

7. DESCRIPTION

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

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This large assymetrical structure houses a law office on the first floor and an apartment above. The original part of the building, toward the rear, was built around 1790. The building has undergone extensive renovation, however. The front portion was added in the early twentieth century by a local architect named J. Benjamin Brown, who designed several other Cambridge buildings of that era and achieved local prominence.

This frame structure is two and one half stories high although the older portion in the rear has a hip roof of lower elevation than the hip roof of the later addition on the front. Both roofs are made of slate shingles.

Across the narrow front facade is a one story portico with a flat roof supported by four rectangular columns. The center door is flanked by sidelights with diamond shaped panes and above is a rectangular light with muntins forming a ray pattern. On the second story is a single oriel window with three sides. Each window is flanked by pilasters. There is a hip roofed dormer with a double window on the front. The corners of the front facade are accentuated by pilasters on the first and second story.

Along part of the north facade is a one story porch with a flat roof supported by Doric columns. Also on the north facade is a full length three sided bay window.

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B. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 18th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 19th Century | |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) 1790, and early 20th c.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | | | |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

History:

This building was constructed around 1790 and served as a law office at that time. It was conveyed in 1797 by William Vans Murray (who served as ambassador to Holland and was one of the negotiators of the French Treaty of 1800) to his brother Dr. John Murray. In 1810 the property was sold to Henry Dickinson, who also owned the house next door, now 200 High Street. The law office was later owned by Judge Brice J. Goldsborough, Judge James A. Stewart and Judge Charles L. Goldsborough. Two additional judges, John R. Pattison and C. Burnam Mace also occupied the office prior to their election to judgeships. This building was also at one time the headquarters of the woman's auxiliary of the Cambridge Yacht Club. Later, in the early twentieth century, the building was enlarged and converted to a private home, with a law office on the first floor. The property retains some of the original boxwood plants.

Significance:

Although extensively renovated in the 20th century, this is one of the older buildings on High Street, dating to sometime around 1790. It has been owned by several persons of local prominence. Attractively renovated in the early 20th century by J. Benjamin Brown, this building is well maintained and is of architectural interest.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Col. Clement Sullivane

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				
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreage Justification:

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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Catherine L. Moore,

ORGANIZATION _____ DATE 11/3/75

STREET AND NUMBER:
Route 3, Box 32

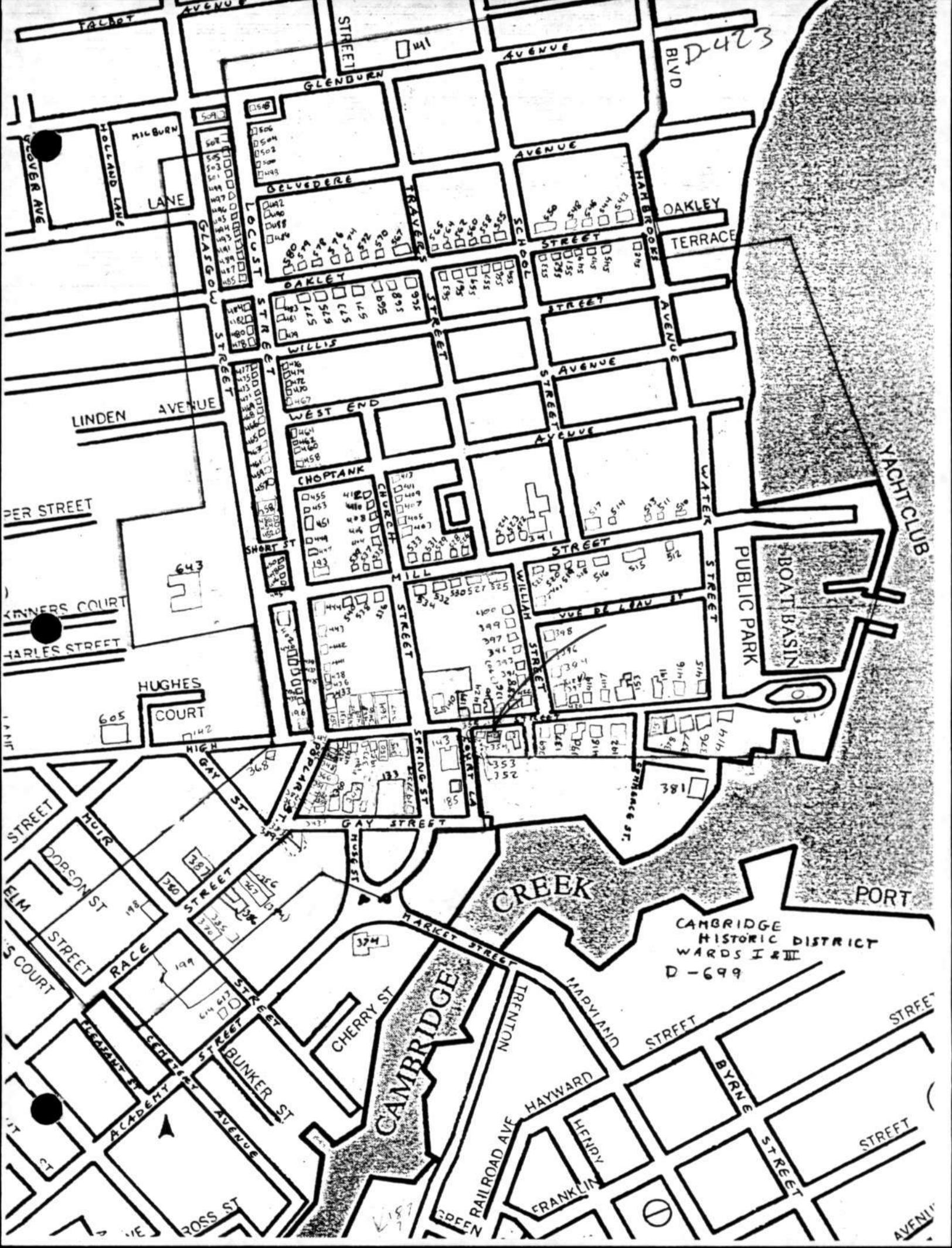
CITY OR TOWN: Cambridge STATE Maryland

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

Significance of this property is:

National State Local

Signature



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PUBLIC PARK
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CAMBRIDGE
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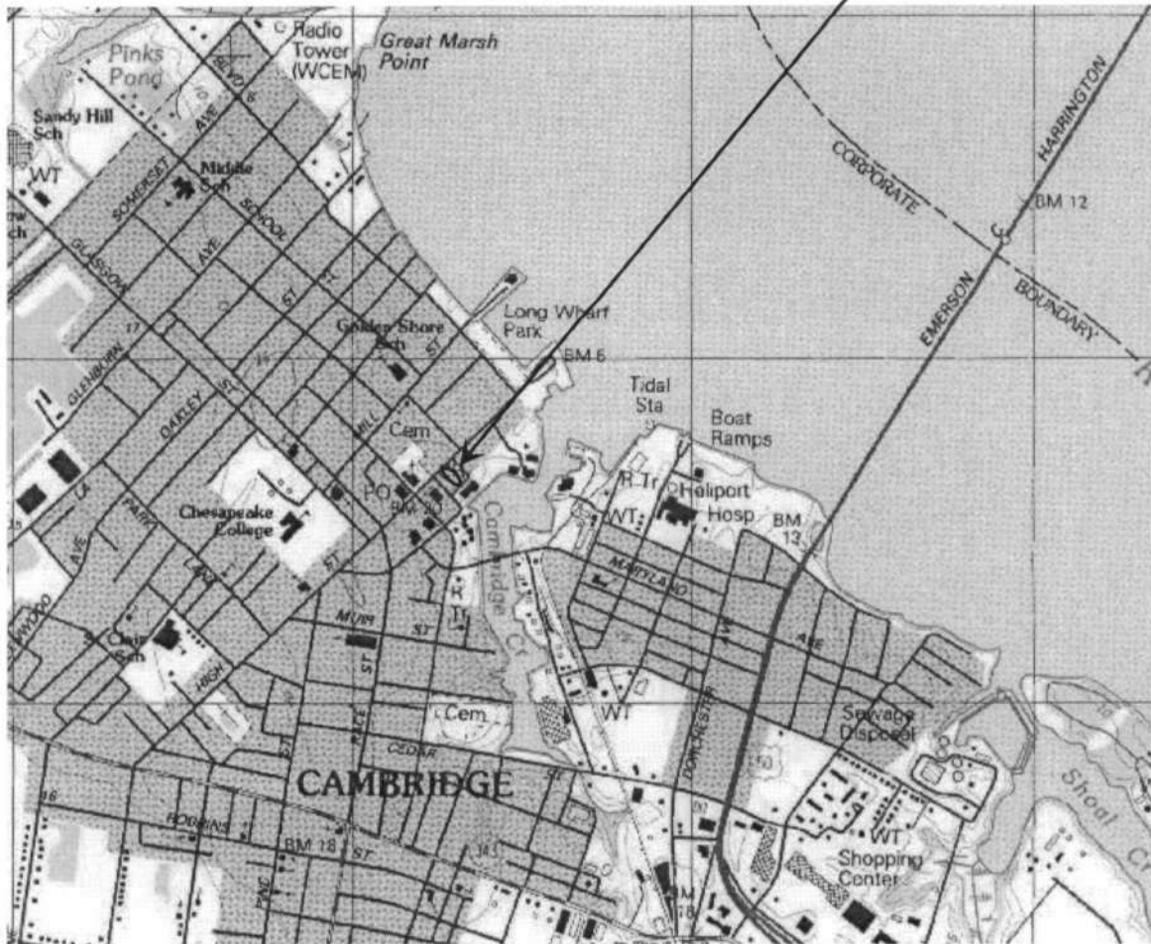
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