

SUMMARY

HA-1141

Martin Colder House on part of Verdant Plains
4166 Federal Hill Road
Jarrettsville, Maryland

This residence is one of two brick houses in the Federal Hill area. It would appear to have been built in the late second quarter or early third quarter of the 19th century, a conclusion based on construction materials and the floorplan.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC Martin Colder House on part of Verdant Plains

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER
4166 Federal Hill Road

CITY, TOWN Jarrettsville, VICINITY OF Forest Hill CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE Maryland COUNTY Harford

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
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	<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 Eugene Washington Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER
4166 Federal Hill Road

CITY, TOWN Jarrettsville, Maryland VICINITY OF Forest Hill STATE, zip code 21084

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC Harford County Courthouse

Liber #: HDC 1031
Folio #: 221

STREET & NUMBER
40 South Main Street

CITY, TOWN Bel Air STATE Maryland 21014

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN STATE

HA-1141

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

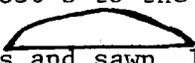
This house is identified on the 1878 Martenet Map as "Martin Colder". It is located on the northern fringe of the village of Federal Hill.

#4166 Federal Hill Road is a 2-story gable end roof brick structure, with an L-plan. It sits on an uncoursed rubble foundation, exposed approximately 24" at the east elevation. The brick is laid in American Bond in 5 and 6 stretcher variation. There is a simple brick cornice on the east elevation. What appears to be a belt course, at the same level as the bottom of the second floor windows is most likely a drip course for the roof of a 1-story porch, since removed. The brick house to the south at #41 still retains its porch (HA-1668). The structure is 3 bays wide by 2 deep, and the ell is 1-1/2 stories, 2 bays deep by 1 bay wide. There are interior end chimneys (north-south) and an interior chimney at the west end of the ell. The latter protrudes slightly from the exterior wall, about 8' above grade, and is supported by corbelled bricks. This is a rather unusual feature, not readily observed in other Harford County houses. The east facade reflects a balanced center hall plan, with a window-door-window scheme at ground level, and 3 symmetrically placed windows on the second floor. Windows are 6/6, with a flat brick arch over each opening. The main entrance has a modern replacement "colonial style" (broken pediment with pineapple, and flanking pilasters) treatment. The south side is blind except for two gable end vents, and the north side has the vents, and a 6/6 window at 1st and 2nd floor level in the west bay. The ghost of earlier rakeboards shows, but in March 1981, there is no applied trim at these areas on both north and south elevations. The south chimney has been extended outward from the wall, to accommodate an additional flue. The 1-1/2 story ell was a kitchen wing, and it has two 2/2 eyebrow windows in the half-story, and one window on the first floor at the north side, and an upper level 2/2 window in the west gable end. The south side has two periods of later frame additions.

Examination of the interior in March 1981 revealed the following information.

There is a center hall, actually a center staircase that separates heated parlors on the north and south.

The basement has puncheons, stripped of their bark, but apparently never white-washed.

The first floor has fireplaces with replacement mantelpieces. The door and window trim suggests a construction date of late 1830's to the 1850's. The sides are plain boards, topped with a triangular cut piece.  The north parlor has a replacement floor with simulated pegs. Sawn joists and sawn lathing were observed in an opening in the ceiling. The kitchen wing has a fireplace with a flat shelf on the top, and again, vertical mechanically sawn joists were observed. A winding staircase leads to the second floor. The latter has treads attached with cut nails.

(See Description Continuation Sheet #1)

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
REHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES	BUILDER/ARCHITECT
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Architectural evidence suggests this house was constructed in mid 19th century. All structural lumber was mechanically sawn, and no wrought nails could be located. The interior trim suggests "early Victorian" influence, but it is quite plain, and has no relation to the more ornate characteristics ascribed to that period.

This house is one of the older survivors in the area known as Federal Hill, and is one of two brick residences there. Open agricultural land still surrounds this area in 1981, which marks the northern border of heavy residential development in Western Harford County.

This brick dwelling, is said to have been one of three houses built by Martin Calder for each of his sons. This could not be proven though it is known that Martin Calder acquired the property prior to 1870. Calder was a County Commissioner in 1879 from his district. His son, William is listed in the 1871 Maryland Gazette as a Jarrettsville blacksmith. Martin Calder was also a smith, his shop probably being located slightly south of the house in question, near Federal Hill, across from the present Foard's General Store.

The tract, Verdant Plains, was purchased by Calder from the Small brothers- Phillip and Samuel who, along with Christopher Geiger, ran the Sarah Furnace Company. The Sarah Furnace, named for Mrs. Phillip Small, was located south of Jarrettsville and was built in 1841.

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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

Phillip R. Lord, Historic Site Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Harford County Department of Planning and Zoning

DATE

June 1981

STREET & NUMBER

45 South Main Street

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

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The attic revealed sawn rafters mitred at the ridge, with random width nailers for a slate roof. The south chimney is an 18" flue that corbels upward for a large cap. The north chimney is plain all the way up, and different colored brick suggests it may be a replacement. Cut nails were again observed in the attic stair treads.

An earlier surveyor reported a brick in the kitchen wing fireplace inscribed with "H. Aikin 1859".

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

HA-1141

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AND/OR COMMON

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STATE Maryland COUNTY Harford County

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4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME Mr. and Mrs. John Freel Telephone #: 557-9614

STREET & NUMBER 4166 Federal Hill Road

CITY, TOWN Jarrettsville VICINITY OF STATE, zip code Maryland 21084

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Harford County Courthouse

Liber #: HDC 978
Folio #: 333

STREET & NUMBER 40 South Main Street

CITY, TOWN Bel Air STATE Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

NA-1191

7 DESCRIPTION

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This brick house is located north of Mt. Horub Road on Federal Hill Road in the vicinity of Jarrettsville. The house faces east.

The main part of this common bond brick house is three bays long, two stories high. It is built onto low, rubble stone foundations. The principal entrance is in the center bay of the east facade. The door has six moulded wood panels and a "broken" pediment above the door. Windows through out the house are six lights over six. New louvered shutters are at each window. Flat brick arches are located above each window. The gable flank, slate covered roof runs north-south. A brick, step cornice is present. A corbeled brick chimney is located at each end. The south chimney has been rebuilt and juts out from the wall approximately two feet. The north chimney is flush with the wall. Four light, casement attic windows flank the chimneys at each end. There are no first or second elevation windows on the south facade and only one first elevation window on the north. An exterior cellar entrance located on the west facade has been covered up by a new, one story, frame addition.

A one story, brick kitchen, located north west of the main section, forms an el. The roof of this section is also slate covered. An exterior corbeled brick chimney is located at the center of the west facade. Entrance in this section is gained on the south facade.

The interior of this brick house has been changed very little. Windows and doors remain as they were even though a frame section has been added. Walls are plastered and in the north east room very old irregular, pegged floor boards are still present.

The kitchen room has a continuity with the other brick section that seems to indicate that it was not a later addition. The large brick fireplace in this room has an iron crane. There is no mantel. A enclosed winding stair leading to the attic above this room is located north of the fireplace.

The main stairway, located between the two front rooms, is enclosed between two walls. There is no through hall.

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BUILDER/ARCHITECT

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A brick found in the kitchen fireplace is inscribed with H. AIKIN 1859*.

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Jarrettsville, Past and Present, compiled by Bicentennial Committee and sponsored by the Jarrettsville Lions Club.

Martenet Map of 1878

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY .75 acres

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

This property is bounded on the east by Federal Hill Road and on all other sides by the property of Robert Foard.

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

February 16, 1977

ORGANIZATION

Historic District Commission

DATE

838-6000 ext. 207

STREET & NUMBER

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TELEPHONE

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STATE

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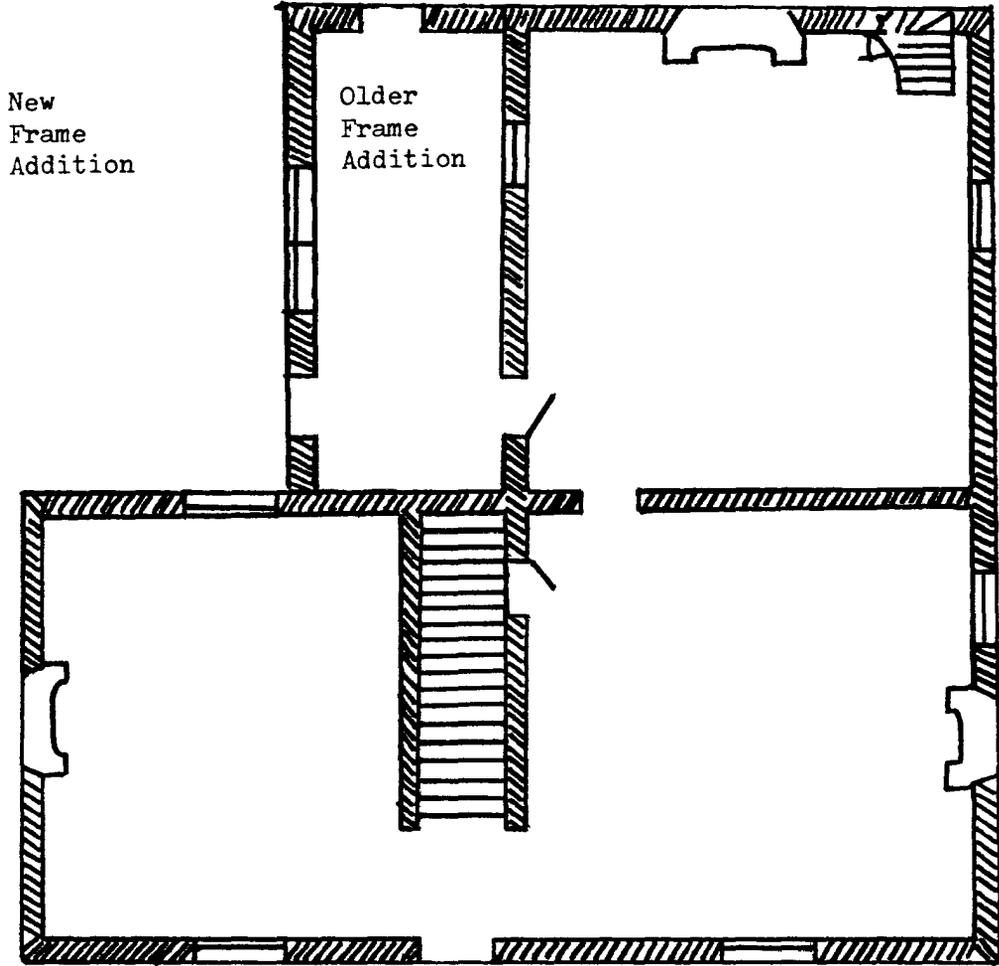
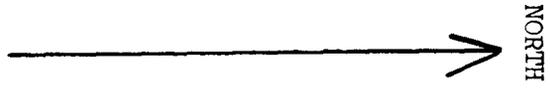
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Jarrettsville, MD

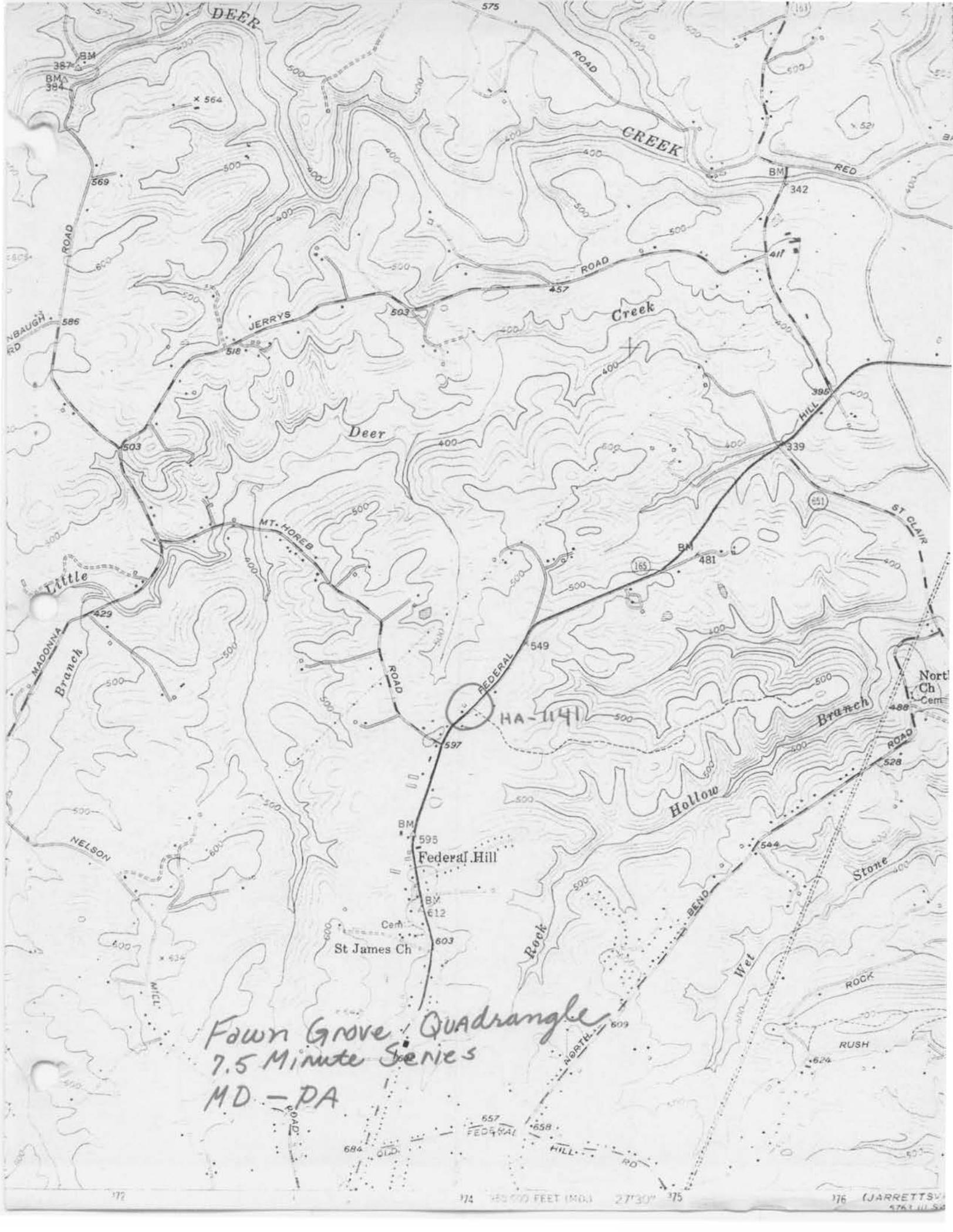
HDC	978	333	7/31/75	Grantor: Robert M. Kehm III Grantee: John P. and Carolyn M. Freel Acreage: .75 acres
HDC	943	99	7/7/73	Grantor: Diana A. Dingus Grantee: Robert M. Kehm III
	875	363	6/28/71	Grantor: Chester W. Rill and Ruths Rill and Kenneth P. and Gene R. MacDonald Grantee: Diana A. Dingus
GRG	788	408	8/27/68	Grantor: Osmar G. Hebert Grantee: Chester W. & Ruth Rill Acreage: 1/2 acres undivided interest
GRG	831	23	11/6/69	Grantor: Osmar G. Hebert Grantee: Kenneth P. & Gene R. MacDonald Acreage: The other 1/2 interest
GRG	775	262	4/26/68	Grantor: Robert S. Foard Grantee: Osmar G. Hebert, Plat included Parcel #1
DGW	183	246	7/25/23	Grantor: George O. and Annie M. Foard Grantee: Robert S. Foard 1) Federal Hill Store Property-45 acres 2) 46 acres*
JAR	169	485	7/11/20	Grantor: Melissa E and Charles A. Devoe Grantee: Annia M. Foard Acreage: 46 acres*
WSF	127	461	1/27/10	Grantor: Samuel W. Street Grantee: Melissa E. Devoe, together with buildings & improvements

WSF	117	213	2/20/06	Grantor: Lucretia E. Calder Grantee: Samuel W. Street, sold after death of her husband, William
WSF	115	444		Grantor: Otho S. Lee Grantee: Lucretia Calder (had been a mortgage)
WSF	71	4	2/17/1891	Grantor: Jupiter Lee Grantee: William Caldér (a ro d)
JMM	11	52	1889	Grantor: Last Will and Testement of Martin Calder Grantee: William Calder
ALJ	62	466	12/26/1888	Grantor: George Small and others Grantee: William Calder Acreage: 38 acres
ALJ	62	283	10/29/1888	Grantor: Geroge Small and others Grantee: William Calder "of Federal Hills" Acreage: 3 roods
HDG	33	361	10/2/1847	Grantor: Ruth Rutledge Grantee: Phillip A. and Samuel Small Acreage: Verdant Plains and Ruth's Industry-45½ acres
HDG	33	224	6/30/1847	Grantor: Charles Baker and Mary Hitchcock Grantee: Phillip A. and Samuel Small Acreage: Verdant Plains-57 acres
HDG	31	23	5/8/1845	Grantor: Otho Scott, trustee Grantee: Christopher Geiger, Phillip A. Small and Samuel Small Acreage: 53 acres

Equity Case: John W. Rutledge, complainant vs. William P. and Penelope Welch, on 12/21/1842. Otho Scott, trustee, sold land to Geige and the Smalls. This was the property of Joshua Rutledge, deceased.



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Calder Family House



Fawn Grove Quadrangle
7.5 Minute Series
MD - PA



Verdant Plains
Federal Hill Area
Jarrettsville, MD
Susan M. Deeney
East
February, 1977

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