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William Baker Office
Buckeystown
Private

Circa 1890
William Baker

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC William Baker Office

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER
West Side Route 85

CITY, TOWN

Buckeystown

___ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

E.D. 1

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Frederick

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 checked="" 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 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 Dewey Jordon

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

P.O. Box 1185

CITY, TOWN

Frederick

___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21701

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Frederick County Courthouse

Liber #: 740

Folio #: 707

STREET & NUMBER

North Court Street

CITY, TOWN

Frederick

STATE

Maryland 21701

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

___ FEDERAL ___ STATE ___ COUNTY ___ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

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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 type="checkbox"/> MOVED	DATE _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED			
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED				

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The William Baker Office is an irregular shaped one and one-half story white brick building laid in common bond which faces east from the northwest corner of the intersection of Manor Woods Road and Route 85 in Buckeystown.

The principal facade is four bays wide with replaced entrance doors with segmented paned transoms located on diagonals facing southeast and northeast in the first and fourth bay. Occupying the second and third bay are double hung 2/2 windows with arched segmented pane transoms and segmented header arches located over the window. Original louvered wood shutters flank the windows. Extending from the roof directly above the doors are pedimented dormers with arched double hung windows.

Earlier photographs of the building show that a carved Queen Anne style porch with turned columns, decorative cornice and pedimented entrance once wrapped around the east side of the building. The porch added greatly to the architectural style of the building and destroyed much of its character when it was removed.

Until at least 1933 the north and south elevations of the building were identical, each four bays wide with arched 2/2 windows with multipaned transoms and louvered wood shutters occupying each bay.

Presently a ten panel door is located in the third bay of the north elevation. Fortunately the original multipaned transom has been retained. However, the window located in the fourth bay was completely removed and bricked up.

On the south elevation, a door has replaced the window once located in the second bay. One louvered shutter in the first bay has been removed to accommodate public services wires. Extending from the roof on the north and south sides are segmented eyelid dormers.

The west elevation or rear of the building has been altered radically. A one story cinder block addition with wood railing has been added.

The fenestration of the original pedimented dormer extending to the rear on the roof has been changed. Wood fishscale shingling decorates either side of the door.

The entire building is covered by a slate roof attached to the structure by a replaced boxed cornice. A very fine arched and corbeled brick chimney which once accommodated four fireplaces on the interior of the building rises from the center of the hip roof.

Much of the interior woodwork of the building remains intact, however modern paneling and delicatessen hardware has changed the interior spaces of the old office.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

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 type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES C. 1890

BUILDER/ARCHITECT William Baker

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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The structure has only changed hands once since the Baker Family sold it in 1946.

¹Frederick County Land Records, Liber WIP 6; Folio 33.

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

STATE COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

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Cherilyn Widell, Sites Analyst

ORGANIZATION

DATE

Frederick County Office of Historic Preservation

12/7/78

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

12 East Church St., Winchester Hall

694-1063

CITY OR TOWN

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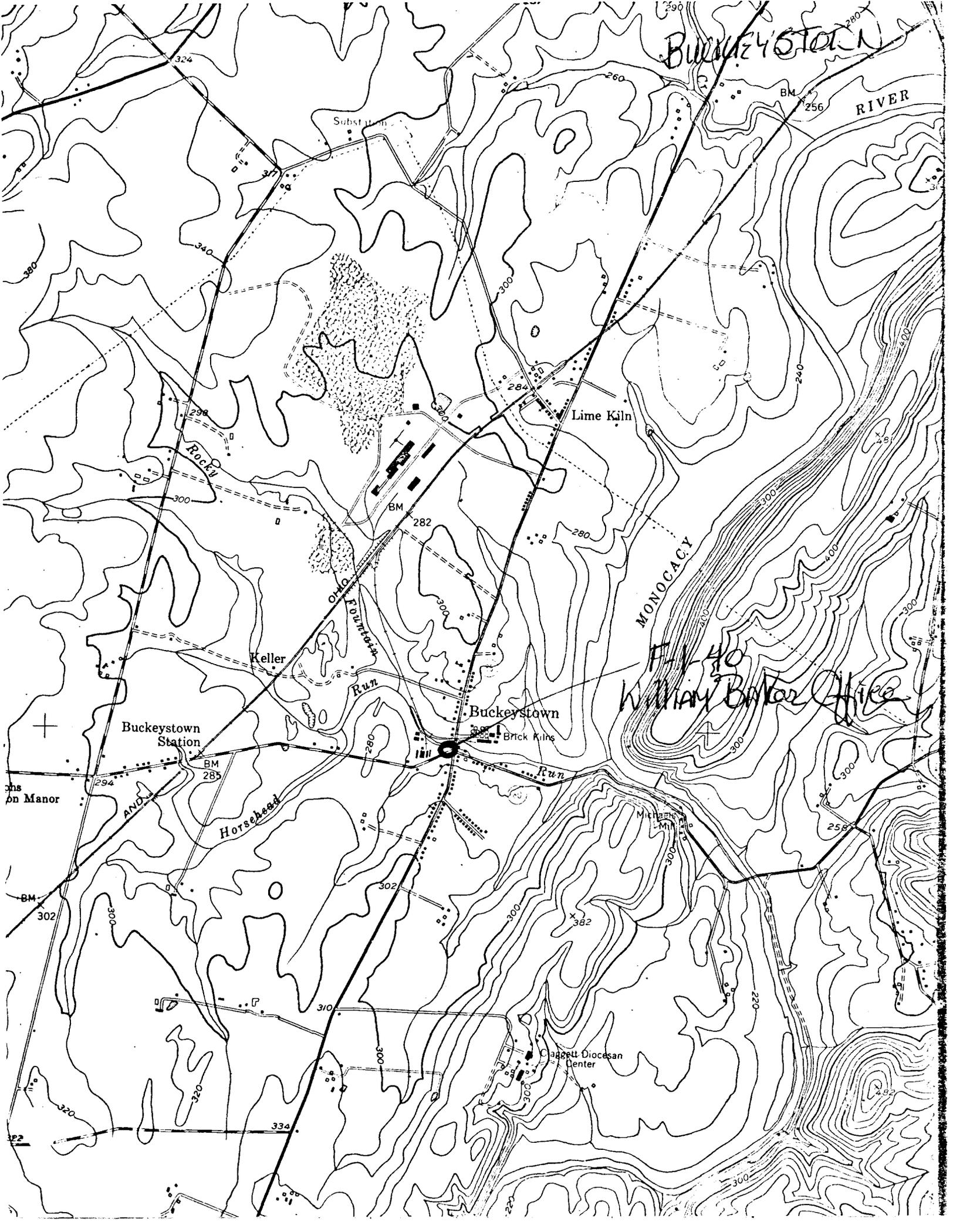
Frederick

Maryland 21701

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Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438



BUCKEYSTOWN

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Buckeystown Station

Manor

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William Baker Office

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William Baker Office

W/S Rte 85

BUCKEYSTOWN

SOUTHEAST ELEVATION

CEW 3/79



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William Baker Office
N/S Rte 85

BUCKLEYSTOWN

NORTHWEST ELEVATION

CEW 3/79