

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

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

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

1. NAME				
COMMON: Ferry Hill Inn				
AND/OR HISTORIC:				
2. LOCATION				
STREET AND NUMBER: Maryland Route 34 at the Potomac River				
CITY OR TOWN: Sharpsburg				
STATE: Maryland		COUNTY: Washington		
3. CLASSIFICATION				
CATEGORY (Check One)		OWNERSHIP		ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both		STATUS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)		Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered		Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural	<input type="checkbox"/> Government	<input type="checkbox"/> Park	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/> Comments
<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> Industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Educational	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Religious	<u>inn/restaurant</u>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Scientific		
4. OWNER OF PROPERTY				
OWNER'S NAME: Fred W. Morrison NYC				
STREET AND NUMBER: Route 2				
CITY OR TOWN: Sharpsburg			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. #): 264/204				
6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS				
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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input 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	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Ferry Hill Inn is at present listed with the Maryland Historical Trust in Annapolis. A State Historical Marker explaining the significance of the inn is located along Maryland Route 34 near the structure. Additional records are on file with the Maryland Historical Trust.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Blank area for Major Bibliographical References.

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
NW	°	'	"	°	'	"	°	'	"
NE	°	'	"	°	'	"	°	'	"
SE	°	'	"	°	'	"	°	'	"
SW	°	'	"	°	'	"	°	'	"

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: **41.97 acres**

Acreeage Justification:

Blank area for Acreeage 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 Historic Sites Survey** DATE: **Sept., 1973**

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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#7 -- Description

The Ferry Hill Inn is located along the north side of Maryland Route 34 just east of the Potomac River in Washington County, Maryland. It is situated on a high bluff facing south.

The Inn is a two-story red brick structure. The main or front section is five bays in width at the facade. A seven-bay el extends to the rear or north of the building. The exterior woodwork is painted where. It was built in 1812.

The structure is set on low stone foundations. Walls at the facade are laid in flemish bond. Other brick work is common bond. A modern one-story frame extension is connected to the north gable end of the el. Flat brick arches are present over windows, while a broad elliptical arch spans the main entrance. Other decorative brick work includes a cornice band of headers protruding from the house wall.

Windows contain modern framing and six-over-six pane sashes. Many openings on the south and east walls are flanked with louvered shutters. Small half windows are present in the lower facade to light the cellar. On the roof are two gable topped dormers with arched openings.

The main entrance is located in the center bay of the facade. The entrance way is wide under a broad elliptical fan with ray mullions and matching side lights. The jambs are paneled. Attached plain doric columns flank the door.

The roof covering is sheet metal. The main section of the building is topped with a hipped roof while the rear section has a gable roof.

Inside end chimneys are present at both ends of the main section and at the north gable end of the el. A fourth chimney rises from the interior of the el. All have decorative brick work at their caps.

A modern two-story portico covers the three center bays of the facade. It is supported by four plain doric columns. A double porch extends along the east wall of the el.

The Ferry Hill Inn property contains 41.97 acres. Although it has been greatly altered, the building is in excellent condition. It is not at present in danger of destruction.

#8 -- Significance

The major significance of Ferry Hill Inn lies in its association with the early ferry across the Potomac River and as the boyhood home of Colonel Henry Kyd Douglas, a member of Stonewall Jackson's staff.

According to published sources, the Ferry Hill house was built in 1812. The property was at that time owned by Henry Thomas Van Swearingen. Thomas Van Swearingen began operating a ferry between Shepherdstown in what was then Virginia and Maryland in 1765.

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#8 -- Sigfificance (Continued)

In 1816 the property was transferred to John Blackford who operated the ferry and the Ferry Hill plantation until his death in 1839. John Blackford's son Henry sold the Ferry Hill property to Robert Douglas in 1848.

Henry Kyd Douglas, son of Robert Douglas spent his boyhood years at Ferry Hill. Because Douglas was a member of Stonewell Jackson's staff, in 1862 federal troops occupied the house and confined the Douglas family. In 1863, the house served as headquarters for confederate Major General Edward Johnson on his route to Pennsylvania.

The architectural significance of the Ferry Hill House has been diminished by extensive alteration.

A commemorative sign planted in front of the property explains its association with the Douglas family and Civil War events.

#9 -- Bibliographical References

Green, Fletcher M., ed., Ferry Hill Plantation Journal, Chapel Hill: U.N.C. Press, 1961.

Scharf, Thomas J., History of Western Maryland, Baltimore: Regional Publishing Co., 1968.

Williams, T.J.C., History of Washington County, Hagerstown, Md.: Mail Publishing Co., 1906.

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION AND PHOTOGRAPHS MAY BE ADDED ON SHEET OF SAME SIZE

1. STATE Maryland COUNTY Washington TOWN Turner's Gap VICINITY STREET NO. Ed 34 at Potomac River ORIGINAL OWNER Black Ford ORIGINAL USE PRESENT OWNER Fred W. Morrison PRESENT USE Restaurant & cocktail WALL CONSTRUCTION brick NO. OF STORIES 2 1/2	HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY INVENTORY WA-1-8 2. NAME Ferry Hill Place - Blackford's Plantation DATE OR PERIOD 1813 STYLE ARCHITECT BUILDER 3. FOR LIBRARY OF CONGRESS USE
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4. NOTABLE FEATURES, HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND DESCRIPTION OPEN TO PUBLIC

2 dormers on front
5 bays wide
 doorway
L" shaped
hip roof
in process of being destroyed by owners
large porch on front

4 interior chimneys
concrete block cocktail lounge on rear
rear wing has 2 story porch partially enclosed
small ~~unpainted~~ clapboard 1 1/2 story addition on extreme rear

present owner is doing a complete job in house

Douglas Place
see notes re: Hoffman Family with MHT file on I-7

restaurant & Tavern
19th C mansion
maligne *KBK*
summary
1967

Acad ref = 264.204
parcel 2
map # 79
plot 4
41.97A

5. PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE Endangered Interior Exterior

21. Ferry Hill or Blackford's Plantation, high on the banks of the Potomac opposite Shepherdstown, was the home of Henry Kyd Douglas, General under Stonewall Jackson. *Hershey*

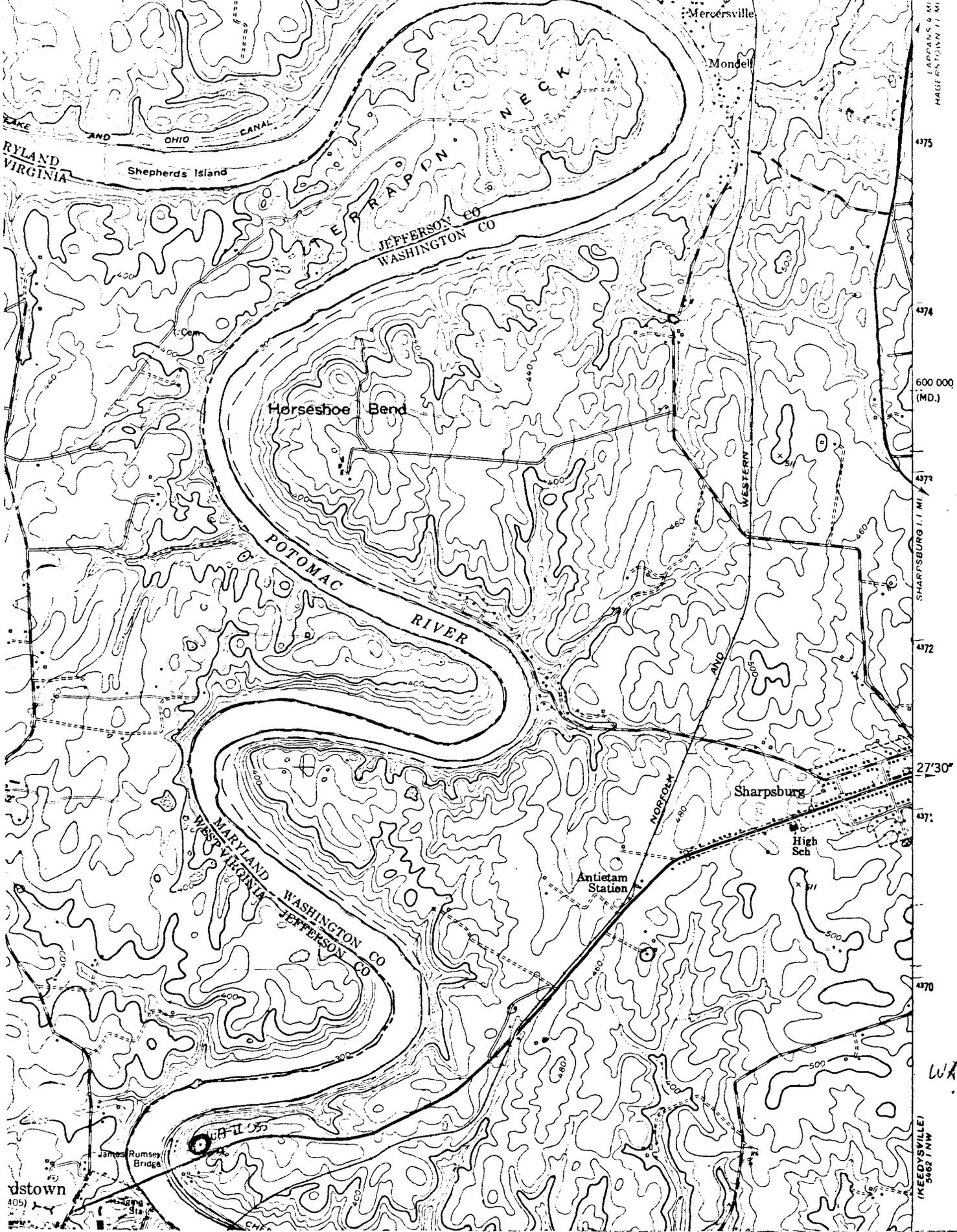
6. LOCATION MAP (Plan Optional) 7. PHOTOGRAPH *1 - b x w contact, neg*
color # 2012

8. PUBLISHED SOURCES (Author, Title, Pages) INTERVIEWS, RECORDS, PHOTOS, ETC.	9. NAME, ADDRESS AND TITLE OF RECORDER KBK 11/67 DATE OF RECORD
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(MD.)
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SHARPSBURG 1.1 MI
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KEDYSVILLE 3.7 MI
KEDYSVILLE (UNCL. ALT. U.S. 401 6.4 MI)
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(KEDYSVILLE)
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