

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

NOMINATION FORM
for the
NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

1. NAME

COMMON:

AND/OR HISTORIC:
Joseph Bingham House

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: (MD 64)
2555 Jefferson Blvd. southeast corner of intersection w/Robinwood Drive
CITY OR TOWN:
Hagerstown
STATE: Maryland COUNTY: Washington

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)
 Agricultural Government Park Transportation Comments
 Commercial Industrial Private Residence Other (Specify) _____
 Educational Military Religious _____
 Entertainment Museum Scientific _____

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
Robinwood Development Co.
STREET AND NUMBER:
106 Greenwood Drive
CITY OR TOWN: Hagerstown STATE: Maryland

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Washington County Court House
STREET AND NUMBER:
West Washington Street
CITY OR TOWN: Hagerstown STATE: Maryland

Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #): 409/796

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:

DATE OF SURVEY: Federal State County Local
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: STATE:

WA-1-073

7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This house is located at 2555 Jefferson Boulevard, Hagerstown, Maryland. It is situated on the south edge of the road, facing north. The structure is a two-story, four-bay stone dwelling with black and white trim. A circa 1910 wing of rusticated rock extends to the rear.

The walls are constructed of coursed local fieldstone which has been cut carefully at the front elevation. There is no decorative work associated with the wall construction. The first story windows at the front elevation, however, have small squared blocks between larger rectangular stones at their heads.

The windows are spaced evenly at the front elevation and at random in the side and rear walls. The window frames hold two-over-two pane Victorian period double-hung sashes. Most windows are flanked by louvered shutters.

The main entrance is located in the second bay from the west end of the front elevation. The doorway is very simple in appearance and is framed similarly to the windows. A narrow four-light transom is present over the door.

The roof is covered with sheet metal and extends for several inches beyond the end walls of the house. Plain boxing with molded trim finishes the eaves. Small brick chimneys with several courses of corbeling are located inside each gable end.

The house is in fair condition and stands on a tract containing 13.06 acres.

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B. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian	<input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century
<input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century	

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal	<input type="checkbox"/> Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Political	<input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning
<input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> Engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)
<input type="checkbox"/> Historic	<input type="checkbox"/> Industry	<input type="checkbox"/> Science	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> Invention	<input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture	_____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Art	<input type="checkbox"/> Literature	<input type="checkbox"/> Theater	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Communications	<input type="checkbox"/> Music		_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Conservation			_____

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The area of significance of this house is its architecture. Built with four bays and an off-center front door, this house is an example of a major architectural group in Washington County and the Cumberland Valley. Many stone dwellings dating from the first half of the 19th century and following the four-bay, off-center door plan still stand in Washington County.

This house is said by local historians to have been built by Joseph Bingham in 1820. Bingham purchased the property in 1819 from Peter Spessard. The house was later owned by Charles Baker, a shoemaker.

For additional information on this and other properties in the Chewsville election district, contact Howard L. Spessard, 911 View Street, Hagerstown, Maryland.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
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SE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 13.06 acres

Acreage Justification:

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

STATE:	COUNTY:

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Paula Stoner Dickey, Consultant

ORGANIZATION: Washington County Historical Sites Survey DATE: August, 1974

STREET AND NUMBER:
Court House Annex

CITY OR TOWN: Hagerstown STATE: Maryland

12 State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:
 National State Local

Signature _____

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