

HA - 650, 651

Charles E. Jackson's Stone House  
Box 95B, Rt. 3, Robinson Mill Road  
Street, Maryland

This two story, rubble stone house faces south. It was constructed by William McCoy in 1804. David G. McCoy, owner of this home from 1827 until 1877, built the mill which later became known as Robinsons Mill.

Present owner of this house runs a small, two-man, saw mill out of a shed like structure near the house.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

The Old Stone Mansion

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER Box 95 B, Rt. 3 Robinson Mill Road

CITY, TOWN

Street

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

First

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Harford

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input 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 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 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

Charles E. Jackson Jr.

Telephone #: 836-1878

STREET & NUMBER

Box 95 B, Rt. 3 Robinson Mill Road

CITY, TOWN

Street

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

MD

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Harford County Courthouse

Liber #: 280

Folio #: 54

STREET & NUMBER

40 S. 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

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**7 DESCRIPTION**

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input 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 two story, rubble stone dwelling is located on Robinson Mill Road. The house faces south and has a frame addition. The stone unit is 3 bays by 2 and the frame addition, located on the west, is 1 bay by 2. Large, plain quoins are at this house's corners. Stone lintels are above the windows and doors on the first elevation. The house is built onto a high, lighted basement, windows being of four to six lights.

The gable flank roof is covered with plate and has wide eaves. Corbeled brick chimneys are at each inside end. Mr. Jackson stated that the slate roof was added about 1870, at which time the angle of the roof was widened and the peak lowered several feet. Doors are located in the center bay of both the north and south facades. The doors are of moulded panels. Windows on the first elevation are nine lights over six while on the second elevation they are six lights over six. Unique to this house are traces of an outside fireplace or dutch oven at the basement level on the east wall.

A buttress at the eastern corner of the south facade was used to stabilize the house when blasting began for the construction of the Penn Central (then Pennsylvania, Wilmington and Baltimore) Railroad in 1870.

Inside, this house has plastered walls and ceiling beaded panels and an enclosed winding stairway. A single fireplace is on the east wall. It has a wooden mantle. At the opposite end are two diagonal fireplaces. There is a large cooking fireplace in the basement. This area was used as the kitchen until approximately 1930.

Hand hewn log beams are visible in the attic of this house.

HA - 651 Two Man Saw Mill

This frame shelter, roofed but with open sides, houses a saw with log tracks. The power source, via a 30' belt, is a farm tractor standing outside the mill.

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# 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 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 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

This lovely stone dwelling was constructed by William McCoy in 1804. There is a datestone in the livingroom fireplace to attest to this. The house has remained in the same family all these years. David McCoy acquired the home in 1827 and in 1828 it is known that he assisted other Quakers in constructing the Broad Creek Meeting House, located on Scarborough Road.

Robinson's Mill was probably built by David G. McCoy. We find it called McCoy's Mill on a map published in 1858.

The mill passed from the McCoy family in the late '50's and was sold to Isaac Mitchell. In 1867 it was purchased from Mitchell by Nicholas R. Bell, grandfather of a later owner, Clayton Robinson. The deeds record the name of the property as "Beautiful Prospect." Nicholas Bell's daughter, Georgietta, married George Robinson of Baltimore and their sons, Ernest and Clayton Robinson, continued the milling business until 1946.

The mill served its community well for more than a century. The building was used as a feed store for a number of years, but little is left now but rubble.

**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

1798 Federal Tax List  
1814 Maryland Tax List

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

Martenet Map of 1878

Jennings and Herrick Map of 1858

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 80.5 Acres

**VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION**

This property is bounded by Robinson Mill Road on the South, the property of Robert G. Smith on the West, and the property of the Baltimore Area Council of Boy Scouts of America, Inc. on the North.

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

Harford County Historic District Commission

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

45 South Main Street

838-6000

TELEPHONE

ext. 207

CITY OR TOWN

Bel Air, Maryland 21014

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.

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

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Interview with Mr Jackson at site 28 Jan 71  
by Mr JE Bell  
Martine's Map of Harford County shows ~~H.S. Gorrell~~  
as owner 1878

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				
	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds
NW	°	'	"	°	'	"	°	'	"
NE	°	'	"	°	'	"	°	'	"
SE	°	'	"	°	'	"	°	'	"
SW	°	'	"	°	'	"	°	'	"

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: JE Bell ~~JEAN S. EWING~~ Harford Co. Committee

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

STREET AND NUMBER: Box 1704 ~~STATE ST.~~

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.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST:

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

Date \_\_\_\_\_

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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

20th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- |   |  |                |  |
|---|--|----------------|--|
| Aboriginal                              | Education <input type="checkbox"/>           | Political      | Urban Planning <input type="checkbox"/>  |
| Prehistoric <input type="checkbox"/>    | Engineering <input type="checkbox"/>         | Religion/Phi-  | Other (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Historic <input type="checkbox"/>       | Industry <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | losophy        | _____                                    |
| Agriculture <input type="checkbox"/>    | Invention <input type="checkbox"/>           | Science        | _____                                    |
| Art <input type="checkbox"/>            | Landscape                                    | Sculpture      | _____                                    |
| Commerce <input type="checkbox"/>       | Architecture <input type="checkbox"/>        | Social/Human-  | _____                                    |
| Communications <input type="checkbox"/> | Literature <input type="checkbox"/>          | itarian        | _____                                    |
| Conservation <input type="checkbox"/>   | Military <input type="checkbox"/>            | Theater        | _____                                    |
|   | Music <input type="checkbox"/>               | Transportation | _____                                    |

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

Very few two-man sawmills, small in scale, remain in the Harford County area.

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)				
	Excellent <input type="checkbox"/>	Good <input type="checkbox"/>	Fair <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/>	Unexposed <input type="checkbox"/>
INTEGRITY	(Check One)			(Check One)	
	Altered <input type="checkbox"/>	Unaltered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Moved <input type="checkbox"/>	Original Site <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Frame shelter, roofed but with sides open, over a saw with log tracks. Power source, via a 30' belt, is a farm tractor standing outside the mill. Chain and bucket to remove saw dust.

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

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MD. HISTORICAL TRUST  
BOX 1704  
ANNAPOLIS, MD. 21404

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM**

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE:	
COUNTY:	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

**1. NAME**

COMMON: Jackson Sawmill (SEE NEW FORM HA-658)

AND/OR HISTORIC:

**2. LOCATION**

STREET AND NUMBER: North side of Robinson Mill Road about 0.1 mi

CITY OR TOWN: Maenton east of Whiteford Road (Md 136)

STATE: Md 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>in use</i>	Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Restricted</i>
Site <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Structure</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Private <input checked="" 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"/>
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"/>	_____

**4. OWNER OF PROPERTY**

OWNERS NAME: Charles E Jackson

STREET AND NUMBER: Robinson Mill Road

CITY OR TOWN: Darlington STATE: Md 21034 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:

**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: \_\_\_\_\_

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