

HO-1028
Annie Stonnell House
10730 Frederick Road
Private

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SIGNIFICANCE:

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1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic Annie Stonnell House

other

2. Location

street and number 10730 Frederick Road __ not for publication

city, town Ellicott City vicinity

county Howard

3. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Williamsburg Group LLC

street and number 5485 Harpers Farm Road, Suite 200 telephone 410-997-8800

city, town Columbia state MD zip code 21044

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Howard County Courthouse liber 12788 folio 283

city, town Ellicott City tax map 16 tax parcel 235 tax ID number

5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- Contributing Resource in National Register District
 Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
 Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
 Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
 Recorded by HABS/HAER
 Historic Structure Report or Research Report at MHT
 Other: _____

6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function		Resource Count	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape	Contributing	Noncontributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture	3	0
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> defense	<input type="checkbox"/> religion	0	0
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input type="checkbox"/> domestic	<input type="checkbox"/> social	0	0
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	0	0
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	3	0
		<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> unknown		
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use	Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory 0	
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> other:		

7. Description

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Condition

excellent deteriorated
 good ruins
 fair altered

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

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The interior has two rooms across the front and is three rooms deep. The entrance opens into the southeast room, and there is 2 1/2-inch oak flooring that runs north-south throughout the house. The house has two-panel doors hung on butt hinges with ball finials, and has bronzed mortise locks with matching knobs. The openings have head-cut trim. The southeast room has a fireplace on the east with

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a brick mantel that has a wood shelf on three ogee brackets. There is a Tudor-arched opening on the north to the east-center room, which was probably a dining room. This room also has a Tudor-arched opening on the north to the kitchen in the northeast room. The kitchen has been modernized. On the west side of the kitchen is an enclosed stair to an unfinished attic. The south wall, set to the east, has an ironing board cupboard, but the board has been removed and it has been converted to small shelves. The east-center room has a doorway on the west into a hallway that leads to the sleeping rooms. Along the western half of the house are two bedrooms divided by a bathroom that now has new fixtures. At the north end of the hallway is a doorway to the cellar stairs. The house is stick built.

About 10 feet east of the north porch of the house is a frame outbuilding that is one story and one bay square. It has a concrete foundation, German siding, and a gable roof with asphalt shingles and an east-west ridge. The west elevation has a door with four lights over three lying panels. The south and north elevations each have a two-over-two sash, and there is no opening on the east elevation. This shed is built of 2 by 4s and is unfinished on the interior, and the roof is rotted and collapsing.

There is a garage about 25 feet north of the house. It is a one-story, three-bay by one-bay frame structure with a poured concrete foundation, German siding fastened with wire nails, and a gambrel roof with asphalt shingles and an east-west ridge. The south elevation has two pair of large garage doors, each with eight lights over three panels (though one leaf is missing). The east bay has a large six-over-six double-hung sash. The west elevation has the remains of a six-over-one sash with head-cut trim, and a boarded-up opening in the gambrel end. The north elevation has no openings. The east elevation has a pair of modern doors added, with a boarded-up opening in the gambrel end. The garage is built with 2 by 4s and is unfinished on the interior. There is a ladder on the north wall, set to the east, to the upper level.

All of the buildings were scheduled to be demolished in late 2010.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment/ recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 2000-	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> social history
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning		<input type="checkbox"/> maritime history	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation		<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other: _____

Specific dates N/A Architect/Builder N/A

Construction dates c. 1924

Evaluation for:

National Register Maryland Register not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance projects, complete evaluation on a DOE Form – see manual.)

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Stonnell (nee Freburger), not Annie E. Annie E. Stonnell purchased a number of properties in the 1920s, including a house on West Franklin Street in Baltimore in 1921, several lots from the Catonsville Manor Co. in 1922, and two lots (presumably unimproved, though not definitely so) in Oak Forest Park in Catonsville, in 1924. The implication of all of this activity is that Stonnell was investing the money she was making from her boarding house business into real estate. This was a common strategy throughout the nineteenth century for widows and spinsters, but it was typically ground rents that were being purchased by trustees on their behalf. By the 1920s, however, Stonnell was purchasing lots, possibly for speculation or on which she may have been building, and she was doing it on her own account. Not only that, but she was buying in rather upscale areas, like Oak Forest Park. Thus, her bungalow in Howard County may never have been meant for her dwelling. It could have been a tenant house in the beginning. Because we do not know whether she was having houses built, it is possible that Ramsburg intended to build and never got to it, though it seems more likely that he was responsible for the house. It is also possible that she had arranged with him to build it, and then purchased the house and lot once he had it completed.¹

The house that Ramsburg built was a standard bungalow plan, with the public rooms (living room, dining room, and kitchen) aligned along one side and the bedrooms and bathroom arrayed around a central hallway/vestibule along the other side. The brick mantel, flanked by small windows, is typical for the 1920s. The use of brick and the inclusion of a fireplace and a built-in ironing board, however, are amenities one would not expect for a tenant house. These suggest that it was not intended for a tenant. Stonnell was living in Howard County in 1930, where the census describes her as a 60-year-old farmer. Her son, Malcolm, was now 20 and was still living with her and working as an insurance agent. From this it would seem likely that she was living in this house, and thus, had built or bought it for her own home. Stonnell sold the house in 1944 to Joseph and Alma Fleming, and there were only two later owners of the property before it was bought by the Williamsburg Group to be demolished and redeveloped. The house was to be torn down in late 2010.²

¹ Howard County Land Records, HBN 117, 600. U. S. Bureau of the Census, Frederick City, Frederick County, Maryland, 1920. U. S. Bureau of the Census, Ward 18, Baltimore City, Maryland, 1920. *Baltimore Sun*, 13 August 1918, p. 12. 25 July 1924, p. 14; 30 July 1924, p. 16; 28 July 1955, p. 23; 16 November 1921, p. 20; 17 October 1922, p. 18; 5 January 1924, p. 12.

² U. S. Bureau of the Census, District 2, Howard County, Maryland, 1930.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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See footnotes

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property 3.349 ac.
Acreage of historical setting 8.12 ac.
Quadrangle name Sykesville

Quadrangle scale: 1:24000

Verbal boundary description and justification

The boundaries consist of the outlines of the property, tax map 16, parcel 235, which encompasses all of the historic buildings and features on the site.

11. Form Prepared by

name/title	Ken Short		
organization	Howard County Department of Planning & Zoning	date	July 2011
street & number	3430 Courthouse Drive	telephone	410-313-4335
city or town	Ellicott City	state	MD

The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties 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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DHCD/DHCP
100 Community Place
Crownsville, MD 21032-2023
410-514-7600

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 CHAIN OF TITLE

GRANTOR/HOME	GRANTEE/HOME	DATE	LIBER/ FOLIO	INSTRU- MENT	CONSIDER -ATION	ACREAGE	NOTES
April R. Robbins / ?	Williamsburg Group, LLC / MD	12 October 2010	MDR 12788-283	Deed – fee simple	\$600,000	?	Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 of "Stonefield II" Plats 21298 & 21299
April R. Robbins & Sharon S. Krag / Howard	April R. Robbins / ?	17 March 1993	MDR 2823-626	Deed – fee simple	\$21,020	3.349 ac.	
Audrey V. Kefauver / ?	April R. Robbins & Sharon S. Krag / ?	1 April 1980	CMP 995-82	Deed – fee simple	\$89,900	3.349 ac.	RSK d. 21 October 1973 Lot 412 Block 122 Wallace Park [no previous reference]
Alma O. Fleming, widow / Howard	Richard S. & Audrey V. Kefauver (H/W) / Howard	18 December 1963	WHH 412-122	Deed – fee simple	\$5.00	3.349 ac.	
Mary Constance Colbert / Howard	Alma O. Fleming / Howard	24 February 1959	RHM 330-19	Deed – fee simple	\$5.00	8.12 ac. - ?	JCF d. 24 April 1957 part sold 1949
Alma O. Fleming, widow / Howard	Mary Constance Colbert / Howard	24 February 1959	RHM 330-17	Deed – fee simple	\$5.00	8.12 ac. - ?	
Annie E. Stonnell, widow / Howard	Joseph C. & Alma O. Fleming (H/W)	9 December 1944	BM Jr. 183-400	Deed – fee simple	\$5.00	8.12 ac.	2 parcels, lots 44 & 45 subdivision of St. Charles College Farm - in 117-600 subject to restrictions in HBN 118-244
Marion E. & Sarah J. Ramsburg (H/W) / Balto City	Annie E. Stonnell	12 December 1924	HBN 122-89	Deed – fee simple	\$5.00	8.12 ac.	Lots 44 & 45
Morris & Rebecca Shapiro (H/W) / Howard	Marion E. & Sarah J. Ramsburg (H/W) / ?	26 June 1923	HBN 118-244	Deed – fee simple	\$5.00	8.12 ac.	Lots 44 & 45 Covenant – can't be owned by a negro
Trustees of St. Charles College	Morris Shapiro	22 August 1922					[not found]

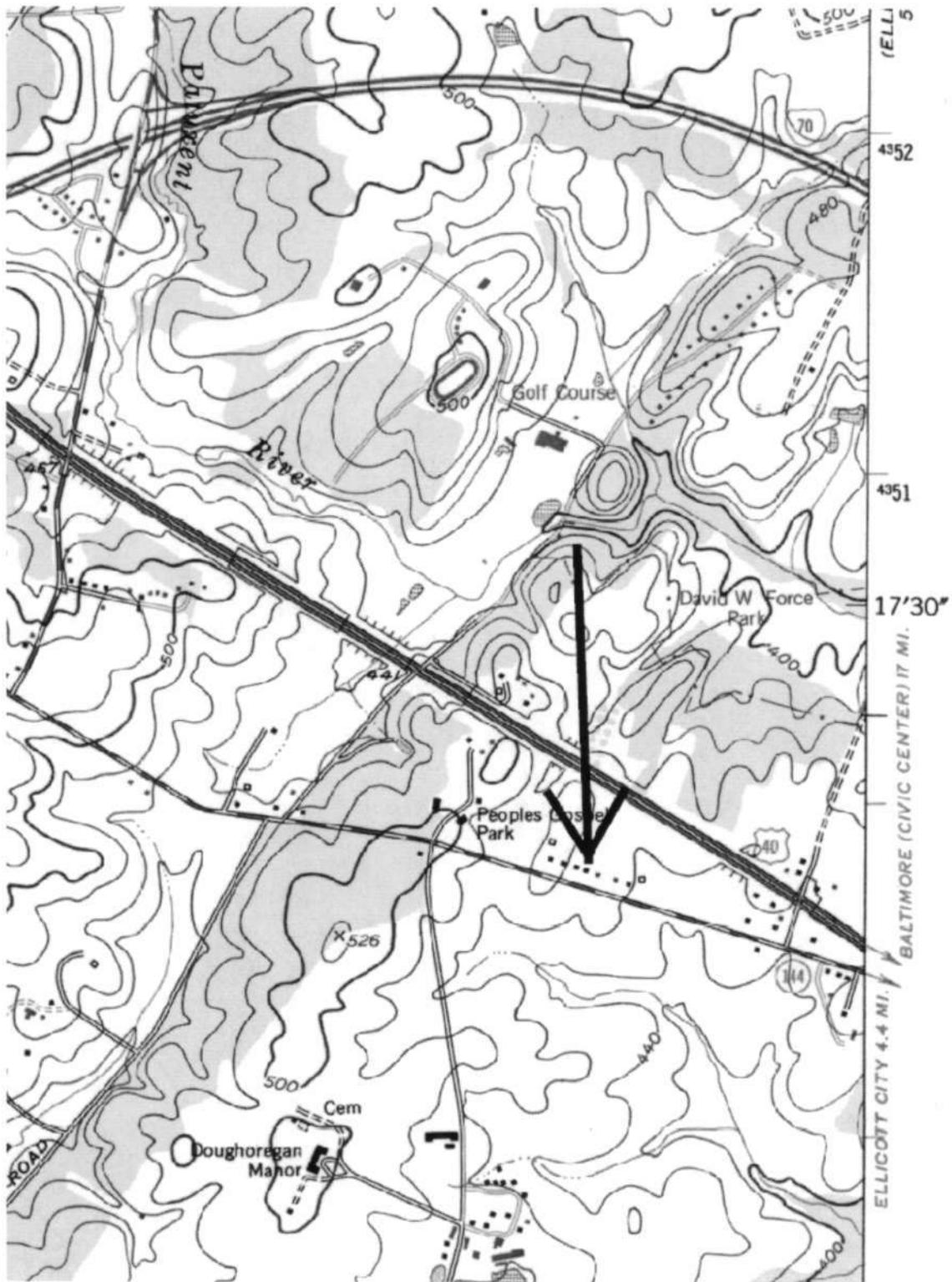
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Annie Stonnell House, site
10730 Frederick Road (MD 144)

Bing Maps Birds Eye View, c. 2009, facing north





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Annie Stonnell House
10730 Frederick Road
Sykesville quad

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Annie Stonnell House
10730 Frederick Road
Howard County, Maryland
Ken Short, photographer

Photo Log

Nikon D-70 camera
HP Premium Plus paper
HP Gray Photo print cartridge

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House, south & east elevations

HO-1028_2010-09-21_02
House, north & west elevations

HO-1028_2010-09-21_03
House, interior, southeast room, vw.
northeast

HO-1028_2010-09-21_04
Shed, north & west elevations

HO-1028_2010-09-21_05
Garage, south & east elevations



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House, north + west elevations

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