

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY
HISTORIC SITE SUMMARY SHEET

Survey #: P.G. #68-12-3 Building Date: 1903

Building Name: The Zellers House

Location: 3608 Upshur Street, Brentwood, Maryland

Private/Residence/Occupied/Good/Inaccessible

Description

The Zellers House is a 2 1/2 story cross-gabled frame dwelling. The original wood siding is covered with white asbestos shingle. The principal south gable and the projecting east crossgable are pedimented. The principal facade is decorated by a deep gabled porch with stick style decoration. Window trim is painted red.

Significance

This is a good example of a large and noticeable cross-gabled dwelling, prominent for its corner location. It was built in 1903 for the family of William Zellers. Zellers became active in civic affairs and served as first secretary of the Brentwood Improvement Association in 1917. With its prominent corner location, it is a landmark in the Brentwood community. With its prominent corner location, it is a landmark in the Brentwood community.

Acreage: 10,000 square feet

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic The Zellers House

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 3608 Upshur St. not for publication

city, town Brentwood vicinity of congressional district 4

state Maryland county Prince George's

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" 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	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<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 Verron Bretemps

street & number 3604 Upshur Street telephone no.:

city, town Brentwood state and zip code MD 20722

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Prince George's County Courthouse liber 4850

street & number 14735 Main Street folio 900

city, town Upper Marlboro state MD

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title None

date federal state county local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Survey No. PG#68-12-3

Condition
 excellent deteriorated unaltered original site
 good ruins altered moved date of move _____
 fair unexposed

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

The Zellers House is a 2 1/2 story cross-gabled frame dwelling. The original wood siding is covered with white asbestos shingle. The principal south gable and the projecting east crossgable are pedimented. The principal facade is decorated by a deep gabled porch with stick style decoration. Window trim is painted red.

8. Significance

Survey No.

PG#68-12-3

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input checked="" 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/
<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 1903 **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.

This is a good example of a large and noticeable cross-gabled dwelling, prominent for its corner location. It was built in 1903 for the family of William Zellers. Zellers became active in civic affairs and served as first secretary of the Brentwood Improvement Association in 1917. With its prominent corner location, it is a landmark in the Brentwood community. With its prominent corner location, it is a landmark in the Brentwood community.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. PG#68-12-4

Prince George's County Deeds
Prince George's County Tax Assessments
Prince George's County Probate Records
Prince George's County Plats

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 10,000 sq ft (Brentwood, Block 7, lot 17)
Quadrangle name Washington East Quadrangle scale 1:24000

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

A	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	B	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	Zone	Easting	Northing		Zone	Easting	Northing
C	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	D	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
E	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	F	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
G	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	H	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Verbal boundary description and justification

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

state	code	county	code
-------	------	--------	------

state	code	county	code
-------	------	--------	------

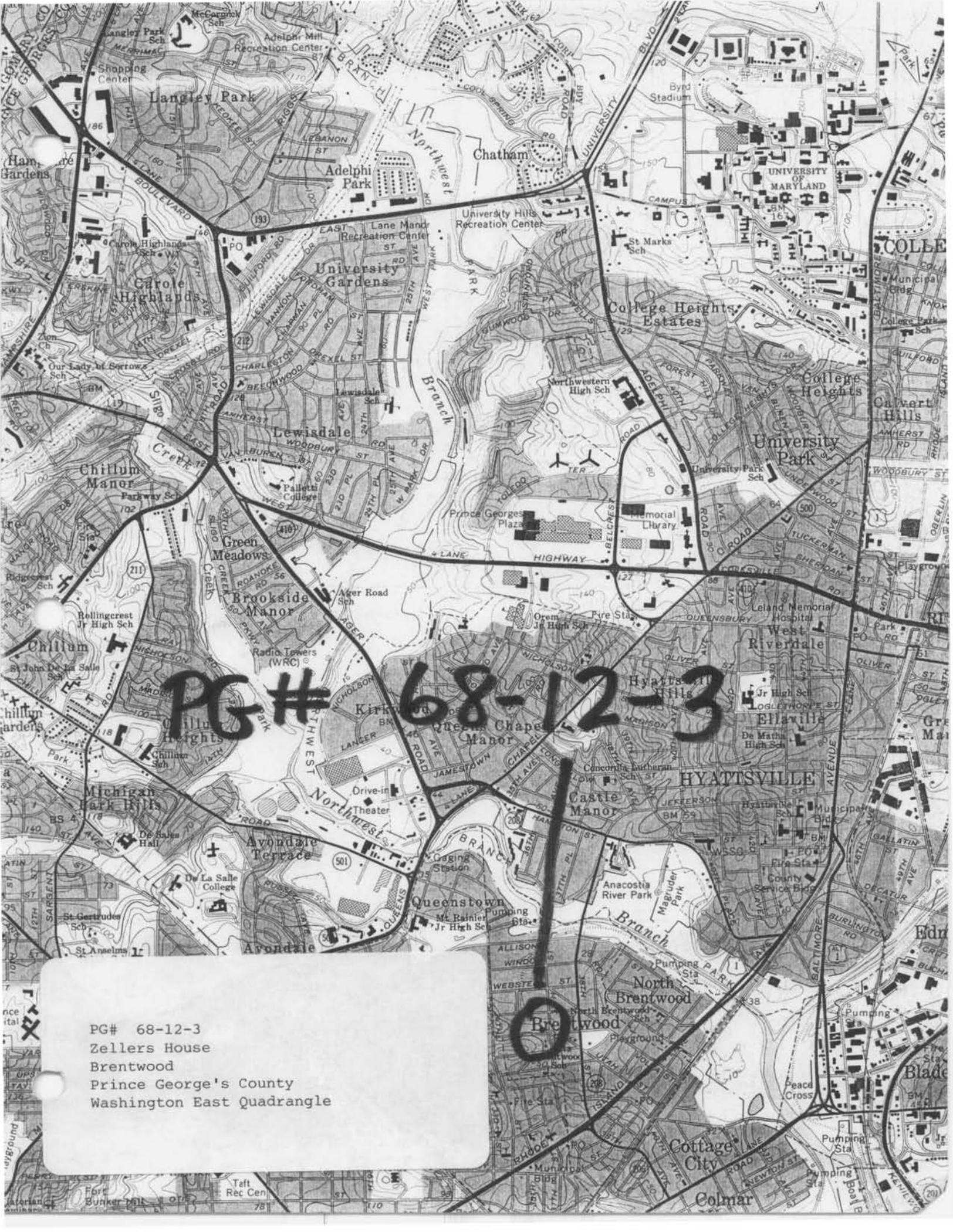
11. Form Prepared By

name/title	Susan G. Pearl, Research/Architectural Historian		
	Historic Preservation Section		
organization	Planning Dept. M-NCPPC	date	June 1992
street & number	14741 Gov. Oden Bowie Drive	telephone	(301) 952-3521
city or town	Upper Marlboro	state	MD

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
Shaw House
21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 269-2438



PG# 68-12-3

PG# 68-12-3
Zellers House
Brentwood
Prince George's County
Washington East Quadrangle



Pg. # 68-12-3

(3)

Zellers Home
3608 Upstar Street
Bentwood P.A. Co.
Susan H. Paul
March 1992
Somecast 3/4 elevation

1 of 1