1976)

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

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

J. Richard Rivoire, Consultant

ORGANIZATION

Charles County Planning Department

DATE

January 1, 1978

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Charles County Courthouse

TELEPHONE

645-6537

CITY OR TOWN

La Plata

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.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust  
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438

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INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

CH 64  
0900645304

STATE:	
COUNTY:	
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ENTRY NUMBER	DATE

**1. NAME**

COMMON: "CHARLESTON"

AND/OR HISTORIC:

**2. LOCATION**

STREET AND NUMBER: Hatton Creek Road

CITY OR TOWN: Issue

STATE: Maryland      CODE:      COUNTY: Charles      CODE:

**3. CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
District <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Public <input type="checkbox"/> Public Acquisition:	Occupied <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/>
Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/>	Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/>	Unoccupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Restricted <input type="checkbox"/>
Object <input type="checkbox"/>	Both <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered <input type="checkbox"/>	Preservation work in progress <input type="checkbox"/>	Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/>
			No: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/>	Government <input type="checkbox"/>	Park <input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation <input type="checkbox"/>	Comments <input type="checkbox"/>
Commercial <input type="checkbox"/>	Industrial <input type="checkbox"/>	Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/>	Other (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/>	
Educational <input type="checkbox"/>	Military <input type="checkbox"/>	Religious <input type="checkbox"/>	empty	
Entertainment <input type="checkbox"/>	Museum <input type="checkbox"/>	Scientific <input type="checkbox"/>		

**4. OWNER OF PROPERTY**

OWNERS NAME:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:      STATE:      CODE:

**5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Charles County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: La Plata      STATE: Maryland      CODE:

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 805 acres

**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:      CODE:

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STATE: COUNTY: ENTRY NUMBER DATE FOR NPS USE ONLY

7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	Excellent <input type="checkbox"/>	Good <input type="checkbox"/>	Fair <input type="checkbox"/>	Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/>	Ruins <input type="checkbox"/>	Unexposed <input type="checkbox"/>
INTEGRITY	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	Altered <input type="checkbox"/>	Unaltered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Moved <input type="checkbox"/>	Original Site <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Facing S on Charleston Creek this house is a two storey frame dwelling with a single exterior chimney at each gable end.

The <sup>S</sup> front is three bays in length with the front door <sup>to</sup> at the W ~~gable~~ end of the front with two windows on one side. The rear is four bays (windows). The gables have two windows on each level - one on each side of the chimney. At the S corner of the W gable is a wing of late 19th. century construction.

Front hall 1/2 length of the front of the house towards the W ~~gable~~ <sup>side</sup>. The living area (parlor) is 1/2 the length and the full depth of the house. This room contains heavy ~~mouldings~~ <sup>plaster</sup> on the baseboards and ceiling cornice as well as a sunburst mantle. Directly behind the front hall is the dining area with equally heavy mouldings. The dining room is 1/2 the length and 1/2 the depth.

The second floor has a front and center hall with two bedrooms with ~~catercornered~~ <sup>with fireplace</sup> fireplaces at the E end and a single bedroom over the dining room. A boxed in stair at the front of the center hall leads to the attic.

There are two small bedrooms on the attic level (with fireplaces and eave storage space) divided by a narrow center hall. A single dormer window lights the attic stair and hall.

The eave cornice mouldings of the exterior has a simple saw tooth pattern ~~on the~~ <sup>on the</sup> ~~board~~ <sup>board</sup> and the moulding over the front door is a simple diamond pattern.

805 acres - 6 1/4 miles waterfront (9/1/70)  
9 barns  
4 tenant houses  
boxwood

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6. 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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|----------------|--------------|--------------------------|----------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|
| Aboriginal     | Education    | <input type="checkbox"/> | Political      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Urban Planning  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Prehistoric    | Engineering  | <input type="checkbox"/> | Religion/Phi-  |                                     | Other (Specify) | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Historic       | Industry     | <input type="checkbox"/> | losophy        | <input type="checkbox"/>            | _____           |                          |
| Agriculture    | Invention    | <input type="checkbox"/> | Science        | <input type="checkbox"/>            | _____           |                          |
| Art            | Landscape    | <input type="checkbox"/> | Sculpture      | <input type="checkbox"/>            | _____           |                          |
| Commerce       | Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> | Social/Human-  |                                     | _____           |                          |
| Communications | Literature   | <input type="checkbox"/> | itarian        | <input type="checkbox"/>            | _____           |                          |
| Conservation   | Military     | <input type="checkbox"/> | Theater        | <input type="checkbox"/>            | _____           |                          |
|                | Music        | <input type="checkbox"/> | Transportation | <input type="checkbox"/>            | _____           |                          |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Include Personages, Dates, Events, Etc.)

"Charleston" was the home of Daniel Jenifer, Grand-nephew of Daniel of St. Thomas Jenifer, Maryland signer of the Constitution. Daniel Jenifer served as U.S. Minister to Austria from 1841 to 1845, tobacco. He also served as presiding officer of numerous tobacco conventions in Maryland. Jenifer was a man of many talents and possessed many friend in both political and literary areas and these friends are said to have visited "Charleston" frequently for lengthy visits. Jenifer was born in Charles County in 1791 and died at Charleston in 1855.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Brown and Klapthor History of Chas. Co. Md.  
1956

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 ONE ACRE		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
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LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: J. Richard Rivoire

ORGANIZATION: Maryland Historical Trust DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

STREET AND NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY OR TOWN: Annapolis STATE: Maryland CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION	NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION
<p>As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:</p> <p>National <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> Local <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Name _____</p> <p>Title _____</p> <p>Date _____</p>	<p>I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.</p> <p>_____ Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation</p> <p>Date _____</p> <p>ATTEST:</p> <p>_____ Keeper of The National Register</p> <p>Date _____</p>

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