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Sweetbriar Farms  
3061 Church Lane  
White Hall, MD 21161

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**  
 HISTORIC Industry  
 AND/OR COMMON  
Sweetbriar Farms

**2 LOCATION**  
 STREET & NUMBER  
3061 Church Lane  
 CITY, TOWN  
White Hall VICINITY OF  
 STATE  
Maryland COUNTY  
Harford CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT  
first

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

<b>CATEGORY</b>	<b>OWNERSHIP</b>	<b>STATUS</b>	<b>PRESENT USE</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL
			<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input type="checkbox"/> PARK
			<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
			<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
			<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
			<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
			<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**  
 NAME  
Mr. and Mrs. Donald DiBastiani Telephone #: 472-2117  
 STREET & NUMBER  
3061 Church Lane  
 CITY, TOWN  
White Hall VICINITY OF  
 STATE, zip code  
MD 21161

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**  
 COURTHOUSE, Harford County Courthouse  
 REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.  
40 South Main Street  
 CITY, TOWN  
Bel Air STATE  
MD 21014  
 Liber #: 953  
 Folio #: 891

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**  
 TITLE  
 DATE  
 DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS  
 CITY, TOWN  
 STATE  
 FEDERAL  STATE  COUNTY  LOCAL

51-019

# 7 DESCRIPTION

<b>CONDITION</b>		<b>CHECK ONE</b>		<b>CHECK ONE</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED	DATE _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED			
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED				

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

This house, located on Church Lane near that road's intersection with Long Corner Road in White Hall, consists of three units. The east unit is frame, the center unit is log and the west unit is frame. Entrance is gained from the north facade at this time. Until only a few years ago this home was in deteriorated condition but the present owners have carefully renovated it.

All three units are two stories high and have a gable flank, slate covered roof. Eaves are trimmed with scalloped wood ornaments. Windows throughout the house are six lights over six.

The western, rubble stone unit is two bays by two. A corbeled brick chimney is located on the west inside end. Near the peak of the roof on the west end, brick headers encircle what was once a date stone. K. Scott Nevin, a former owner, stated that the date enscribed had been 1868. This unit has large plain quoins and a lighted basement. Entrance to the cellar is through a ground level door on the south facade. The principle entrance to this unit is on the north facade. A corresponding door is on the south. Both have transoms with seven lights. The panes of glass in the transoms are stinciled.

Inside, this unit has one room on the first floor, two rooms on the second. Ceiling beams on the first floor have been exposed. A plain, brick fireplace is located on the west wall of this room. It has a plain wooden mantle and an off-center fireplace opening. The attic of this section is barely a crawl space.

The cellar under this unit was at one time the kitchen of the house. It has a large stone cooking fireplace with an iron crane.

The center section of this house is a two story log unit, three bays by two with doors located in the center bay of both the north and south facade. The upper elevation is covered with clapboard but logs on the first elevation are visible. This unit is built onto rubblestone foundations and has no basement. Inside, this unit consists of one room on the first elevation and two small rooms off a hallway on the second floor. Beaded board and batten doors are found through most of this unit. On the first floor a newly faced brick fireplace is located on the east wall. An enclosed winding stairway is located in the western wall. The original tongue and groove flooring on the first elevation has been removed and the present floor was brought down from the attic. Ceiling beams have been exposed on this floor.

In the attic pegged log beams are visible. A former attic window reveals clapboard siding which at one time covered the exterior walls of the log unit.

The eastern frame unit is also two stories high. It is covered with clapboard and is one bay by one bay. The unit is built onto rubblestone foundations and has one six light casement window in the foundation wall to light a low crawl space. This unit consists of the kitchen on the first floor and a small bedroom on the second. It does not have a staircase of its own.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

# 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
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES BUILDER/ARCHITECT

### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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This house is being slowly and carefully restored by its present owners who have transformed it from a veritable shell into a comfortable home. The log structure is one of very few remaining log homes that exist in a usable, livable state.

**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

1783 Maryland Tax List  
 1798 Federal Tax List  
 1814 Maryland Tax List

Wright, C. Milton; Our Harford Heritage, French Bray Press, Baltimore, 1967.

Preston, Walter W; History of Harford County Press of the Sun Book Office, Baltimore, 1901.

Harford Directory, 1953.

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 20.08 acres

**VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION**

This property is bordered by Church Lane on the north, Long Corner Road on the west, and the property of K. Scott Nevin on the South.

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

STATE	COUNTY
STATE	COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

Susan M. Deeney, Field Historian

ORGANIZATION

Historic District Commission

DATE

April, 1978

STREET & NUMBER

102 South Hickory Avenue

TELEPHONE

838-6000, ext. 207

CITY OR TOWN

Bel Air

STATE

Maryland 21014

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

Title Search  
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Donald E. and Mary E. DiBastiani

HDC	953	891	7/5/1974	Grantor: K. Scott Nevin Grantee: Donald E. and Mary E. DiBastiani Acreage: 20.0 <sup>8</sup> acres
GRG	402	81	9/15/1953	Grantor: Fred M. and Sally W. Sanborn Grantee: K. Scott and Pauline M. Nevin Acreage: 92.75 <sup>8</sup> acres
GRG	341	35	4/6/1950	Grantor: Hugh L. Poe Grantee: K. Scott and Pauline M. Nevin, Fred M. Sanborn and Sally W. Sanborn Acreage: 169 acres "Industry"
GOB	273	244	7/16/1942	Grantor: Jarrettsville Building Association Grantee: Hugh L. and Lillian M. Poe
SWC	230	150	4/10/1934	Grantor: Philip H. Close Grantee: Jarrettsville Building Association
JAR	169	60	3/17/1920	Grantor: Winfield B. McElwain Grantee: Solomon W. Blevins Acreage: 169 acres of Industry
JAR	160	8	8/1/1918	Grantor: Newton Shaw, executor of the estate of Nelson W. McDonald Grantee: Winfield B. McElwain
ALJ	44	101	8/25/1881	Grantor: Richard McDonald Grantee: Nelson W. McDonald Acreage: Mentions a house
ALJ	2	381	4/2/1853	Grantor: Mary McDonald and others Grantee: Richard McDonald
HDC	34	375	9/4/1848	Grantor: Benjamin N. Payne Grantee: Aquila McDonald Acreage: Lot #4 of a tract called Industry including the premises
HD	22	24	10/29/1838	Grantor: William B. Bond Grantee: Benjamin N. Payne Acreage: 15 <sup>8</sup> / <sub>4</sub> acres

HD 5 470 3/25/1822 Grantor: John McCleave the elder  
 Grantee: Thomas Marshall  
 Acreage: 311 acres called Industry

JONI 42 Patent enrolled in the rolls  
 office for the western shore  
 of Maryland in the name of John  
 McCleave.

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GRG 341 35 4/6/1950 Grantor: Hugh L. Poe  
 Grantee: Nevin and Sanborn  
 Acreage: 252 acres of adjoining lot  
 or parcels of land

GCB 289 381 7/16/1945 Grantor: John Robert and Virginia  
 L. Joines  
 Grantee: Hugh L. and Lillian M. Poe  
 Acreage: Two lots: 150 - partially  
 in Baltimore and Harford County  
 also 121

GCB 282 33 1/25/1944 Grantor: Edna R. Joines  
 Grantee: John Robert Joines  
 Acreage: 150 acres

GCB 289 380 11/29/1943 Grantor: John Mays and Marie C. Little  
 Grantee: John R. Joines  
 Acreage: 121 acres

SVC 242 173 9/14/1936 Grantor: Clarence O. and Lucinda Douglas  
 Grantee: John Robert and Edna Ruth Joines

GCB 282 32 11/21/1939 Grantor: Lillian A. Kelly  
 Grantee: Edna Ruth Joines  
 Acreage: 150 acres

Baltimore WPC 639 428 7/8/1926 Grantor: Joseph H. and Susanna Norris  
 Grantee: Benjamin M. Norris  
 Acreage: 100 acres

Baltimore GNB 961 50 8/17/1935 Grantor: George N. W. Norris and Florence  
 L. Norris, his wife  
 Grantee: Ola W. Hendrix  
 Acreage: 50 acres buildings  
 (The Said Benjamin M. Norris having  
 died interstate, without issue,  
 and leaving as his only heirs at  
 law and next of kin his father  
 and mother the said George N. W.  
 Norris and wife.)

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE:	
COUNTY:	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE

**1. NAME**

COMMON: News - Mc Donald abandoned house

AND/OR HISTORIC:

**2. LOCATION**

STREET AND NUMBER: Southeast corner of T intersection, Long Lane Road &

CITY OR TOWN: Northville Church Lane

STATE: MI CODE: COUNTY: Harford CODE:

**3. CLASSIFICATION**

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

**4. OWNER OF PROPERTY**

OWNERS NAME: K. Zell

STREET AND NUMBER: Long Lane Road

CITY OR TOWN: Northville STATE: MI CODE:

**5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

STREET AND NUMBER: HARFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE 40 S. MAIN ST.

CITY OR TOWN: BEL AIR STATE: MARYLAND CODE:

ACREAGE 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:

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

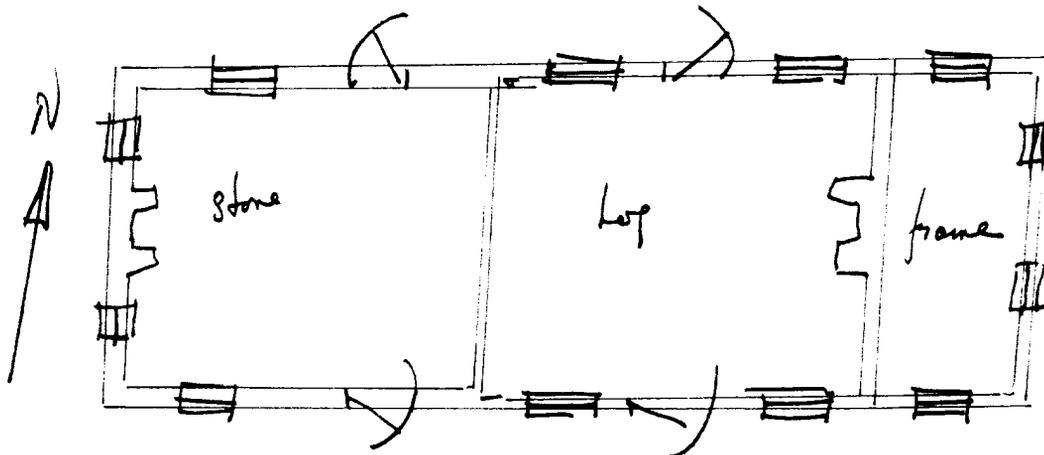
DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This stone ~~and~~ <sup>log</sup> frame house has become almost a ruin.

Oblong, 2 stories high, it faces north, the slate roof ridgepole running east-west. Windows through out once had 6 lights over 6.

The west section is of stone, 2 bays by 2, with a chimney rising in the west end wall. This section is said to date to 1863. No other dates are known.

The center section is of log, 3 bays by 2, covered upstairs in clapboard, downstairs with stucco on the north side, once sheltered by a one-story porch. A large fireplace here



**SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Pre-Columbian  16th Century  18th Century  20th Century   
15th Century  17th Century  19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

1863 date of one section

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Aboriginal	Education <input type="checkbox"/>	Political <input 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 type="checkbox"/>	_____
Art <input type="checkbox"/>	Landscape <input type="checkbox"/>	Social/Humanitarian <input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Commerce <input type="checkbox"/>	Architecture <input type="checkbox"/>	Theater <input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Communications <input type="checkbox"/>	Literature <input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation <input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Conservation <input type="checkbox"/>	Military <input type="checkbox"/>		_____
<u>Architecture</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Music <input type="checkbox"/>		_____

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

Allowed to determine, its owner is not interested.

→ has its chimney at the peak about 12' in from the east end wall.  
 The east section is one frame room covered with clapboard, ~~finished~~ one bay by two.  
 There are no facilities, (heat, plumbing or electricity) in the house.

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Mastered Map of Howard County 1878, shows this as Nielsen Mc Donald's property.

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	
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SE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	

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

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

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: JEAN S. EWING

ORGANIZATION: MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

STREET AND NUMBER: 8000 COLUMBIAN

CITY OR TOWN: ANNAPOLIS STATE: MARYLAND CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

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 \_\_\_\_\_

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

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

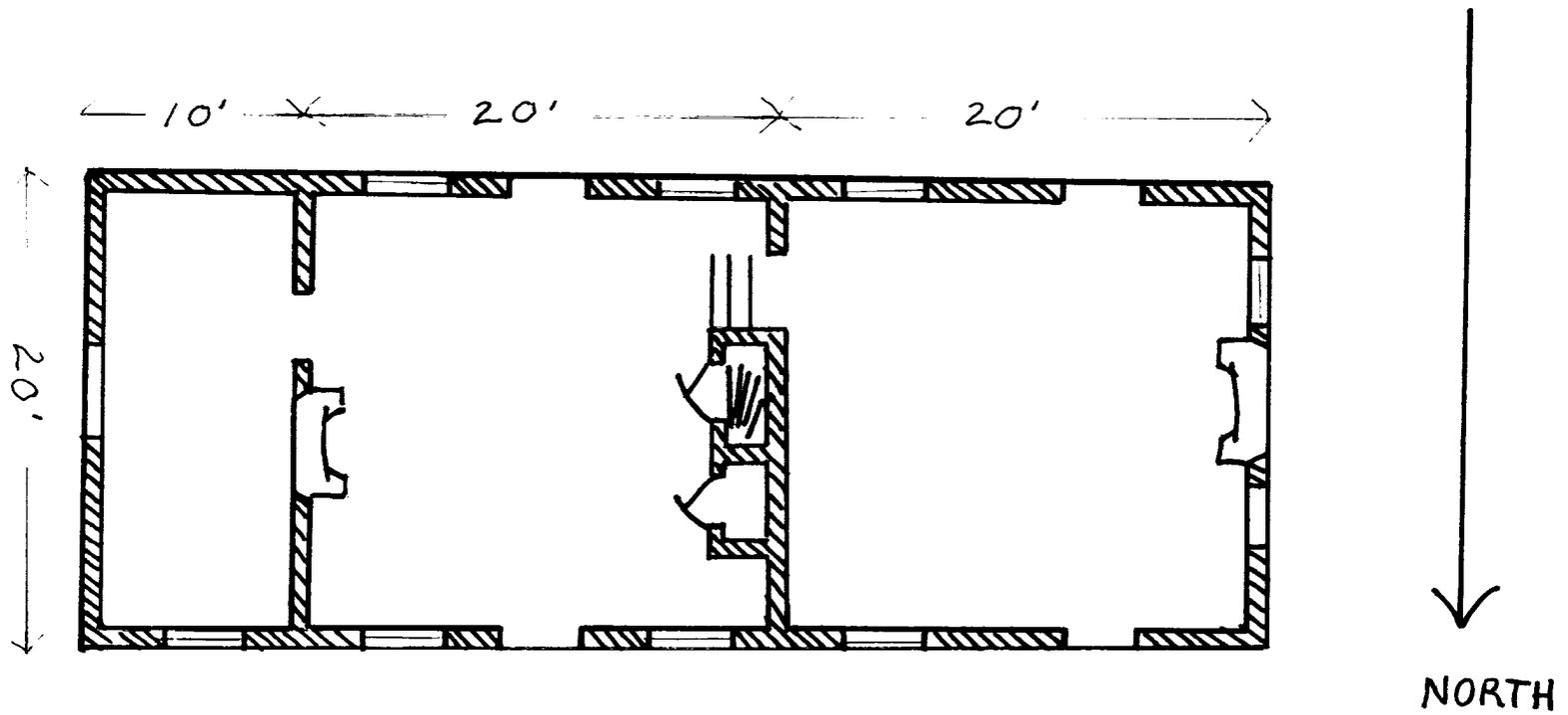
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Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST:

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

Date \_\_\_\_\_



HA-1019  
Sweetbriar Farm



E L L F A W N  
New Park

DIXON

Wiley

PENNSYLVANIA  
MARYLAND

LINE

Island

Norrisville

NEW PARK

CHURCH LANE

BROADWAY

DUNCAN ROAD

ROAD

LANE

HARKINS

AMOS MILL

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NORRISVILLE Quad  
7.5 Minute Series  
U.S. Geological  
Survey

LOWER CAREA

SINCLAIR

Crab

JOLLY ACRES

Substation

AMOS



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