

Capsule Summary  
SM-824  
23217 Bay Side Road  
Compton vicinity  
Private

circa 1900

Located in a rather isolated portion of the county near St. Clements Bay, the house at 23217 Bay Side Road is situated in the midst of an 82.97 acre farmstead that includes a linear row of tobacco barns and a stripping shed that extend to the south of the main house. Approached via a long dirt farm lane, the main farmhouse is a circa 1900, two story, three bay, frame house with a gable roof and one story wing. While a relatively common building type, the entire composition represents a relatively well preserved example of a late-nineteenth and early twentieth century farmstead that deserves further research and architectural investigation. A high priority should be placed on documenting this resource.

# Maryland Historical Trust Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

Inventory No. SM-824

## 1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic

other 23217 Bay Side Road

## 2. Location

street and number 23217 Bay Side Road \_\_\_ not for publication

city, town Compton x vicinity

county St. Mary's

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

name Elsie Woodburn

street and number 23217 Bay Side Road telephone N/a

city, town Leonardtown state Md zip code 10650-5620

## 4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. St. Mary's County Courthouse tax map and parcel TM-31, P-74

city, town Leonardtown liber JMM 9 folio 247

## 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
_____ district	_____ public	<u>x</u> agriculture	Contributing
<u>x</u> building(s)	<u>x</u> private	_____ landscape	Noncontributing
_____ structure	_____ both	_____ commerce/trade	_____ buildings
_____ site		_____ defense	_____ sites
_____ object		<u>x</u> domestic	_____ structures
		_____ education	_____ objects
		_____ funerary	_____ Total
		_____ government	
		_____ health care	
		_____ industry	
		_____ recreation/culture	
		_____ religion	
		_____ social	
		_____ transportation	
		_____ work in progress	
		_____ unknown	
		_____ vacant/not in use	
		_____ other:	
			Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory
			0

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## 7. Description

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### Condition

excellent       deteriorated  
 good             ruins  
 fair               altered

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

The house and farm located at 23217 Bay Side Road is located just north of the rural crossroads community of Compton, Maryland. Situated in the middle of 82.97 acres, the farm consists of cultivated fields ringed by a mature woodlands. The main house, oriented on an east/west axis, is directly aligned with the main dirt farm lane that extends to the west of Bay Side Road. Immediately to the south of the main house is a row of agricultural buildings that include at least three early-twentieth century tobacco barns and a stripping shed. The property is bounded to the north, south, and west by wooded tracts, and by the road to the east.

The main dwelling at 23217 Bay Side Road is a circa 1890 two story, three bay, frame house with a gable roof and a one story wing. While the exterior cladding is obscured by foliage and the distance of the resource from the road, the roof is sheathed with either raised seam or corrugated metal. It appears that the house retains two exterior end brick chimneys as well as a one story addition attached to the northern gable end.

The first floor of the primary or east elevation appears to be pierced by a central door flanked on either side by a window of unknown sash with shutters. The second floor is fenestrated by three windows. The fenestration of the one story wing is unclear.

No other elevations were investigated.

# 8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government
<input 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**

**Architect/Builder**

**Construction dates**

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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## 9. Major Bibliographical References

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Hammett, Regina Combs. History of St. Mary's County, Maryland: 1634-1990. Ridge, Md: Self-published, 1994.

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## 10. Geographical Data

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Acreage of surveyed property	<u>50 acres</u>	
Acreage of historical setting	<u>82.97 acres</u>	
Quadrangle name	<u>Leonardtown</u>	Quadrangle scale: <u>1:24 000</u>

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### Verbal boundary description and justification

The property is bounded to the north, south, and west by wooded tracts, and by the road to the east. A more specific description of the property's boundaries can be found in St. Mary's County Land Records Liber JMM 9, Folio 247.

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## 11. Form Prepared by

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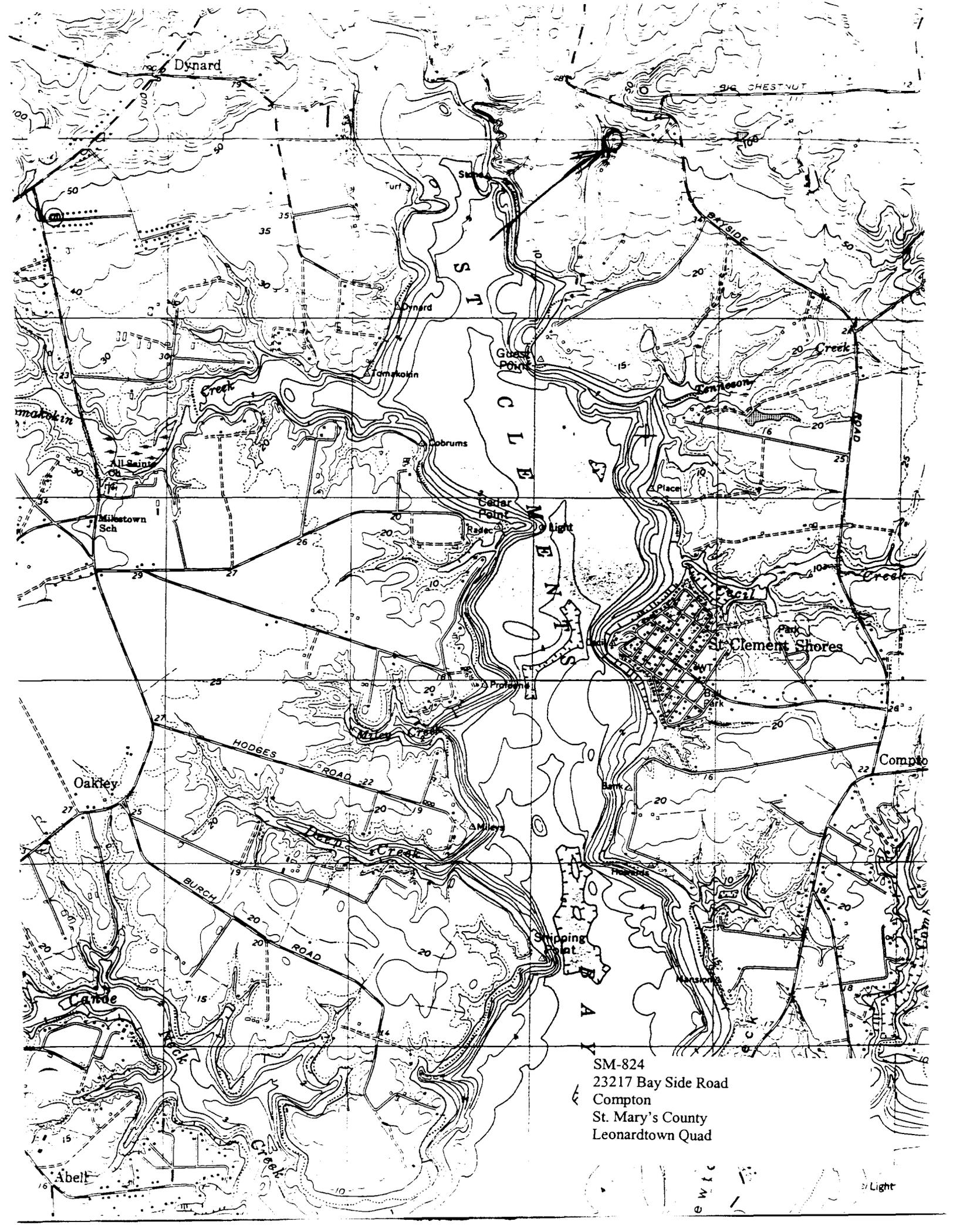
name/title	Kirk E. Ranzetta, Historic Sites Surveyor		
organization	St. Mary's County Department of Planning & Zoning	date	August, 2000
street & number	22740 Washington Street	telephone	301-475-4662
city or town	Leonardtown	state	Maryland

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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.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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C L E M E N T

Stamoklin

All Saints Sch

Milestown Sch

Carier Point

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Place

St. Clement Shores

Oakley

HODGES

ROAD -22

BURCH

ROAD

Shipping Point

Compton

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