

HA-1378

1885

Whaland House  
205 E. Broadway  
Bel Air  
private

This front gable Victorian, built a year later than the Peterson-Ellis house next door, manages to be different by having a blind front gable. The enclosed front porch provides a reception room for the law firm with offices in the house.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC  
Whaland House  
AND/OR COMMON  
House

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER  
205 E. Broadway 1st  
CITY, TOWN  
Bel Air CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT  
STATE VICINITY OF  
Maryland COUNTY  
Harford

**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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<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  
John E. Kelly et al Telephone #: 838-6343  
STREET & NUMBER  
205 E. Broadway  
CITY, TOWN  
Bel Air STATE, zip code  
Maryland 21014

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Harford County Courthouse  
STREET & NUMBER  
Main Street  
CITY, TOWN  
Bel Air STATE  
Maryland

Liber #: 1066  
Folio #: 928

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE  
DATE  
DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS  
CITY, TOWN STATE  
FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

**7 DESCRIPTION**

<b>CONDITION</b>		<b>CHECK ONE</b>	<b>CHECK ONE</b>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" 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 three-bay, two story house is at 205 East Broadway in the Town of Bel Air, Harford County, Maryland. It has a gable roof with a blind gable in the center bay in the front (north) elevation. The original windows in the house are 2/2 double-hung sash set in plain surrounds. The enclosed hip-roofed porch (1978) has three modern termo-pane windows with a 6/6 grid inside to simulate old windows. The entrance is in the west side of the enclosed porch and has a modern door with 9 panes of glass on the top and an "X" panel below.

The house has been extended to the south, once with a two-bay addition and once with a 1 bay ell. In the north bay of the original block, there is a 6 pane casement in the first story on both sides and in the second story on the east side. To the south of the casements on the east elevation rises a 20th century brick outside chimney with a plain cap.

The interior was completely gutted downstairs and some walls have been moved upstairs. The only original element is the pleasantly curved dog-leg staircase in the west side of the hall. All the woodwork is new. A mantel in the old parlor is classical revival. The room directly overhead has a brick fireplace of 20th century origin, too.

The pine flooring in two of the upstairs offices could be saved, too. While the interior is almost entirely new, neither the moldings nor the furnishings violate the spirit of the house.

**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 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 checked="" 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 1885

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This small Victorian house, now occupied by lawyers offices, was once the twin of its neighbors, a three bay, side-hall, double stack, with a gable in the center front and a front porch. The only difference is that there is no window in the front gable. The house was built in 1885 by James Whaland who bought the lot from Charles Dallam for \$350. He sold it in 1886 (55/406) to the William Harrymans for \$2000, \$1400 of which was an assumed mortgage (52/3).

The property next turned over in 1917 when a life interest in it was sold to Dr. Robert K. Robinson, with the remainder to Grace R. MacAllester (155/51). Dr. Robinson was the father of Judge John A. Robinson. Mrs. MacAllester was Dr. Robinson's daughter. The house stayed in their hands until 1953 when Mrs. MacAllester sold her remainder to Charles V. Spalding (401/352). The Spaldings sold it to Philip Caughey in 1955 (443/570). Caughey sold a contract to Odis G. Comer (1957). Comer defaulted on the mortgage and the property was auctioned back to the Caugheys in 1961 (578/365). The Caugheys sold it to Dale W. Sloop in 1967 (754/100), and they sold it to Robert Bland Clarke in 1976 (989/443). The following year the Clarks sold it to JoAnne Cicone who ran the Bel Air School of Dance there. She tore out most of the interior on the first floor for her studio. The following year she sold it to John Kelly, Thomas Marshall, Maurice Baldwin and Thomas Hatem, lawyers who have their offices in the building today.

**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Land records of Harford County  
Harford Democrat  
Biography of the Courthouse Portraits

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

This property occupies parcel #563 in the Town of Bel Air, 50' frontage.

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

STATE	COUNTY
STATE	COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE	Marilynn Larew, Architectural Historian	DATE	24 May 1979
ORGANIZATION	Town of Bel Air	TELEPHONE	838-8700
STREET & NUMBER	39 Hickory Avenue	STATE	Maryland
CITY OR TOWN	Bel Air		

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.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST  
21 STATE CIRCLE  
SHAW HOUSE  
ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401

HISTORIC SITES SURVEY FIELD SHEET  
Individual Structure Survey Form

SURVEY NUMBER: HA-1378

NEGATIVE FILE NUMBER:

UTM REFERENCES:  
Zone/Easting/Northing

U.S.G.S. QUAD. MAP:

PRESENT FORMAL NAME:  
*Law Office*

ORIGINAL FORMAL NAME:  
*Whaland House*

PRESENT USE: *Law Offices*

ORIGINAL USE: *Private Residence*

ARCHITECT/ENGINEER:

BUILDER/CONTRACTOR:

PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE:

Excellent () Good ( )  
Fair ( ) Poor: ( )

THEME: *Architecture*

STYLE: *Vernacular*

DATE BUILT:

*1885*

COUNTY: *Harford*

TOWN: *Bel Air*

LOCATION: *205 E. Broadway*

COMMON NAME:

*Kelly, Marshall, Baldwin & Hatem Office*

FUNCTIONAL TYPE: *private residence*

OWNER: *John E. Kelly et al*

ADDRESS: *205 E. Broadway  
Bel Air, Md.*

ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC:

Yes ( ) No ( ) Restricted ()

LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Local () State ( ) National ( )

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

Structural System

1. Foundation: Stone () Brick ( ) Concrete ( ) Concrete Block ( )
2. Wall Structure
  - A. Wood Frame: Post and Beam ( ) Balloon ( )
  - B. Wood Bearing Masonry: Brick ( ) Stone ( ) Concrete ( ) Concrete Block ( )
  - C. Iron ( ) D. Steel ( ) E. Other:
3. Wall Covering: Clapboard ( ) Board and Batten ( ) Wood Shingle ( ) Shiplap ( )  
Novelty ( ) Stucco ( ) Sheet Metal ( ) Aluminum () Asphalt Shingle ( )  
Brick Veneer ( ) Stone Veneer ( ) *lime*  
Bonding Pattern: Other:
4. Roof Structure
  - A. Truss: Wood ( ) Iron ( ) Steel ( ) Concrete ( )
  - B. Other:
5. Roof Covering: Slate ( ) Wood Shingle ( ) Asphalt Shingle ( ) Sheet Metal ( )  
Built Up ( ) Rolled ( ) Tile ( ) Other: *tar paper*
6. Engineering Structure:
7. Other: *enclosed*

Appendages: Porches () Towers ( ) Cupolas ( ) Dormers ( ) Chimneys () Sheds ( ) Ells ( )  
Wings ( ) Other: *shutters plain cap*

Roof Style: Gable ( ) Hip ( ) Shed ( ) Flat ( ) Mansard ( ) Gambrel ( ) Jerkinhead ( )  
Saw Tooth ( ) With Monitor ( ) With Bellcast ( ) With Parapet ( ) With False Front ( )  
Other:

Number of Stories: 2

Number of Bays: 3 bays

Approximate Dimensions:

Entrance Location: Broadway

THREAT TO STRUCTURE:

No Threat () Zoning ( ) Roads ( )  
Development ( ) Deterioration ( )  
Alteration ( ) Other:

LOCAL ATTITUDES:

Positive ( ) Negative ( )  
Mixed ( ) Other:

ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL OR STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:

big windows 2 1/2 plain surrounds, enclosed porch phoney 6 pane  
 hipped shed carried on plain posts cover back entrance (w elev)  
 w elev, N bay 1st story = 6 pane casements 6 pane  
 door new 4 pane over X panel  
 2 addit 1 2 bay + ell 1 bay  
 They enclosed porch front room original fireplace - 5 shelf  
 new + built - classical fireplace  
 everything but staircase new new balustrade, too  
 rooms moved about between by dance school

Small casement  
 6 pane up stairs  
 + down N bay  
 E elev

RELATED STRUCTURES: (Describe)

Cinder block garage

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Middle Class house, 1880's

REFERENCES:

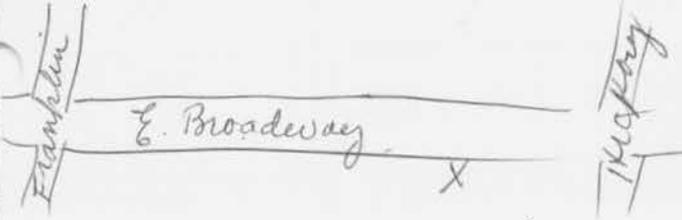
MAP: (Indicate North In Circle)



SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:

- Open Lane ( ) Woodland ( ) Scattered Buildings ( )
- Moderately Built Up ( ) Densely Built Up ( )
- Residential ( ) Commercial (  )
- Agricultural ( ) Industrial ( )
- Roadside Strip Development ( )
- Other:

M. Laro  
 RECORDED BY:  
 Town of Bel Air  
 ORGANIZATION:  
 30 May 79  
 DATE RECORDED:



TITLE:  
205 Broadway

1066/928            30 June 1978  
Jo Anne Cicone, Bel Air School of Dance  
to  
John E. Kelly, Thomas E. Marshall,  
Maurice W. Baldwin, Jr., and Thomas J. Hatem

1032/360            29 June 1977  
Robert Bland Clarke and Ellen, wife  
to  
Jo Anne Cicone, Bel Air School of Dance

989/443            7 January 1976  
Dale W. Sloop and Patricia, wife  
to  
Robert Bland Clarke and Ellen, wife

754/100            13 September 1967  
Philip Caughey and Dorothy, wife  
to  
Dale W. Sloop and Patricia, wife

578/365            18 September 1961  
Albert P. Close, attorney  
to  
Philip Caughey and Dorothy, wife  
defaulted mortgage (1957, 495/490)  
from Odis G. Comer and wife to the Caugheys

443/570            16 September 1955  
Charles V. Spalding and Adalene, wife  
to  
Philip Caughey and Dorothy, wife

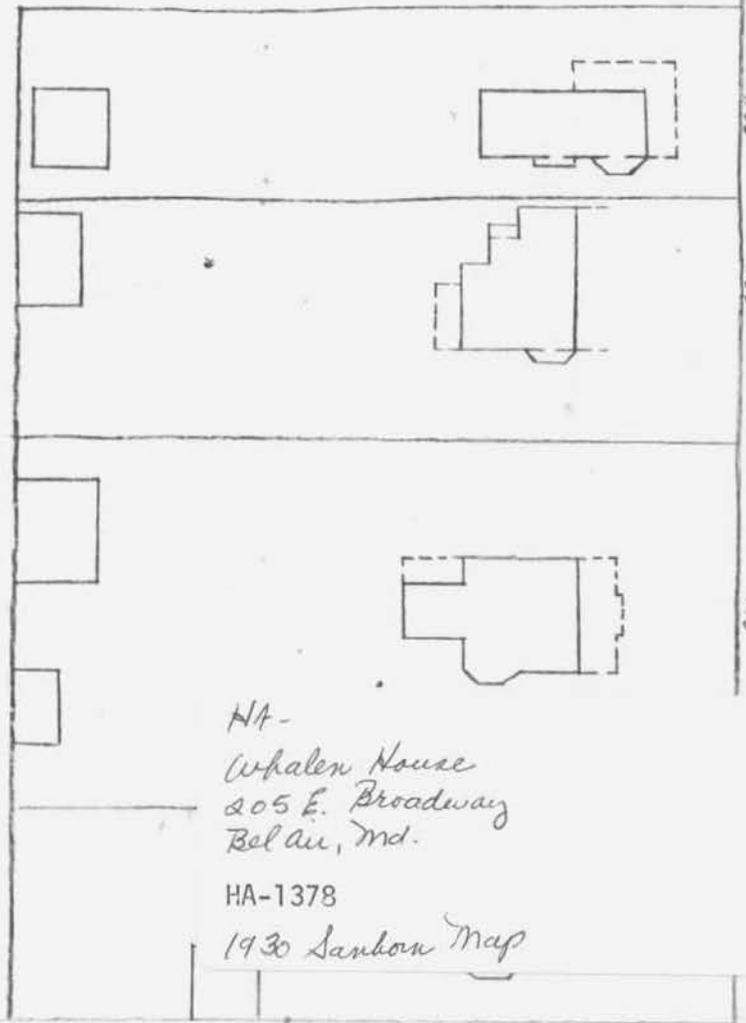
401/352            12 September 1953  
Grace R. MacAllester, divorced  
to  
Charles V. Spalding and Adalene, wife  
life interest to Robert K. Robinson

155/51            7 February 1917  
Harry S. Carver and May, wife  
to  
Robert K. Robinson, life interest with  
remainder to Grace R. MacAllester  
\$4350  
2 parcels

55/406            11 June 1886  
James P. Whaland and Johanna, wife  
                  to  
Victoria (Mrs. William B.) Harryman  
Harryman to assume mortgage (1885, 52/3)  
of \$1400 and \$586.04 cash to the Whalands

53/174            5 January 1884  
Charles L. Dallam  
                  to  
James P. Whaland  
\$350

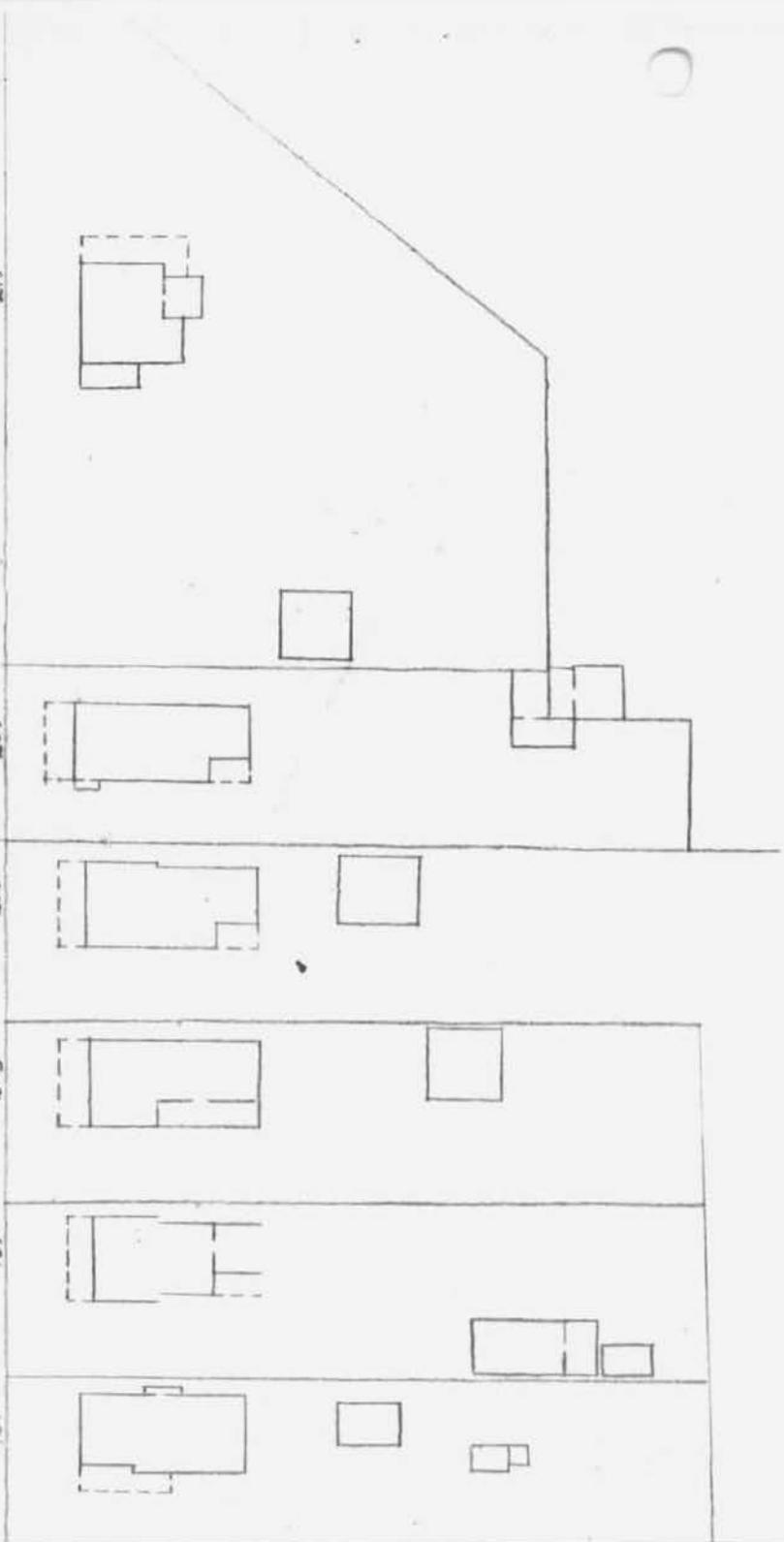
47/63             20 July 1881  
John S. Dallam  
                  to  
Charles L. Dallam  
the larger lot



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Whalen House  
205 E. Broadway  
Bel Air, Md.  
HA-1378  
1930 Sanborn Map

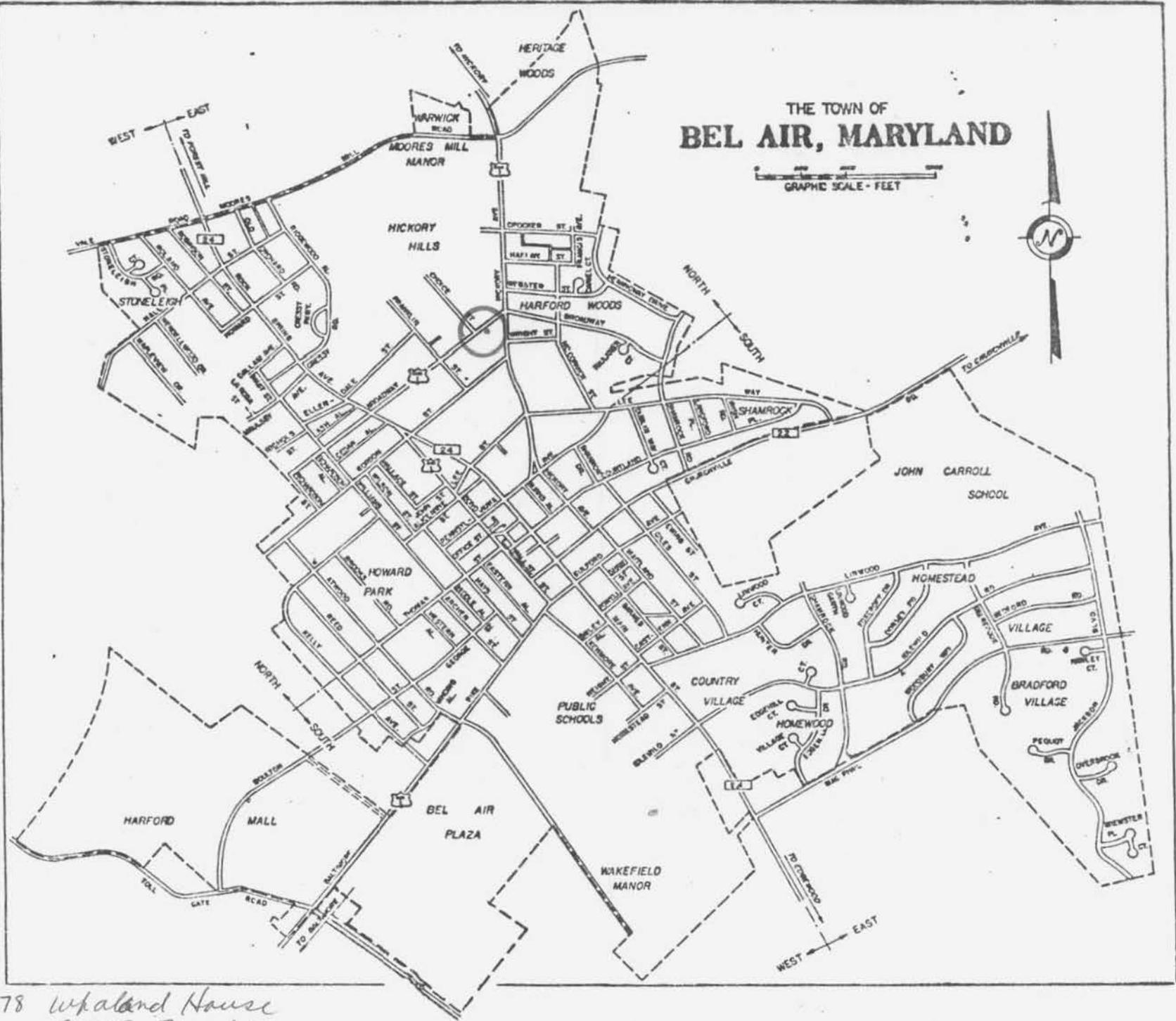
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THE TOWN OF  
**BEL AIR, MARYLAND**

GRAPHIC SCALE - FEET



AA-1378 *Whaland House*  
*205 E. Broadway*  
*Bel Air*



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Whaland Panel, 205 E. Broadway, Bel Air  
n+w elevs

M. Larew, 1979



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Whaland House, 205 E. Broadway  
Bel Air

v. 110

M. Lacroix, 1979