

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST  
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM**

NR Eligible: yes   
no

Property Name: Brick House, near Rock Forge Inventory Number: WA-I-167

Address: 22213 Rocky Forge Road City: Hagerstown Zip Code: 21742

County: Washington USGS Topographic Map: Washington County - Smithsburg Quad

Owner: Robert F. & Carla M. Stockslager Is the property being evaluated a district? NO

Tax Parcel Number: 8 Tax Map Number: 26 Tax Account ID Number: 009841

Project: Cook Property Agency: Federal Communications Commission

Site visit by MHT Staff:  no  yes Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Is the property located within a historic district?  yes  no

<i>If the property is within a district</i>		District Inventory Number: _____
NR-listed district <input type="checkbox"/> yes	Eligible district <input type="checkbox"/> yes	District Name: _____
Preparer's Recommendation: Contributing resource <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no Non-contributing but eligible in another context <input type="checkbox"/>		

<i>If the property is not within a district (or the property is a district)</i>	
Preparer's Recommendation: Eligible <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	

Criteria:  A  B  C  D Considerations:  A  B  C  D  E  F  G  None

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Maryland Historical Trust Nomination Form for the National Register of Historic Places, National Parks Service, dated September, 1975.

Description of Property and Eligibility Determination: *(Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)*

The property was most recently observed and photographed on February 5, 2003. The condition of the property appeared virtually unchanged since the preparation of the Maryland Historical Trust Worksheet, Nomination Form for the National Register Of Historic Places, National Parks Service, in the library of the Maryland Historical Trust.

The property is described in the Maryland Historical Trust Worksheet, Nomination Form for the National Register Of Historic Places, National Parks Service, prepared by Paula Stoner Dickey, Consultant, of Washington County Historic Sites Survey, in September, 1975. Following is a brief summary of that property description, as modified by site observations made February 5, 2003.

<b>MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST REVIEW</b>	
Eligibility recommended <input type="checkbox"/>	Eligibility not recommended <input type="checkbox"/>
Criteria: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D	Considerations: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/> E <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> G <input type="checkbox"/> None
Comments: _____	
<u>Not Evaluated - More Info Needed</u>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services	Date _____
Reviewer, NR Program	Date _____

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NR-ELIBILITY REVIEW FORM

Continuation Sheet No. 1

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The house is described as

"a two story, five bay brick dwelling with a two story, three bay brick and frame ell extending to the rear or south...A three bay shed roofed entrance porch which does not appear to be original shelters the front door. The frame section of the ell, comprising its east elevation appears to have been a double porch which was enclosed...A small shed roof porch is present at the west elevation of the ell...A brick chimney is located inside the east gable wall. A modern exterior flue of brick is attached to the west gable end...South of the house are two small outbuildings, one of brick and one of stone...West of the house is a large stone bank barn of roughly coursed local limestone."

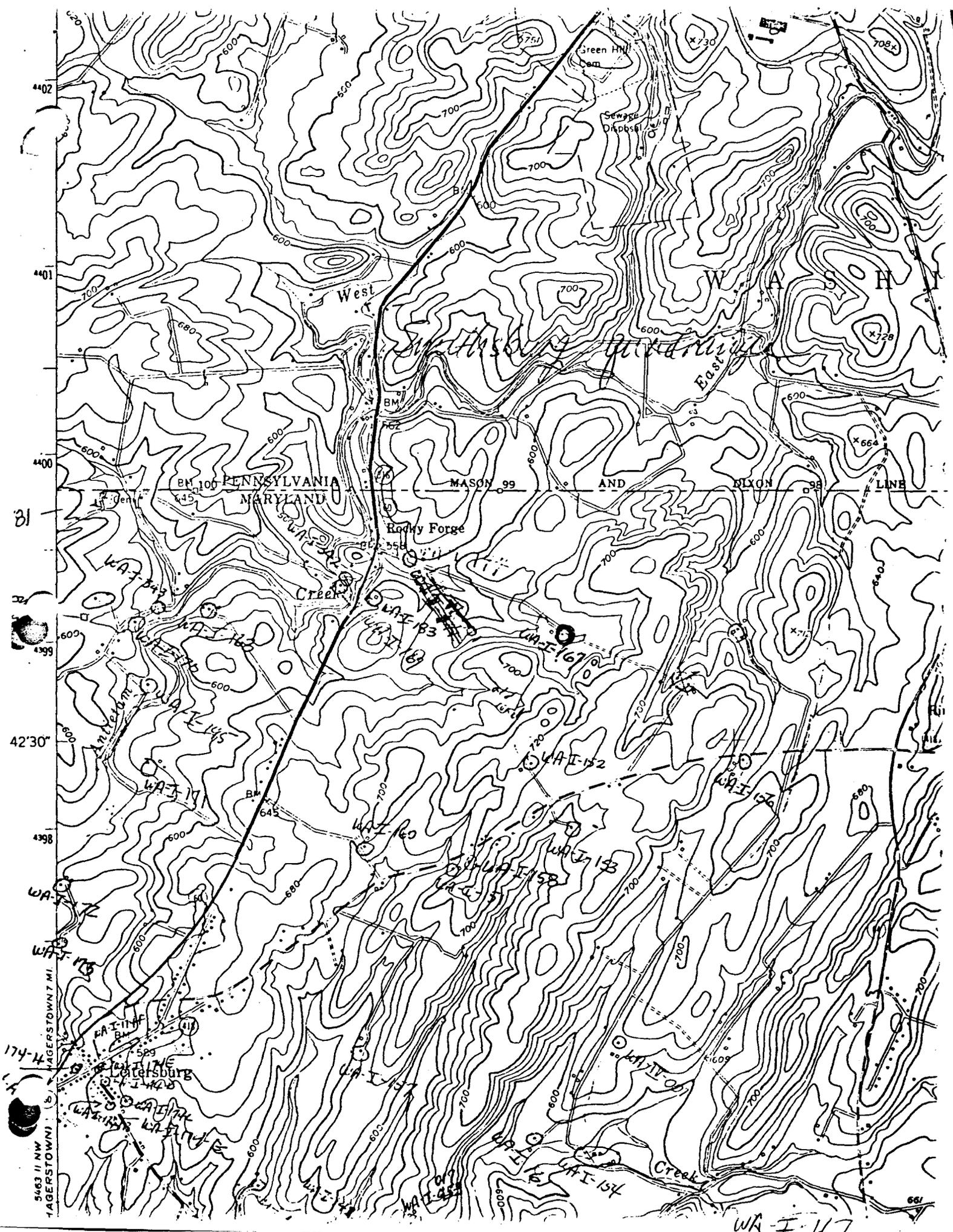
It was observed that the buildings are in fair condition. The property is not directly associated with historical events meeting the requirements of Criterion A, nor is it associated with any historic personage that would qualify it for registration under Criterion B. The house is similar to many others still existing in the area, without distinguishing features that would qualify it for registration under the terms of Criterion C. There is, finally, no apparent archaeological information to be obtained at the site, and so it does not meet the requirements of Criterion D for registration. The property is not considered eligible for the National Register.

Prepared by: William C. Riggs, R.A.  
Historic Architect

Date Prepared: 02.19.03

negative filed with WA-I-153





5463 II NW  
TAGERSTOWN

174-4  
TAGERSTOWN MI

WA-I-167

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42°30'

43°38'

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West

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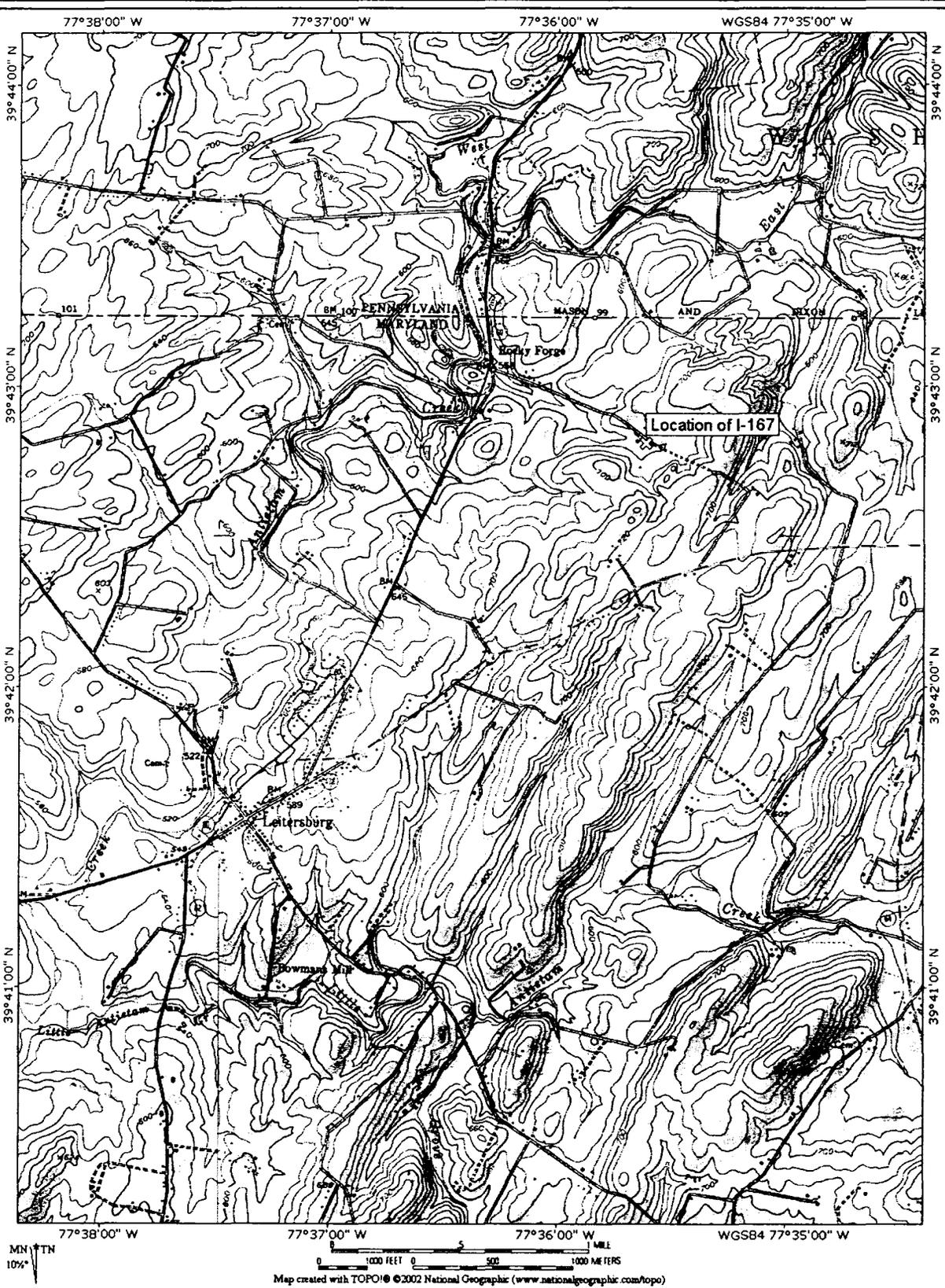
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**SITE VICINITY MAP**  
 Smithsburg, MD Quadrangle  
 SCALE: As Shown



**Property Condition Assessment**  
 WA-I-167\_ Brick House near Rock Forge  
 Hagerstown, MD 21742



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BRICK HOUSE, NEAR ROUTE 101

1/2 MI. S. OF HAGERSTOWN,

HAGERSTOWN, WASHINGTON CO.

17427

100 BY 100 METER - CAL 02.03

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BRICK HOUSE

HAGERSTOWN, MD 21742

02.03

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

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

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

<b>1. NAME</b>				
COMMON: Brick house near Rock Forge				
AND/OR HISTORIC: George Bell Farm				
<b>2. LOCATION</b>				
STREET AND NUMBER: Rocky Forge Road				
CITY OR TOWN: Leitersburg Vicinity				
STATE Maryland		COUNTY: Washington		
<b>3. CLASSIFICATION</b>				
CATEGORY (Check One)		OWNERSHIP		STATUS
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure		<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
		Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered		Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment		<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum		<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific
		<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)		<input type="checkbox"/> Comments
<b>4. OWNER OF PROPERTY</b>				
OWNER'S NAME: Francis L. Stockslager				
STREET AND NUMBER: Route # 5				
CITY OR TOWN: Hagerstown			STATE: Maryland	
			21740	
<b>5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION</b>				
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC: Washington County Court House				
STREET AND NUMBER: West Washington Street				
CITY OR TOWN: Hagerstown			STATE: Maryland	
			21740	
Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #): 217/685				
<b>6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS</b>				
TITLE OF SURVEY:				
DATE OF SURVEY: <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local				
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
CITY OR TOWN:			STATE:	

**7. DESCRIPTION**

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered < 50%	<input type="checkbox"/> Uncolored		<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site	

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This house is located along Rocky Forge Road, a semi-private lane, about one half mile east of the Leitersburg-Waynesboro Road, Route 60, just south of the Mason-Dixon Line in the Leitersburg vicinity of Washington County. It stands on level ground and faces north.

The structure is a two story, five bay brick dwelling with a two story, three bay brick and frame ell extending to the rear or south. The walls rest on low fieldstone foundations, and display Flemish bond brick work at the front elevation while common bonding is displayed at side and rear walls, and in the rear ell. Flat brick arches are present over all windows except those at the upper story of the ell.

Windows appear to be spaced evenly in the front elevation. All have narrow rounded frames which hold either six over six pane double hung sashes or two over two pane sashes.

The main entrance is located in the center bay of the front elevation. The entrance way is simple in appearance with framing similar to that of the windows. The door is topped with a diamond pane transom. A three bay shed roofed entrance porch which does not appear to be original shelters the front door. The frame section of the ell, comprising its east elevation appears to have been a double porch which was enclosed. A small shed roof porch is present at the west elevation of the ell.

The roof of the main section is covered with sheet metal and extends beyond the end walls. The roof of the rear section displays modern shingles. The eaves are finished with plain boxing and a band of simple molding. A brick chimney is located inside the east gable wall. A modern exterior flue of brick is attached to the west gable end.

The house is in good to excellent condition and stands on a tract containing 148 acres. South of the house are two small outbuildings, one of brick and one of stone. Set on an axis, they are connected by a span of roofing. West of the house is a large stone bank barn of roughly coursed local limestone. Its roof is topped with decorative metal ventilators.

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**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) C. 1850

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/Phi-  | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic                | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry    | osophy                                  | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture             | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention   | <input type="checkbox"/> Science        | _____                                    |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape   | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture      | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art                     | Architecture                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Human-  | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce                | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature  | itarian                                 | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications          | <input type="checkbox"/> Military    | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater        | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation            | <input type="checkbox"/> Music       | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____                                    |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The area of significance of this building complex is its architecture. Built shortly after 1845 the house is an excellent example of Washington County's mid nineteenth century brick construction. Displaying the five bay, center hall plan, the house is representative of a major architectural group in Washington County which appears to have had its origin in the Georgian form architecture of Pennsylvania. The stone barn and outbuildings are of a type which could date anywhere from the late eighteenth through the early nineteenth century.

The property was acquired in 1845 by George Bell from his brother, Daniel (Liber IN1, Folio 466). It was the eastern part of a tract resided upon by their father, Frederick Bell, and which was originally secured in 1767 by Captain Peter Bell, their grandfather.<sup>1</sup> According to Bell's History of Leitersburg District, George Bell built the present improvements.<sup>2</sup> The property remained in the Bell family until 1903 when Joseph M. Bell sold it to Luther Edgar Stockslager (Liber 117, Folio 643). The property has remained in the Stockslager family until the present.

<sup>1</sup> Herbert C. Bell, History of Leitersburg District, Leitersburg, Md: the author. (1908) p. 297.

<sup>2</sup> Ibid.

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Bell, Herbert C., History of Leitersburg District, Leitersburg, Md: the author. 1908.

Washington County Land Records.

**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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NE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 148 acres.

Acreage Justification:

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**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME AND TITLE:  
Paula Stoner Dickey, Consultant

ORGANIZATION: Washington County Historical Sites Survey      DATE: September 1975

STREET AND NUMBER:  
Court House Annex

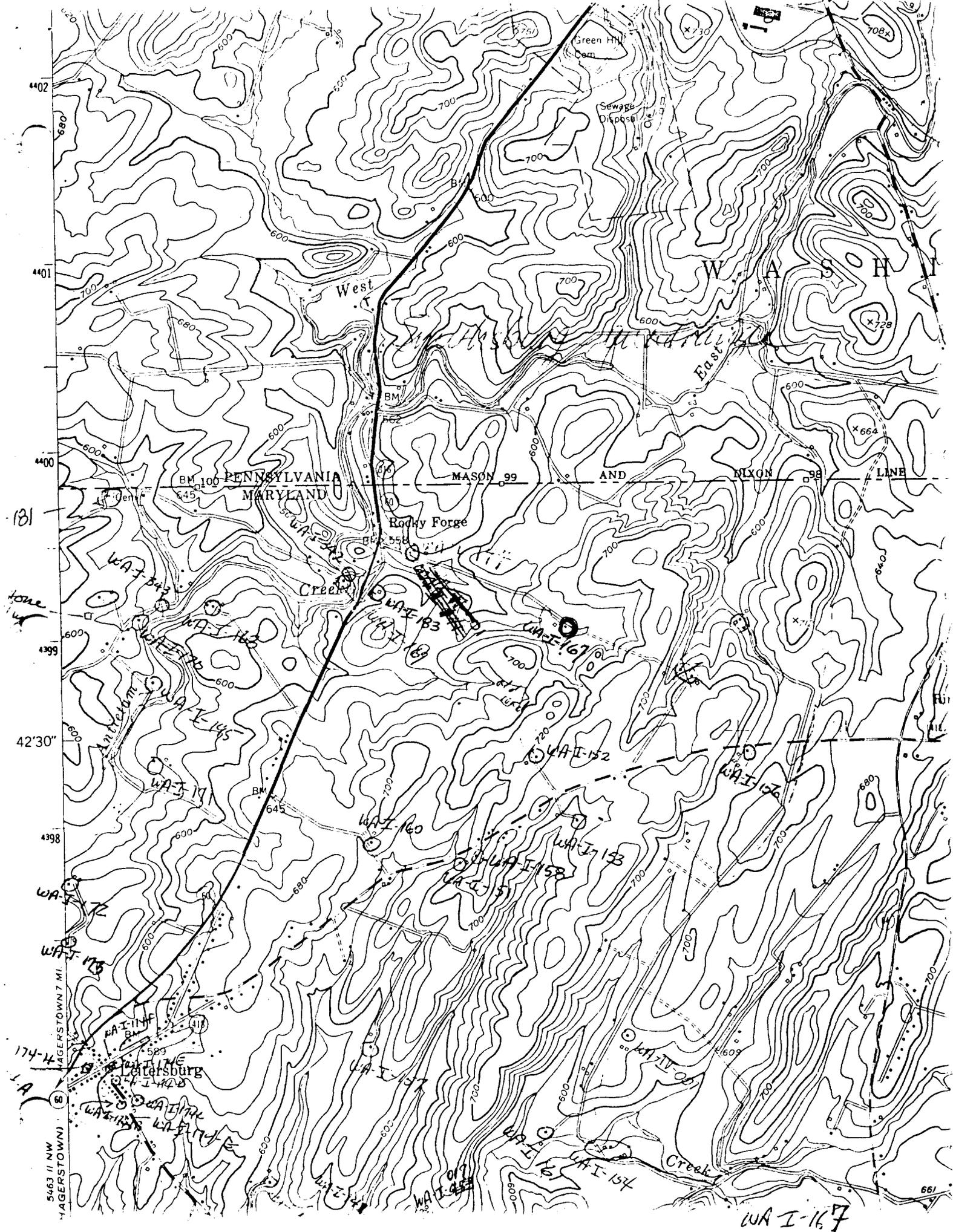
CITY OR TOWN: Hagerstown      STATE: Maryland

**12 State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)**

Significance of this property is:

National  State  Local

Signature \_\_\_\_\_



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4401  
700  
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42'30"  
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LAGERSTOWN

PENNSYLVANIA MARYLAND  
MASON AND BIXON LINE

West  
Rocky Forge

WASH  
East

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Home

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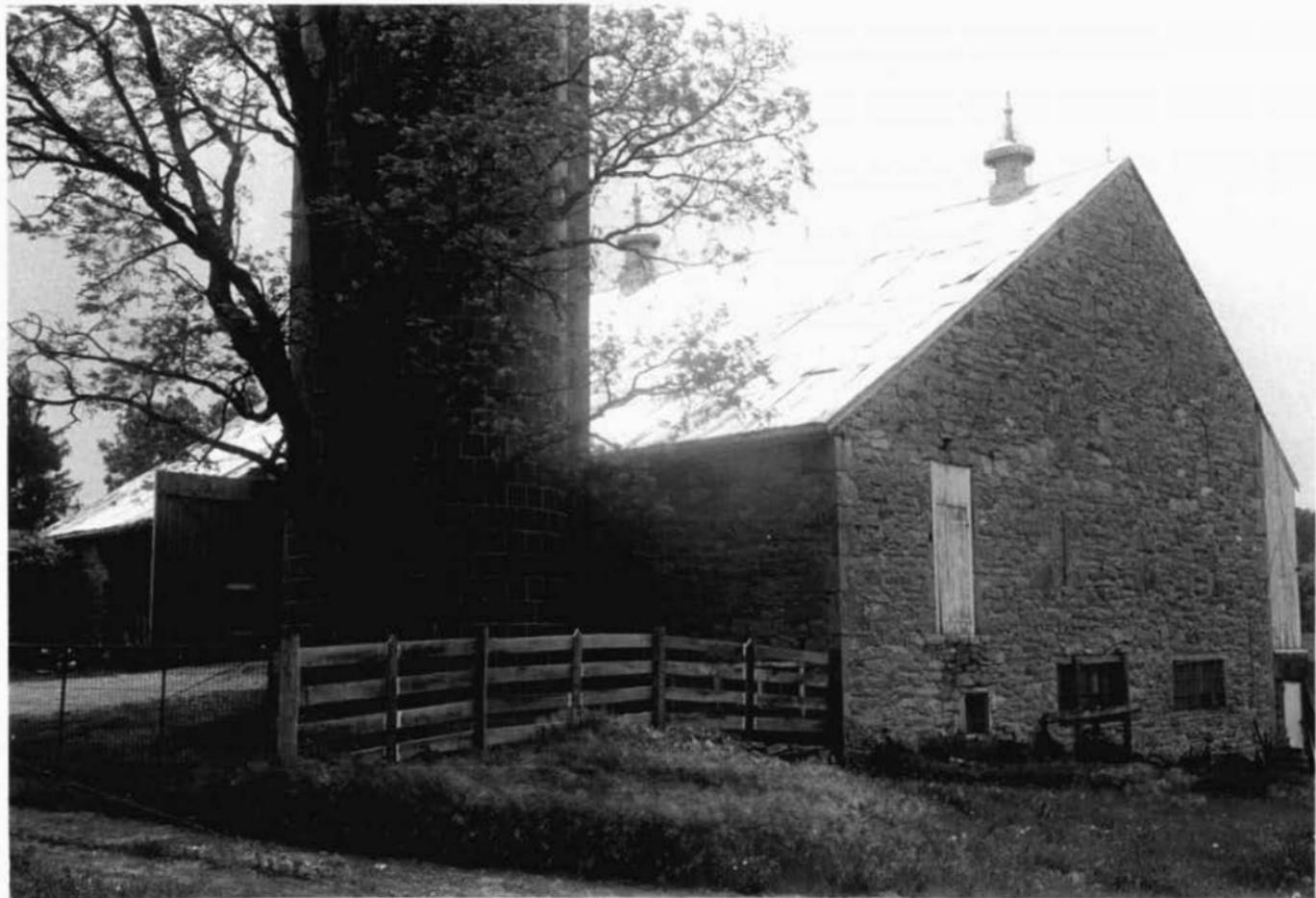


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