

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM**

NR Eligible: yes
no

Property Name: Virts Farm Inventory Number: WA-I-386

Address: 11631 Walnut Point Road City: Hagerstown Zip Code: 21740

County: Washington USGS Topographic Map: Mason Dixon Quadrangle

Owner: Brunner, Richard T and Barbara L. Is the property being evaluated a district? No

Tax Parcel Number: 18 Tax Map Number: 48, Grid 8 Tax Account ID Number: 02-014491

Project: Proposed Baer Cell Tower Agency: FCC

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes <input 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:

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

WA - I - 386, Virts Farm

The Victorian Farmstead consists of a 2-1/2-story 4-bay brick residence with a brick kitchen and frame bank barn. The Gothic Revival inspired residence has 2-over-2 wooden lintel windows with flat arches along with a small segmental window in the roof gable of the front façade. There is a 1-story veranda across the front façade with "turned" porch supports and scroll brackets. The building has been altered with a multi-light window on the south elevation and vinyl shutters. Architecturally the farm retains much integrity to provide valuable information about development in this area of Maryland. The residence reflects popular architectural trends of the latter half of the 19th Century, illustrating that farm residences were not always the result of utilitarian and functional requirements. The farm complex, composed of an unusual collection of extant buildings, is an important example of late-19th-Century farmstead. The property would be eligible for listing on the National Register.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST REVIEW	
Eligibility recommended <input type="checkbox"/>	Eligibility not recommended <input checked="" 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>Lacks distinction</u>	
<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>4/11/03</u>
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services	Date
<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>4/11/03</u>
Reviewer, NR Program	Date

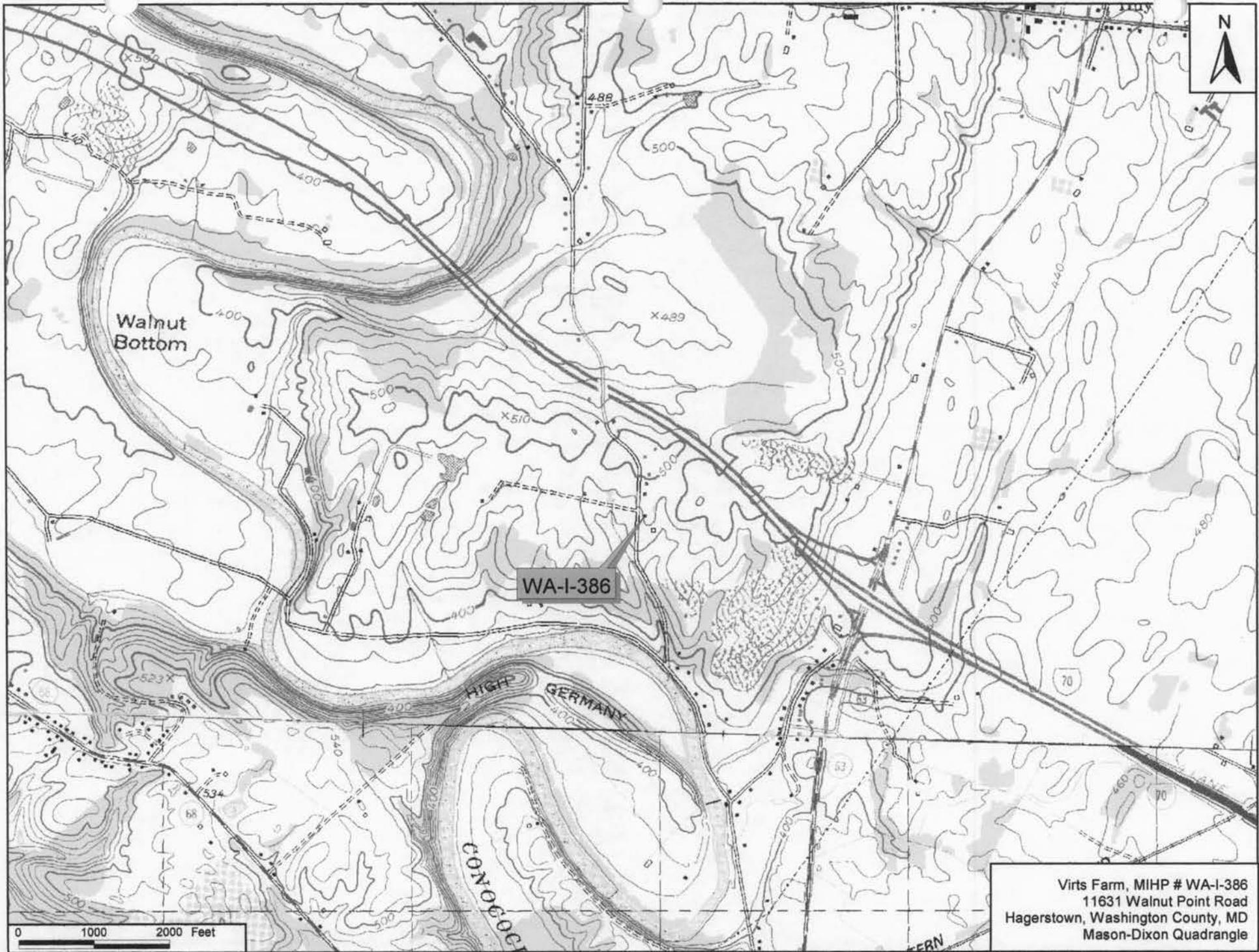
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NR-ELIBILITY REVIEW FORM

Continuation Sheet No. 1

WA-I-386

Prepared by: Kristie Lalire

Date Prepared: 3/10/2003



Virts Farm, MIHP # WA-I-386
11631 Walnut Point Road
Hagerstown, Washington County, MD
Mason-Dixon Quadrangle



Virts Farm

WA-1-386

11631 Walnut Point Rd.

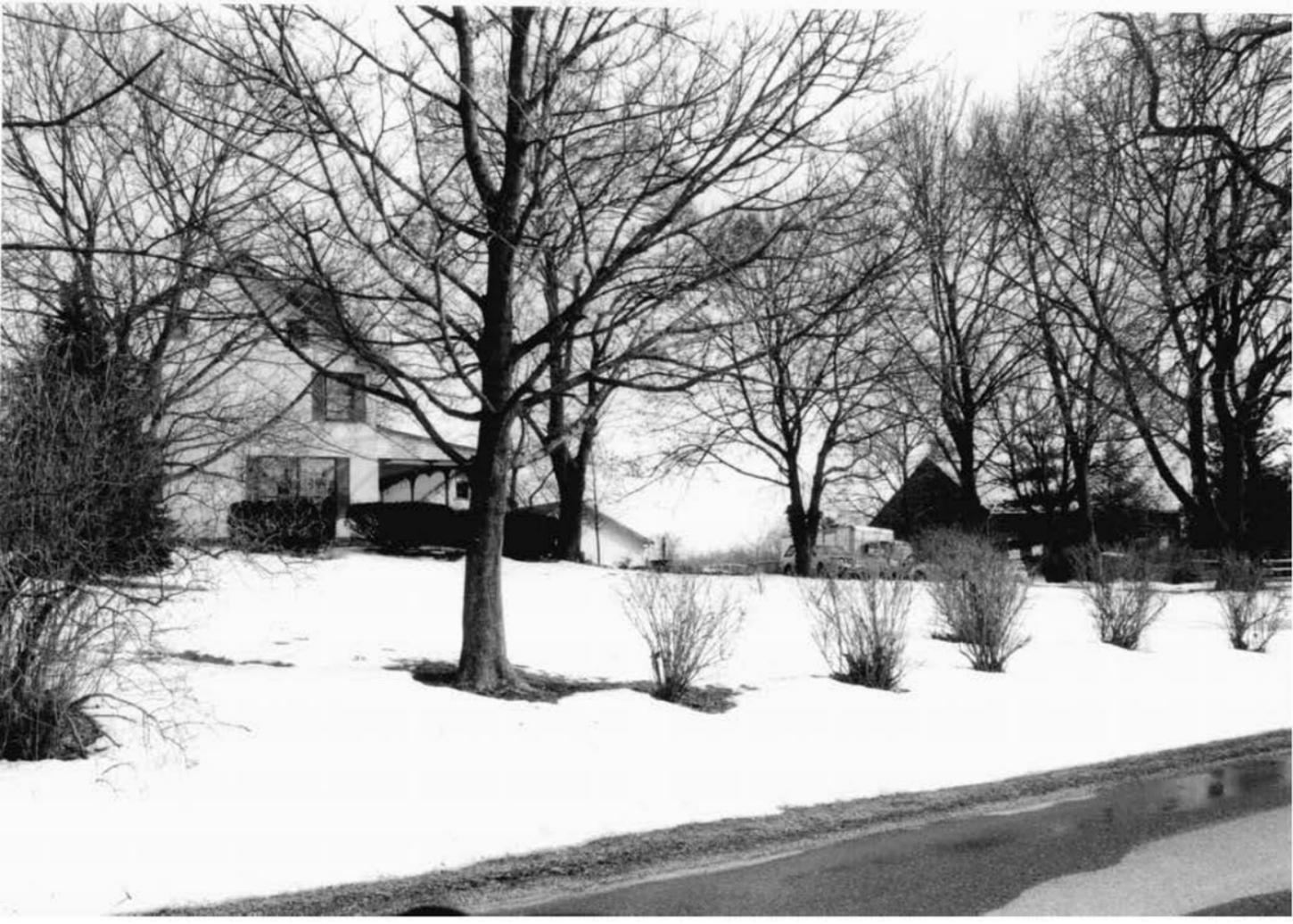
Hagerstown, MD

Washington Co.

photographed by Kristie Lalire, 3/2/2003

front elevation (east) and
north side elevation

① of 2



Virt's Farm

WA-1-326

11631 Walnut Point Rd.

Hagerstown, MD

Washington Co.

Photographed by Kristie Lalina, 3/8/2003

EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY
NOT FOR SALE

north side elevation

(2) of 2

ABSTRACT
WA-I-386
Virts Farm
Williamsport Vicinity
private

Late 19th Century

This group of buildings consisting of a two story, four bay brick house with a steeply pitched gable dormer projecting from its roof at the front elevation; an out-kitchen, also of brick; and a frame bank barn with Victorian trim is a representative late 19th century farmstead.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1471

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Virts Farm

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Walnut Point Road

CITY, TOWN

North of Williamsport

VICINITY OF Williamsport

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

6

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Washington

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

- DISTRICT
- BUILDING(S)
- STRUCTURE
- SITE
- OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

- PUBLIC
- PRIVATE
- BOTH
- PUBLIC ACQUISITION**
- IN PROCESS
- BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

- OCCUPIED
- UNOCCUPIED
- WORK IN PROGRESS
- ACCESSIBLE**
- YES: RESTRICTED
- YES: UNRESTRICTED
- NO

PRESENT USE

- AGRICULTURE
- COMMERCIAL
- EDUCATIONAL
- ENTERTAINMENT
- GOVERNMENT
- INDUSTRIAL
- MILITARY
- MUSEUM
- PARK
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- RELIGIOUS
- SCIENTIFIC
- TRANSPORTATION
- OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Elizabeth A. Virts & Luther Virts

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

Route # 2

CITY, TOWN

Hagerstown

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21740

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Washington County Court House

Liber #: 251

Folio #: 580

STREET & NUMBER

West Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Hagerstown

STATE

Maryland 21740

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

WA-I-386

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED < 50%	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This house and barn are located along Walnut Point Road east of the Conococheague Creek, north of Williamsport in Washington County, Maryland. The buildings are situated on rolling limestone ground with the house facing south and the barn east.

The house is a two story, four bay brick structure resting on low stone foundations. A one story, two bay frame board and batten addition is attached to the south end wall. The entire structure has been painted white and is composed of bricks laid in common bond at all elevations. Flat arches are present above openings in the two main stories. A window in a steeply pitched gable dormer centered in the south slope of the roof is topped with a segmental arch of brick.

Openings have narrow framing finished with a bead at the inside edge. Two over two pane double hung sashes are used. Although the house has four openings at the first story of the front elevation, only two windows set toward the ends of the walls are located at the second floor level.

The roof is sheathed with modern asphalt shingles and extends beyond the end walls. A small brick chimney is located inside the west end wall and a modern concrete block flue rises along the west elevation. A shed roofed porch which has been screened stands along the front elevation of both sections of the house.

Just southeast of the house is a brick outkitchen with segmentally arched window and door heads and an exterior chimney. South of the house is a frame bank barn with louvered ventilators trimmed with applied architraves in its walls and decorative metal ventilators on its roof ridge.

The buildings appear to be in fair to good condition and are located on a property containing 40.649 acres.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> 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 checked="" 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 40.649 acres

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

Paula Stoner Dickey, Consultant

ORGANIZATION

Washington County Historical Sites Survey

DATE

November 1977

STREET & NUMBER

County Office Building, 33 West Washington Street

TELEPHONE

791-3065

CITY OR TOWN

Hagerstown

STATE

Maryland 21740

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
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438



U.H.T. 388

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1915

U.H.T. farm

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HISTORICAL SITES SURVEY



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April 1962

Vinto farm

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104. 2. 285

Barn Hill

1935

1935

Visit Sam

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