

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

UNITED STATES POST OFFICE

DEMOLISHED '82-83

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

E. Patrick Street and Chapel Alley

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Frederick VICINITY OF

COUNTY

Maryland

Frederick

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:

COMMENTS: Greek Revival

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Frederick County Courthouse

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

N. Court Street

CITY, TOWN

Frederick, Maryland

STATE

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

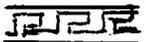
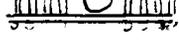
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**7 DESCRIPTION**

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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input 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**

This is a two story brick and limestone, detached, corner building. It is approximately nine bays wide and five bays in depth with a "T" shaped wing seven bays wide and three in depth and with a loading dock on the rear. All walls are of a small, white brick laid in Flemish bond and the center section of the front facade and the surrounds of all other windows are faced with Indiana limestone. The central seven bays of the front were built in the Greek Revival style and divided by Doric fluted attached columns having classic Greek  fretbands on the three sides of the capitals. The entranceway occupies the center bay with glass double doors topped by a metal cornice with five acroteria shaped forms of acanthus leaves and a band of small patera. All windows of the building are of 12/12 sash with those on the front protected by ornamental iron grills in a geometric pattern  as over the door. The entrance is approached by a two section porch of nine granite steps with a wrought iron railing in the center and contained on either side by low walls supporting round ornamental iron lamp posts carved with acanthus leaves, having the top sections fluted and lighted by acorn shaped light globes. On either side of the porch, the building is landscaped by large yew trees and lawn areas with a tall flatpole on the corner. The center section of columns and fenestrations is headed by a projecting moulded cornice with evenly spaced heads of lions in relief and with flat pendant modillions. The frieze is adorned by a wide band of Triglyphs and patera,  classic Greek temple ornamentation. The building is topped by a flat  parapet. The roofs of both sections are flat with the material not visible. This building rests on a high foundation.

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# 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 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		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)		
1917 Cornerstone/Greek <sup>Revival</sup> <del>period</del>		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION				

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This is a landmark building designed in an attractive Greek Revival style and a good addition to the examples of the various styles found in Frederick. Unfortunately, the Post Office Department plans demolition rather than remodelling of the interior for the new, larger post office complex.

On the left front corner is a cornerstone with the following inscription:

*William C. McIdoo  
 Secretary of the Treasury  
 James A. Wetmore  
 Acting Supervisory Architect  
 1917*

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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
STATE	COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE	<i>DOUGLAS M. GREENE</i>	
	<i>ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN</i>	
ORGANIZATION	<i>HISTORICAL DISTRICT COMMISSION</i>	DATE
	<i>CITY of FREDERICK, MD. 21701</i>	JANUARY 1975
STREET & NUMBER		TELEPHONE
CITY OR TOWN		STATE

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.

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