

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM**

NR Eligible: yes ___
no ___

Property Name: Lesher Farm Inventory Number: WA-V-017

Address: 13073 Burnnie Kinsell Drive City: Clear Spring Zip Code: 21722

County: Washington USGS Topographic Map: Washington County - Clear Spring Quad

Owner: Gregory A. & Paula A. Ernst Is the property being evaluated a district? NO

Tax Parcel Number: 152 Tax Map Number: 34 Tax Account ID Number: 006992

Project: Martin Farm 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 Inventory Form for State Historic Sites Survey dated July 1978

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 January 15, 2003. The condition of the property appeared changed, with the addition of a wood framed and siding lean-to room and the removal of a prominent brick chimney, since the preparation of the State Historic Sites Survey Inventory Form in the library of the Maryland Historical Trust.

The property is described in the Maryland Historical Trust Inventory Form For State Historic Sites Survey, prepared by Paula Stoner, Architectural Historian, of Preservation Associates, in July, 1978. Following is a brief summary of that property description, as modified by site observations made January 15, 2003.

The property is a two part stone house consisting of a main section, two stories high and three bays wide. Adjacent to it is a two bay, one and a half story wing. Also present is a stone outbuilding and a frame board and batten kitchen with an exterior

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>lost integrity prior to 1978 survey</u>	
<u>[Signature]</u> Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services	<u>02/13</u> Date

McIntyre 5/24/03

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brick chimney. The interior of the house was gutted at the time of the initial report. It was observed that the house had been renovated, with the addition of a wood framed and siding lean-to room and the removal of a prominent brick chimney on the one and a half story wing. It was also observed that the outbuildings have been neglected and appear derelict.

The integrity of the property's design has been compromised by modern renovations. The property is therefore not eligible for registration under terms of Criterion C: Design/Construction, nor is the property known to be associated with an historic event, personage, or archaeological significance, making it ineligible for registration under Criteria A, B, or D, respectively.

Prepared by: William C. Riggs, RA
Historic Architect

Date Prepared: 01.28.03

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Account Identifier: District - 04 Account Number - 006992

Owner Information

Owner Name:	ERNST GREGORY A & PAULA A	Use:	AGRICULTURAL
		Principal Residence:	NO
Mailing Address:	11412 ASHTON RD CLEAR SPRING MD 21722-2008	Deed Reference:	1) / 963/ 321 2)

Location & Structure Information

Premises Address 13073 BURNNIE KINSELL DRIVE CLEAR SPRING 21722	Zoning HI	Legal Description 20.36 ACRES ON MD 68
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Map	Grid	Parcel	Sub District	Subdivision	Section	Block	Lot	Group	Plat No: Plat Ref:
34	22	152						82	

Special Tax Areas	Town Ad Valorem Tax Class
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Primary Structure Built	Enclosed Area	Property Land Area	County Use
1870	3,600 SF	20.36 AC	
Stories	Basement	Type	Exterior
2	NO	STANDARD UNIT	STONE

Value Information

	Base Value	Value As Of 01/01/2003	Phase-in Assessments		PREFERRED LAND VALUE INCLUDED IN LAND VALUE
			As Of 07/01/2002	As Of 07/01/2003	
Land:	48,730	48,230			
Improvements:	125,210	139,330			
Total:	173,940	187,560	173,940	178,480	
Preferential Land:	8,330	8,330	8,330	8,330	

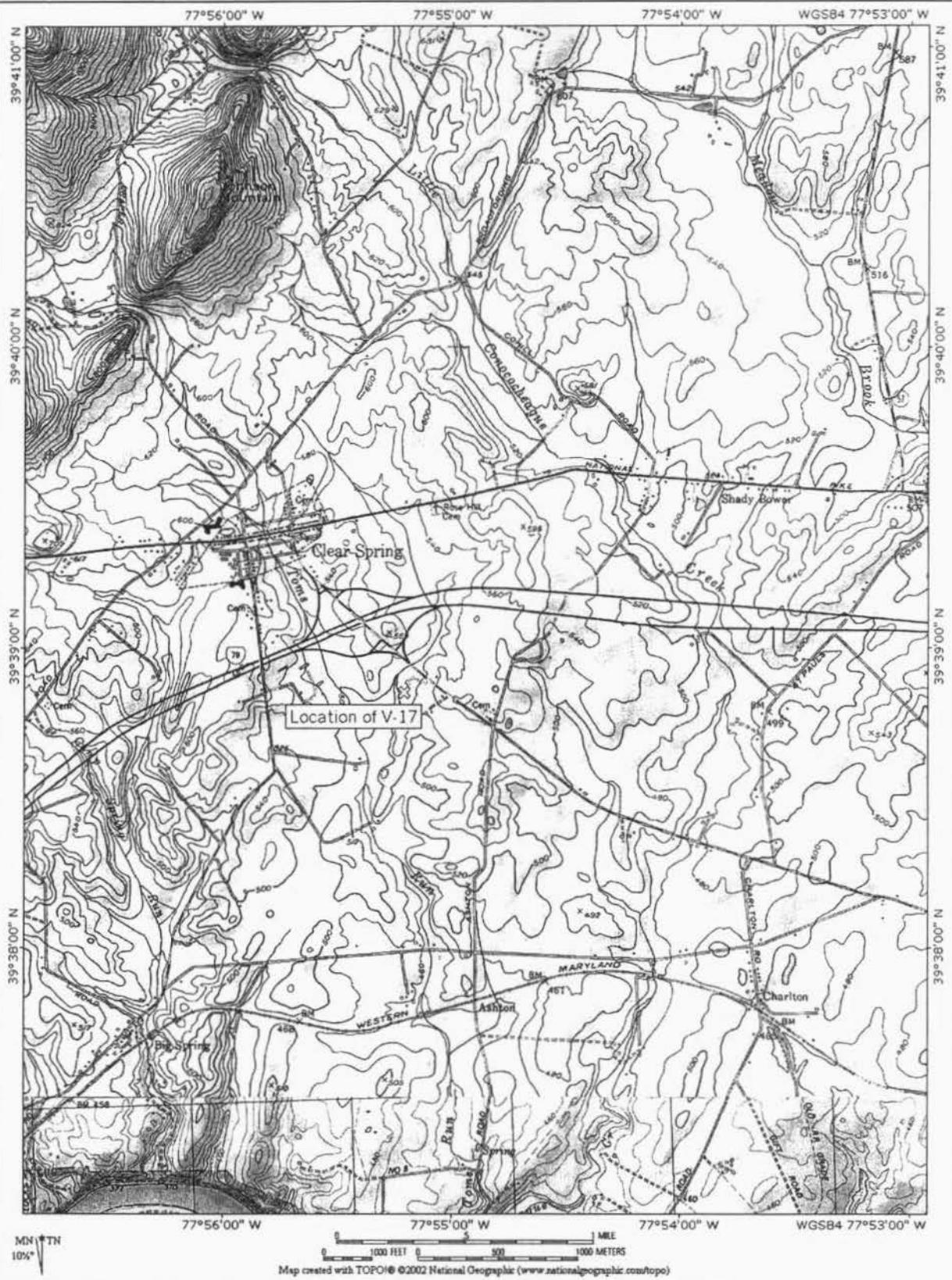
Transfer Information

Seller: ROBISON WILLIAM R	Date: 07/25/1990	Price: \$340,000
Type: IMPROVED ARMS-LENGTH	Deed1: / 963/ 321	Deed2:
Seller:	Date:	Price:
Type:	Deed1:	Deed2:
Seller:	Date:	Price:
Type:	Deed1:	Deed2:

Exemption Information

Partial Exempt Assessments	Class	07/01/2002	07/01/2003
County	000	0	0
State	000	0	0
Municipal	000	0	0

Tax Exempt: NO	Special Tax Recapture: AGRICULTURAL TRANSFER TAX
Exempt Class:	



SITE VICINITY MAP
 Clear Spring, MD Quadrangle
 SCALE: As Shown



Property Condition Assessment
 WA-V-017_ Leshar Farm
 Clear Spring, MD 21722



LESHER FARM WA-V-017

WASHINGTON CO., MD

PHOTO BY: C. MENDS-COLE

DATE: JAN 2003

NEGATIVE LOC: MD, SHPO //1

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LESHER FARM WA-V-017
CLEAR SPRING, MD 21722
01.03

Photo Gallery: 01/29/03

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WA-V-017
District 4
Map 34
Parcel 152
MAGI # 2211855335

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Lesher Farm

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

I-70 Interchange

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF Clear Spring

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

6

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Washington

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

OWNERSHIP

STATUS

PRESENT USE

DISTRICT

PUBLIC

OCCUPIED

AGRICULTURE

MUSEUM

BUILDING(S)

PRIVATE

UNOCCUPIED

COMMERCIAL

PARK

STRUCTURE

BOTH

WORK IN PROGRESS

EDUCATIONAL

PRIVATE RESIDENCE

SITE

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

ACCESSIBLE

ENTERTAINMENT

RELIGIOUS

OBJECT

IN PROCESS

YES: RESTRICTED

GOVERNMENT

SCIENTIFIC

BEING CONSIDERED

YES: UNRESTRICTED

INDUSTRIAL

TRANSPORTATION

NO

MILITARY

OTHER: Vacant

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Cities Service Oil Company

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

Attn: Ad Valorem Tax Division Box 300

CITY, TOWN

Tulsa

___ VICINITY OF

Okla

STATE, zip code 74102

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Washington County Court House

Liber #: 451

Folio #: 244

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

WA-V-017

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input checked="" 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 two part stone house consists of a main section two stories high and three bays wide which was probably built during the latter part of the first quarter of the 19th century. Adjacent to it is a two bay one and a half story wing which would appear to predate the main section and to have been enlarged. The interior of the house has been gutted leaving little remaining evidence for dating. The front wall of the main section is built of roughly coursed stone with finely hewn keystones above the openings. The main entrance apparently opened into a stair hall with two rooms to its side. The wing is divided into two rooms.

Apparently its second story was added after the main portion of the house was built. Also present is a stone outbuilding and a frame board and batten kitchen with an exterior brick chimney.

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
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This complex, now vacant is an example of Washington County's stone construction. The main part of the building probably dates from the first quarter of the 19th century, but the age of the older part of the wing which is earlier than the main section cannot be suggested from readily observable evidence. The house is said to have been in the Leshner family for a number of years.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 21.51 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, Architectural Historian

ORGANIZATION

Preservation Associates

DATE

July 1978

STREET & NUMBER

109 West Main Street, Box 202

TELEPHONE

301-432-5466

CITY OR TOWN

Sharpsburg

STATE

Maryland 21782

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



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Detail S.W.
Nov. 1974

Leshar Farm

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Clear Spring Vic.

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