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Hilton Grange  
Sudlersville  
private

c. 1850  
1857  
1910

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Hilton Grange

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

Md. Rt. 313, south end of town, west side

CITY, TOWN

Sudlersville

— VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

First

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Queen Anne'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	<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**

NAME

Mr. & Mrs. James B. Clements

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Sudlersville

— VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21668

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC Queen Anne's County Courthouse

Liber #: CWC 48

Folio #: 75

STREET & NUMBER

Courthouse Square

CITY, TOWN

Centreville

STATE

Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input 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		

## DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Hilton Grange is located on the west side of Rt. 313, the last house in the town limits of Sudlersville. It is a five bay long, two story frame Victorian Italianate farmhouse balanced on the ends with a porch on the north and a sun room on the south. To the rear of the building is a large two story wing.

The east facade of the building is five bays long with central entry. Above the entry is a fluted Doric portico with arched ceiling. The entrance has double door with arched upper panels, sidelights, and an elliptical fanlight repeating the arch of the portico ceiling. Flanking the portico are two windows with 6/6 sash and louvered blinds. On the second story are five windows beneath a heavy bracketed cornice. Two brick chimneys rise within the gables of the building at the apex of the shallow 'A' roof.

On the north end of the building is an open porch with the same fluted Doric columns as the portico. On the south is a sun room which appears to have been a small room with porch prior to being

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## CONTINUATION SHEET

## 7.1 DESCRIPTION

glazed. In the center is a glazed door with semi-circular head.

On the south gable of the sun room is a bay window with panels beneath the windows and brackets around its cornice.

On the back of the building is a four bay, two story wing with a small two story bathroom tower in the north corner and a large one story addition in the south corner.

Inside, the plan consists of the popular central hall plan with flanking living room on the north and dining room on the south; opening south of the dining room is the sun room. Behind the stair hall is a den and behind the dining room is the new kitchen. Behind the den is the present utility room which was originally the kitchen.

Original trim around windows and doors has a remarkably Georgian quality, but with Victorian profiles. The open string stair has a large turned newel and square balusters. It ascends on the south side of the hall. Between the stair hall and living room most of the wall has been removed and replaced with fluted Doric columns. The mantels in both rooms are plain classical mantels with cambered arch frieze supported on plain pilasters. The molding beneath the shelf has a Greek profile. Flanking the living room fireplace are two glazed doors to the porch. Two openings to the sun room flank the dining room

## CONTINUATION SHEET

## 7.2 DESCRIPTION

fireplace.

On the west wall of the dining room is a door with transom, now to the kitchen, but originally to a porch connecting the old kitchen. The other rooms are very simply finished.

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
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 type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

**VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION**

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

STATE COUNTY

STATE COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

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ORGANIZATION

Queen Anne's County Historical Society

DATE

9/9/83

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Centreville

STATE

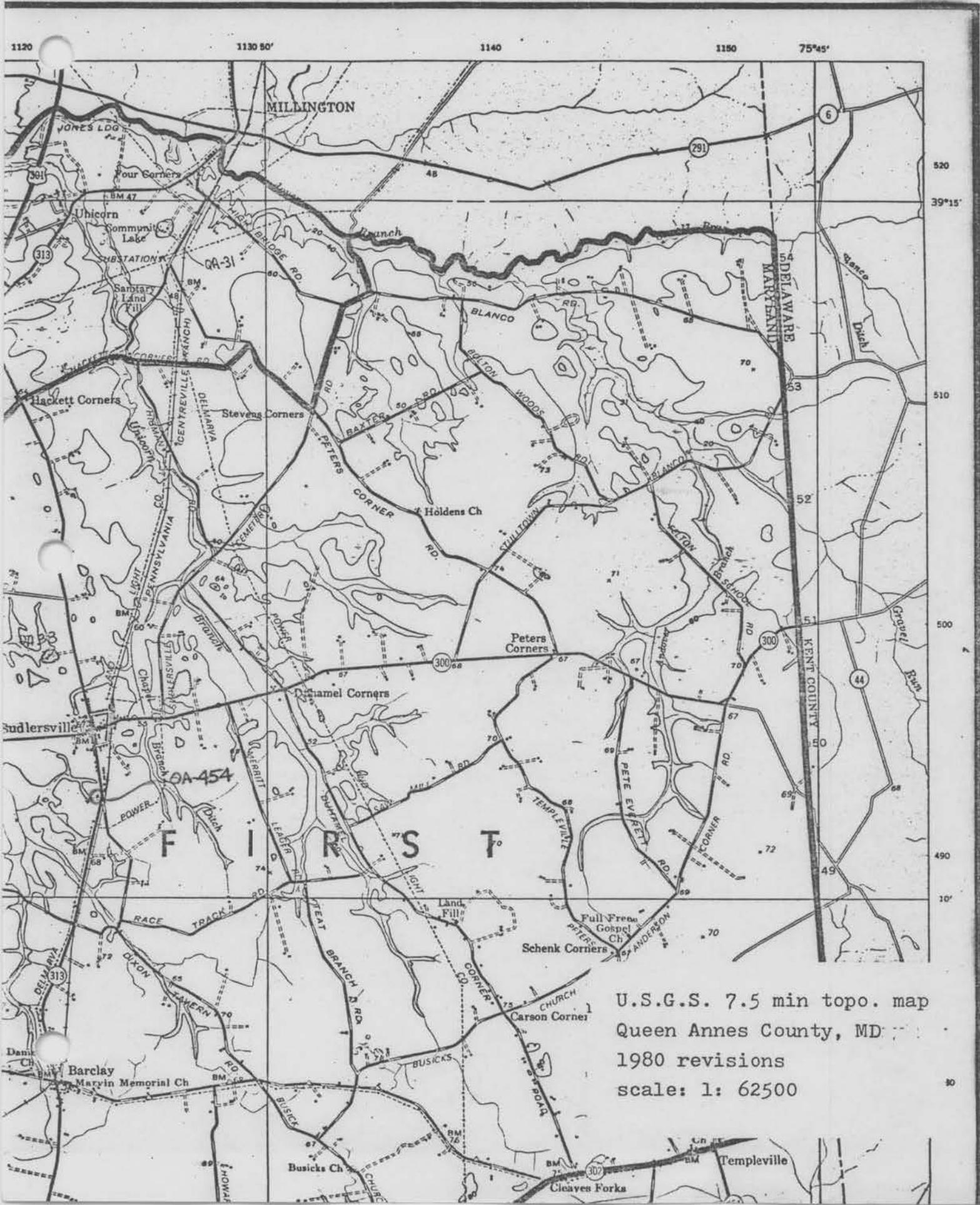
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The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

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 Queen Annes County, MD  
 1980 revisions  
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Mary McCarthy  
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