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Cacaway Farm  
Broad Neck  
1st Quarter 19th Century

Cacaway Farm is located at the southern tip of Broad Neck. Incorporated into the present house which dates from the 1930's, is an early one and a half story brick structure which would have contained one room on each story originally. The two-bay south facade was laid in Flemish bond; the other sides were all laid in Liverpool bond. The chimney on the west gable contains two flues which suggests the possibility of fireplaces on each floor. When the house was augmented in the 1930's, the interior of the early section was completely renewed.

The southern tip of Broad Neck was the site of Gloucester, a town established by the General Assembly in the 1680's. In 1685, 400 acres of Gloucester was owned by William Comegys, son of Cornelius Comegys.<sup>1</sup> When the latter wrote his will in 1707, he bequeathed a 300 acre tract to William "in Piney Neck over against him in Chester River."<sup>2</sup>

1. Rent Rolls, No. 12-A-137.
2. Wills, Lib. 1, fol. 92.

# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Cacaway

and/or common Cacaway Farms

## 2. Location

street & number Broad Neck Rd \_\_\_\_\_ not for publication

city, town Chestertown,  vicinity of \_\_\_\_\_ congressional district First

state Maryland county Kent

## 3. Classification Building/ private

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 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 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 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

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

name David R. Wilmerding Sr.

street & number 258 Hothorpe Lane telephone no.: 215-688-3362

city, town Villanova state and zip code Pennsylvania 19085

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Kent County Court House liber WHG67

street & number \_\_\_\_\_ folio 618

city, town Chestertown state Maryland

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title \_\_\_\_\_

date \_\_\_\_\_ federal \_\_\_\_\_ state \_\_\_\_\_ county \_\_\_\_\_ local \_\_\_\_\_

depository for survey records \_\_\_\_\_

city, town \_\_\_\_\_ state \_\_\_\_\_

# 7. Description

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<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>
<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 of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

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

The old section of this house is brick. One-and-one-half stories high and two bays wide and one room deep. It has a twentieth century addition making it one of two 1½ story wings that flank a two-story main house. In this remodeling, which was done in the Colonial Revival style, all early features of the old house except the brick walls were altered.

# 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
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/ humanitarian
<input checked="" 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**

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.

The old house on Cacaway Farm probably was constructed in the first half of the eighteenth century. Now, greatly altered, its significance is primarily based on the fact that it documents that this was the site of an early plantation. The 1½ story form typifies farm buildings of that period.



## CONTINUATION SHEET

## 7.1 Description (continued)

1. Size - 2 stories, 3 bays wide, 3 deep  
     Wing A: (refers to the early section of the house)  
             1½ stories, 2 bays wide, one room deep  
     Wing B: 1½ stories, 2 bays wide, one room deep
2. Plan type (main section)
3. Roof type - Main Section: Gable  
     Wing A: Steep gable  
     Wing B: constructed to match
4. Chimneys - Historically significant chimney in Wing A contains  
     2 flues.  
     Materials: Brick  
     Decorative elements: Corbelled and banded cap-  
                             reconstructed in the 20th Century
5. Material/Walls - Main Section: Frame ; aluminum siding  
     Wing A: Brick; Flemish on water side and Liverpool  
             elsewhere.  
     Wing B: Frame; aluminum siding
6. Material/Roofs - Main section: Asphalt shingles (green)  
     Wing A: Same  
     Wing B: Same
7. Material/Foundation - Main section: Stuccoed  
     Wing A: Brick  
     Wing B: Same as main section
8. Age - Main section: First half 18th Century  
     Wings, additions: probably 1939 based on bronze sundial in the front  
                             walk
9. Style - Wing A: 18th Century, Vernacular  
     Additions: Colonial Revival

Building Elements and Details

1. Doors - Main entry: All millwork details are in the Colonial Revival style  
     including paneled shutters and hardware, paneled doors,  
     box locks;
2. Windows - Main section: type- Double hung  
                             Lights- variable  
                             Shutters- variable but with fielded panels  
     Wings: Type - double hung  
             lights - 6/6  
             details - plain frames with inside bead (wooden)  
                     plain wooden sills  
             Shutters - 3 fielded paneled - twentieth century repro-  
                             duction

## CONTINUATION SHEET

## 7.2 DESCRIPTION (continued)

3. Dormers - Recent gable
4. Roof details - Main section: plain box  
Wings: plain box
5. Porches - On the land side of the house there are one- story running for 3 bays along the front of the wings to the main house block. On the water side is a 2-story screened porch with casement windows.
6. Color - Current White
7. Other - Set into the brick wall of the southeast gable of wing A is an Indian Head. It appears to be Terra-Cotta and does not appear to be old.

Interior Description

1. Plan type - Central block with flanking wings
2. Major stair - Colonial Revival copy of eighteenth century design: slender simple turned newel, plain balusters; 2 per step.
3. Major mantles - copies of early styles - no historic interest
4. Major trim : Windows/doors - modern ogee or plain  
Baseboards - plain  
Cornices - modern ogee  
Chair rails - Some wainscoting - 20th century
5. Major doors - 6, modern, panel
6. Floors
7. Walls/ ceiling finishes - plaster with some wooden paneling  
All interior finishes date from the remodeling

## OUTBUILDINGS/SITE DESCRIPTION

1. Major outbuildings - None of historic interest; modern garage
2. Site description - Sweeping lawn with mature trees immediately surrounds the house. Gable end of Wing A and adjacent lawn covered with ivy.
3. Views to/from site - This house is not a part of a large farm complex and is one of three rented housed on the property. It is reached by a long lane that curves past another house and barns. This house overlooks the head of Langford Creek and is visible from Quaker Neck.

USE OF BUILDING

1. Current - Tenant house
2. Historic - Residence

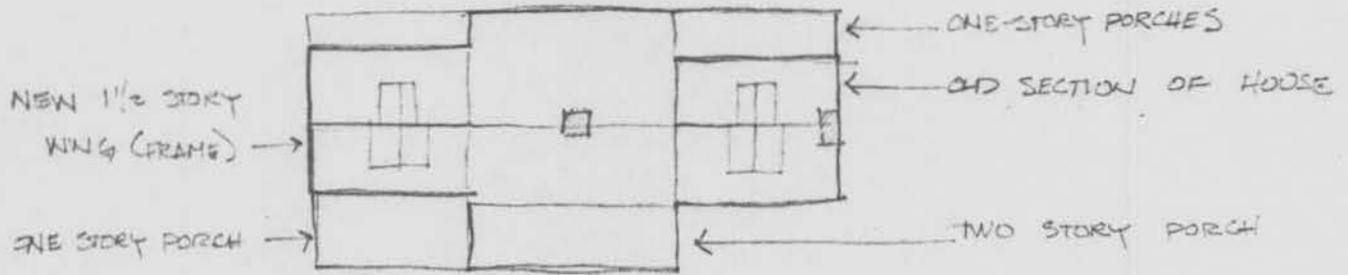
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## 7.3 DESCRIPTION (continued)

History of Building/Past Ownership

The history of this house is not known. In the nineteenth century the farm was owned by Captain H.C. Hadaway.

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## Cacaway Farm -

Only the east wing of the house on Cacaway Farm has any age. It is a 2-bay long, 1½ story brick structure painted white. It sits in a grove of trees and looks over the Longford Bay.

1. STATE <i>Maryland</i> COUNTY <i>Kent</i> TOWN <i>Chestertown</i> VICINITY <i>Broad Neck</i> STREET NO. <i>Langford Road, south of</i> <i>Rt 20 - to the end - (house on west)</i> ORIGINAL OWNER ORIGINAL USE <i>Dwelling</i> PRESENT OWNER <i>David R Wilmerding</i> PRESENT USE <i>tenant house</i> WALL CONSTRUCTION <i>brick</i> NO. OF STORIES <i>1 1/2</i>	HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY INVENTORY <i>k-256</i>
	2. NAME <i>Cacaway Farm</i> DATE OR PERIOD <i>13<sup>th</sup> Century</i> STYLE ARCHITECT BUILDER
	3. FOR LIBRARY OF CONGRESS USE

4. NOTABLE FEATURES, HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND DESCRIPTION OPEN TO PUBLIC *No*

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5. PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE *Endangered No Interior Exterior *good**

6. LOCATION MAP (Plan Optional) 7. PHOTOGRAPH

8. PUBLISHED SOURCES (Author, Title, Pages)  
INTERVIEWS, RECORDS, PHOTOS, ETC.

9. NAME, ADDRESS AND TITLE OF RECORDER  
*Michael Bourne*

DATE OF RECORD *5/70*

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION AND PHOTOGRAPHS MAY BE ADDED ON SHEET OF SAME SIZE





View to North

CACCAWAY (K-256)

Broad Neck, Chestertown, Kent County

Photograph: M. L. Fritz, June 1981