

HO-118  
The Albert Schulze Post & Plank Building  
Woodbine  
Private

circa 1850

The Albert Schulze Post and Plank Building faces north on the east of St. Michaels Road, two tenths of a mile north of its intersection with Florence Road.

It is a three bay wide, one room deep, two story high, gabled roof (running east-west) post and plank building, resting on a stone foundation, with wide, exterior, stone and brick chimney centered into its west wall.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

HO-118  
Dist. 4

MAGI #1401195404

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Albert Schulze Post and Plank Building

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

STEP. of St. Michael's Road, 1.5 miles S.W. of Rt. 144

CITY, TOWN

Florence

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

6th

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Howard

**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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE | <input checked="" 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 <u>limited</u>     | <input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER <u>vacant</u> |

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Albert Schulze etal

Telephone #: 489-4985

STREET & NUMBER

9015 Adelphi Road

CITY, TOWN

Adelphi

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland

20783

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

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Hall of Records

Liber #: 362

Folio #: 695

STREET & NUMBER

Howard County Court House

CITY, TOWN

Ellicott City

STATE

Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

Howard County Historic Sites Inventory

DATE

1978-1979

\_\_\_ FEDERAL  STATE \_\_\_ COUNTY \_\_\_ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

Maryland Historical Trust

CITY, TOWN

21 State Circle, Annapolis

STATE

Maryland

# 7 DESCRIPTION

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District 4

| CONDITION                          |                                                  | CHECK ONE                                   | CHECK ONE                                         |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT | <input checked="" 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               |                                             |                                                   |

The Albert Schulze Post and Plank Building is located on the east side of St. Michael's Road, two tenths of a mile north of its intersection with Florence Road. It is a three bay wide, one room deep, two story high, gabled roof (running east-west) post and plank building, resting on a stone foundation, with exterior west chimney.

w The large plate used to support the roof, the large joists for second floor support as well as those members used as studs in the construction of the house, are all hand hewn. Eight to eleven inch vertical boards cover the post and plank framework of the building.

Central rectangular, batten wood north and south entrance doors are flanked by flat pilasters and surmounted by flat lintels with molding. Rectangular, first floor windows rest on either side of the central entrances on the north and south elevations. A square central, second floor window is located over the north entrance. A gabled roof frame appendage covers the stone staircase, featuring five wide stone steps, which lead down to the dirt floor basement of the house.

A square, attic window rests in this east wall, which has deteriorated on its south side.

The interior reveals an open staircase, along the west wall, leading to the second floor sleeping loft. Lathing once covered with plaster is also evident, as well as a first floor dividing wall and original random width floors.

The building stands south of what is the site of a former four room, two story high, gabled roof, farm house, belonging to the Leakin family, who once owned this eighty acre farm.

This old farm house has been torn down and replaced by a new brick rancher, constructed circa 1960, by Mr. and Mrs. A.V. Schulze, the present owners, who have left the old post and plank building untouched.

The buildings are surrounded by fields of vegetables and fruit, produced for a truck farm operated in Adelphi, Maryland by the Schulze family.

**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 type="checkbox"/> 1900-                | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS          | <input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY               | <input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)<br>Local History |
|                                               |                                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION              |                                                 |                                                                      |

SPECIFIC DATES                      1850                      BUILDER/ARCHITECT

**STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

The Albert Schulze Post and Plank Building is important architecturally as an example of post and plank construction and historically in the field of local history through its association with the Leakins family, to Howard County and the State of Maryland.

Though the building today is in a dilapidated state, the open staircase to the upstairs rooms remains and the very wide, original floor boards on the second floor, with remnants of lathing and ceiling plaster throughout. The original, wide, exterior, stone chimney and original cooking fireplace, which once held a crane for holding a cooking vessel, also remains, as well as a very deeply cut stone foundation, which was once used as a root cellar.

The house is reputed, by the Leakins family, to be some 120 years old. An S. Day and W. Pickett are noted in this general location on the 1878 Hopkin's Atlas. Ordinarily slave tenant houses were not constructed on such well-defined and deep stone foundations, such as we find here. In the late nineteenth century and during the first half of the twentieth century, the building was rented out as a residential dwelling by the Leakins family, who had constructed a frame house north of the post and plank dwelling unit. The frame house was demolished when a new brick rancher was constructed on the property. The old post and plank building was abandoned and for a time its root cellar used. Now it stands vacant, leaning heavily to one side.

Its importance is local historically, but it is believed that the early construction methods incorporated within the building, may be of national as well as state significance.

**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Land Records of Howard County, Maryland  
Interview with Mrs. Louise Johnson, 1694 St. Michael's Road, Woodbine, Md.  
Interview with Mrs. Schulze, May 15, 1979  
Convergence of Surveyors of MHT at Elkton, Maryland May 22, 23, 1979  
Interview with Mr. Joseph Leakins, previous owner and his son, Ronnie Leakins (489-4885)

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 78.91 acres

Please see Attachment 1, Tax Map 7

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Please see Howard County Land Records, Liber 362 Folio 695

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

|       |          |        |        |
|-------|----------|--------|--------|
| STATE | Maryland | COUNTY | Howard |
| STATE |          | COUNTY |        |

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

Cleora Barnes Thompson, Archivist

ORGANIZATION

Office of Planning & Zoning-Comprehensive Planning Section

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

3450 Court House Drive

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Ellicott City

STATE

Maryland

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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→ name changed in Cleo Thompson's 1977 survey.

Albert Schulze log bldg. (ruin?)  
St. Michael's Rd, Mt Airy

spotted from Road by MMB  
7/20/20.

Albert Schultz - owner

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fox Map # 7

Albert A. Schulze, et al.

362/695

78.91 A.

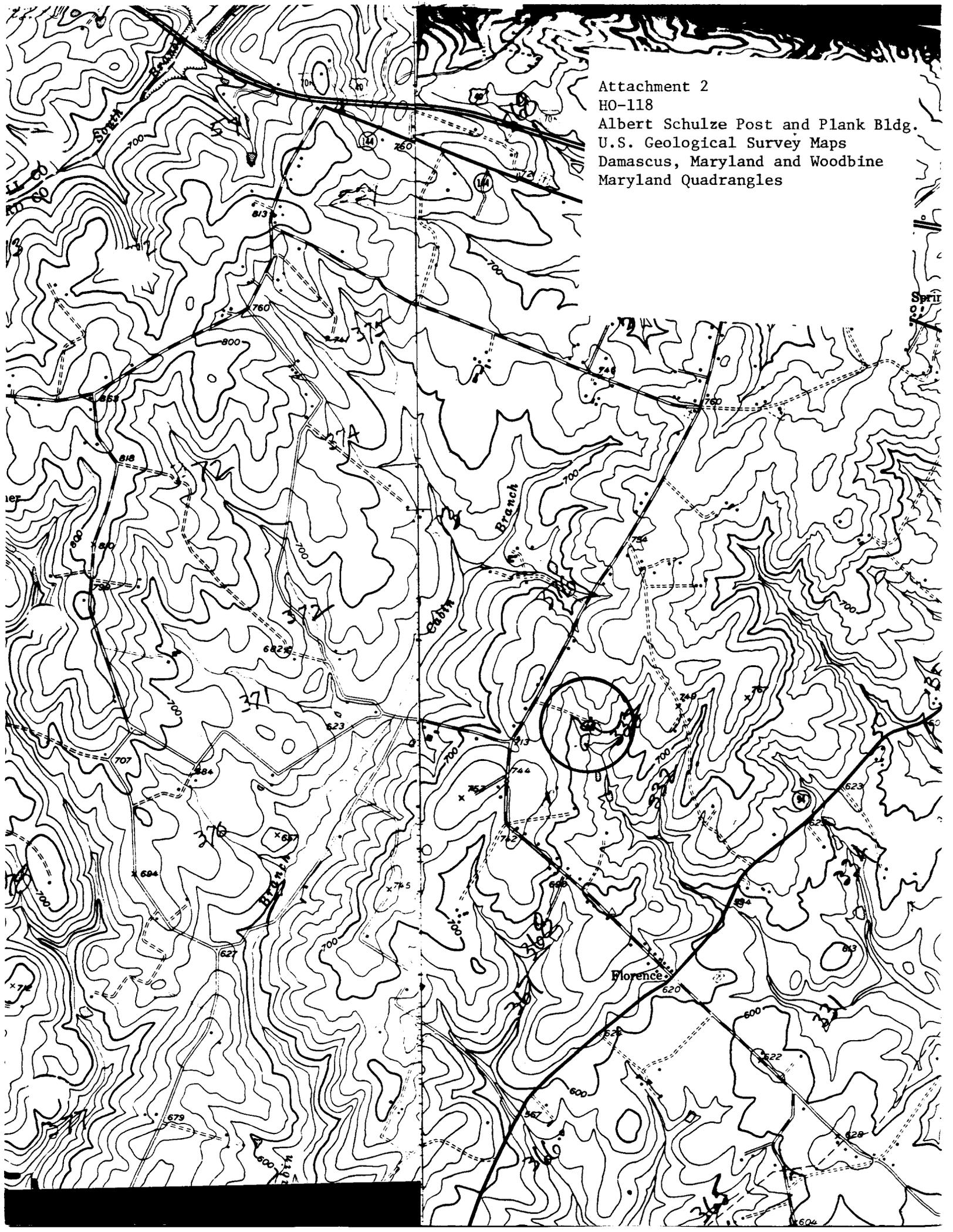
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Attachment 2  
HO-118  
Albert Schulze Post and Plank Bldg.  
U.S. Geological Survey Maps  
Damascus, Maryland and Woodbine  
Maryland Quadrangles





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~~HO-102~~

~~Sarah Jane Powell~~  
~~Log Cabin~~  
**7754**

JSE May 72

(Albert Schultze' log house)



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Albert Schulze Post & Plank

Bldg

North

May - 1979

CB Thompson ACE