

HA-1802
1932
Bel Air
Private

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Barnes-Justice House
Bel Air, Harford Co.

FRAMEWORK FOR IDENTIFYING COMPREHENSIVE PLAN DATA

HISTORIC CONTEXT:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization:

3. Piedmont

Chronological/Developmental Period:

11. Industrial/Urban Dominance 1870-1930

12. Modern Period 1930 - present

Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme:

2. Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Community
Planning

Resource Type:

Category: Architecture

Historic Environment: Urban

Historic Function and Use: Private Residence

Known Design Source: unknown

7. Description

Survey No. A-1502

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 type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed	unknown	

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

Contributing resource count: one

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The cottage has a hip-roofed front porch carried on 4 square posts. Entry is in the center bay of the facade. The only other visible elevation is the 3 bay north elevation, where windows are grouped in the center, a pair of 3/1 double-hung sash and one smaller double-hung sash, an uncommon arrangement probably explained by interior requirements.

The interior was not accessible.

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
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates c. 1932 **Builder/Architect** unknown

check: Applicable Criteria: A B C D
and/or
Applicable Exception: A B C D E F G
Level of Significance: national state local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

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In 1939 the Gilberts sold the property to Robert Barnes and his wife Bessie. In 1957 Barnes, then a widower, sold it to Hamilton Amos, Jr., and the Amosses sold it to the present owner, Edwin Justice in 1962.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. PA-1804

Harford County Land Records

10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name Bel Air

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Verbal boundary description and justification

Parcel 62 in the Town of Bel Air, 15,000 sq. ft.

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code

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11. Form Prepared By

name/title Dr. Marilyn M. Larew

organization _____ date 6-28-93

street & number RD 1 Box 219 New Park Rd. telephone 717-993-3557

city or town New Park state PA 17352

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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 Annapolis, Maryland 21401
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Barnes-Justice House
710 Rockspring
Bel Air, MD 21014

Owner: Edward Justice

- 601/561 27 Sept 1962
Hamilton Amoss, Jr., and Evelyn Louise
to
Edwin Justice and Jean E.
lots 6, 7, 8, 41, 42, 43 in block B of Rockspring
Addition (plat in plat book 2/57, Oct. 1931).
- 475/396 24 Jan 1957
Robert S. Barnes, s widower
to
Hamilton Amoss, Jr., and Evelyn Louise
the above property
Barnes put the property together in three purchases

parcel 1, lots 6, 7, 42, 43
- 255/273 4 Apr 1939
Harold Gilbert and Agnes Dolores
to
Robert S. Barnes and Bessie A.
- 225/135 13 Sept 1932
Henry Webster, unmarried
Malcolm Y. Tarring and Pauline
to
Harold M. Gilbert and Agnes Dolores
part of
- 221/351 24 November 1931
William H. Harlan, trustee
to
Henry Webster
at private sale for \$8100
Chancery Court decree, 20 July 1929 in Henry Webster
and William H. Harlan, executors of Edwin H. Webster
vs. Harold H. Nesbitt, 8 acres +/- . This is the land
which was subdivided. The land originally was part of
Mary Dallam's land, north of Dallam's two additions.
See 69/393, 12 Feb 1891, Mary Dallam to Edward Ferry.

parcel 2, lot 8
- 259/418 18 Apr 1940
Anabel W. Hopkins, widow
to
Robert S. Barnes and Bessie A.
lot 8 in Rockspring Addition

no citation 15 Sept 1932
Sarah E. Ashton, widow
to
W. Wylie Hopkins
lot 8

223/40 3 Dec 1931
Harry Webster, bachelor
to
Sarah E. Ashton
lots 8 and 9
to 221/351 above

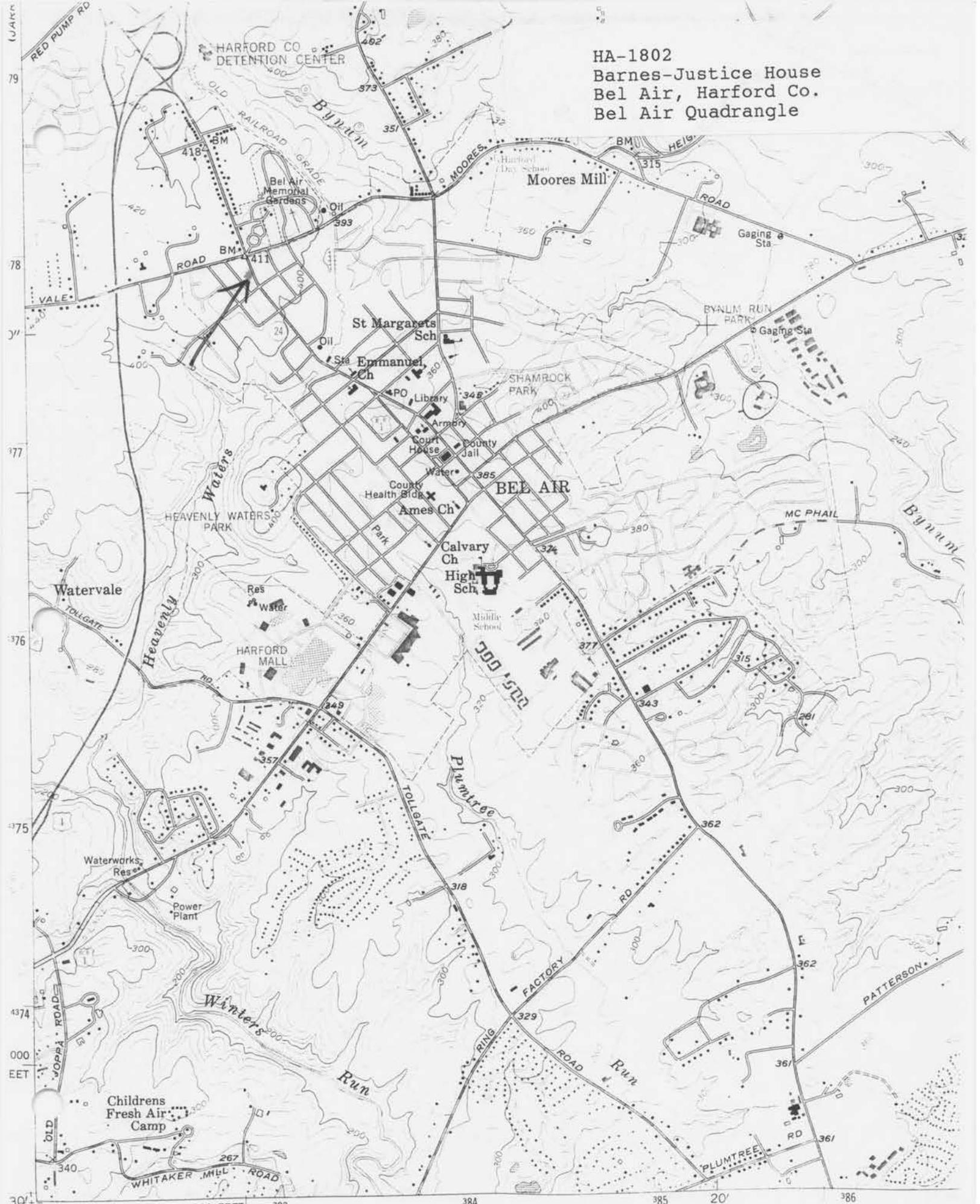
parcel 3, lot 41

263/275 18 Nov 1940
W. Sanner Bailey and Hattie V.
William A. Kral and Grace V.
Permanent Building Association of Harford County
to
Robert S. Barnes and Bessie A.
lot 41

263/7 part of
24 Sept 1940
John S. Webster and Edwin H. Webster II, executors of
Henry Webster, will AJG 20/311 dated 16 May 1929
to
W. Sanner Bailey and Hattie V.
William A. Kral and Grace V.
each pair had an undivided half
lots 1-5, 25-37 in block A and 35-41 in block B
which they mortgaged

262/223 the mortgage
25 Sept 1940
W. Sanner Bailey and Hattie V.
William A. Kral and Grace V.
to
Permanent Bldg. Assoc.
\$4200

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Bel Air Quadrangle





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