

WI-574  
Sampson Burbage House  
Powellville  
Private

c. 1870

The two-story, three-bay, side hall/parlor frame dwelling on the west side of Powellville Road was erected around 1870 for Sampson Burbage, the owner of the adjacent store during the third quarter of the nineteenth century. Designed in a traditional vernacular form with a side entrance and adjacent parlor, the three-bay main block is served by an exterior, common bond brick chimney stack. A heavily molded four-panel door provides access to the side hall. Traditional six-over-six sash windows light the various rooms. The house is enlarged to the west by a two-story service wing.

These architectural features place construction of the Sampson Burbage house just after the Civil War and around the time when the shingle covered store was erected. The house and store complex is identified on the Lake, Griffing, and Stevenson Atlas, published in 1877. A few years after the map was issued, Sampson Burbage died, and his 1881 will left "...the house where I now reside with all the grounds and attachments" to his wife Margarett, and after her decease the property passed to their children, Cornelia, George W., and Eva B. Burbage. The house was sold out of the family by Cornelia Disharoon and her husband Charles R. Disharoon in 1900.

# Maryland Historical Trust Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

Inventory No. WI-574

## 1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic Sampson Burbage House

other

## 2. Location

street and number 5040 Powellville Road not for publication

city, town Powellville vicinity

county Wicomico

## 3. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name James H. and Patricia Grey

street and number 5040 Powellville Road telephone

city, town Powellville state Maryland zip code

## 4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Wicomico County Clerk of Court liber 1715 folio 72

city, town Salisbury tax map 51 tax parcel 189 tax ID number 6-002242

## 5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- Contributing Resource in National Register District
- Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
- Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
- Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
- Recorded by HABS/HAER
- Historic Structure Report or Research Report at MHT
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## 6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function	Resource Count
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	Contributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	1
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> defense	
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> domestic	
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> education	
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	1
		<input type="checkbox"/> government	
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care	
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry	
		<input type="checkbox"/> landscape	
		<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture	
		<input type="checkbox"/> religion	
		<input type="checkbox"/> social	
		<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	
		<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	
		<input type="checkbox"/> unknown	
		<input type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use	
		<input type="checkbox"/> other:	
			Noncontributing
			_____
			Total
			_____
			Number of Contributing Resource previously listed in the Inventory
			_____

## 7. Description

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### Condition

excellent       deteriorated  
 good             ruins  
 fair               altered

Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Sampson Burbage house stands at 5040 Powellville Road in the center of the village of Powellville, Wicomico County, Maryland. The two-story, three-bay, side hall/parlor house faces east with the gable roof oriented on a north/south axis. The house is located directly south of the Sampson Burbage store. (See WI-53)

Built around 1870, the two-story, three-bay side hall/parlor frame dwelling is supported on a raised brick foundation, and the exterior is clad with asbestos shingles. The medium pitched gable roof is covered with asphalt shingles. Attached to the back of the single-pile main block is a two-story, two-bay kitchen wing.

The east (main) façade is a three-bay elevation with a side entrance fitted with a heavily molded four-panel door, and the adjacent bays are filled with six-over-six sash windows. The first floor is sheltered by a single-story hip roofed porch supported on Tuscan columns. The second floor is lighted by a series of three six-over-six sash windows. Trimming the base of the gable roof is a boxed cornice.

The south gable end is defined by pairs of six-over-six sash windows on the first and second floor, and a single six-over-six sash window lights the attic. The edge of the roof is finished with a flush gable trimmed with a molded bargeboard.

The north gable end is dominated by an exterior common bond brick stack with a corbelled base and a single flue stack. Six-over-six sash windows light the first and second floors, and a set of two-over-two sash windows light the attic.

The west (rear) wall is largely covered by a two-story, two-bay service wing, which is extended on the south and west sides by an enclosed, shed roofed porch that is extended farther on the south side by a partially screened in porch.

The interior was not seen.

# 8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment/ recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 2000-	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> social history
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning		<input type="checkbox"/> maritime history	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation		<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

Specific dates

Architect/Builder

Construction dates

Evaluation for:

National Register

Maryland Register

not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance projects, complete evaluation on a DOE Form – see manual.)

The two-story, three-bay, side hall/parlor frame dwelling at 5040 Powellville Road was erected around 1870 for Sampson Burbage, the proprietor of the adjacent store during the third quarter of the nineteenth century. Designed in a traditional vernacular form with a side entrance and adjacent parlor, the three-bay main block is served by an exterior, common bond brick stack. Traditional six-over-six sash windows light the various rooms. The house is enlarged to the rear by a two-story service wing.

These characteristic architectural features place construction of the Sampson Burbage house just after the Civil War and around the same time when the shingle covered store was built. The house and store complex is identified on the Lake, Griffing, and Stevenson Atlas, published in 1877. A few years after the map was issued Sampson Burbage died, and his 1881 will left "...the house where I now reside with all the grounds and attachments" to his wife Maragarette, and after her decease the property passed to their children, Cornelia, George W., and Eva B. Burbage.<sup>1</sup> The house was sold out of the family by Cornelia Disharoon and her husband Charles R. Disharoon in 1900.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Wicomico County Will Book, ELW 1/27, written 10 December 1879, proved 13 June 1881.

<sup>2</sup> Wicomico County Land Record, JTT 28/298, 22 June 1900.

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JAH 4/505	Last Will and Testament of William J. Jones to 1/26/1953 Hargis E. Jones and Herman F. Jones
JWTS 344/315	Betty Hadder Davis to 12/22/1952 William J. Jones
JWTS 293/479	Henry P. Kelly et al. to 7/27/1947 Betty Hadder Davis (upon the death of John W. Kelly, intestate, descended unto Catherine E. Kelly, widow, Henry A. Kelly, John B. Kelly, William E. Kelly, E. Fred Kelly, Maude Kelly Bradford)
JTT 28/298	Cornelia Disharoon Charles R. Disharoon to 6/22/1900 John W. Kelly \$950 10 acres "End of Dispute"

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Sampson Burbage House  
5040 Powellville Road  
Powellville, Wicomico County, Maryland  
Chain of title

Map 51, Parcel 189

1715/72 Charles P. Kelly, Lois A. Mitchell, Sandra Mucho, Linda J. Kelly

to

10/29/1999 James H. and Patricia A. Grey

MSB 1174/328 Gladys C. Kelly, widow

to

3/4/1989 Charles P. Kelly, et al.

JWTS 539/1 Hargis E. Jones and Rada L. Jones

to

5/1/1962 Henry Preston Kelly and Gladys C. Kelly  
16,800 square feet or .38 acre

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Wicomico County  
Will Book  
ELW 1/27

Last Will and Testament of Sampson Burbage

to, wife

Written  
12/10/1879  
Proved  
6/13/1881

Margarette A. Burbage and then to children,  
Cornelia, George W., and Eva B. Burbage

I give and devise unto my beloved wife Margaret A. Burbage the house where I now reside with all the grounds and improvements that I now used with it, to her during her natural life, and then to her three children Cornelia Burbage, George W. Burbage, and Eva V. Burbage....

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## 9. Major Bibliographical References

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Wicomico County Land Records, various volumes, Wicomico County Courthouse.

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## 10. Geographical Data

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Acreage of surveyed property \_\_\_\_\_  
Acreage of historical setting 1 acre  
Quadrangle name Wango, Maryland

Quadrangle scale: 1:24,000

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### Verbal boundary description and justification

The metes and bounds of this property are coincidental with the current boundary of the lot.

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## 11. Form Prepared by

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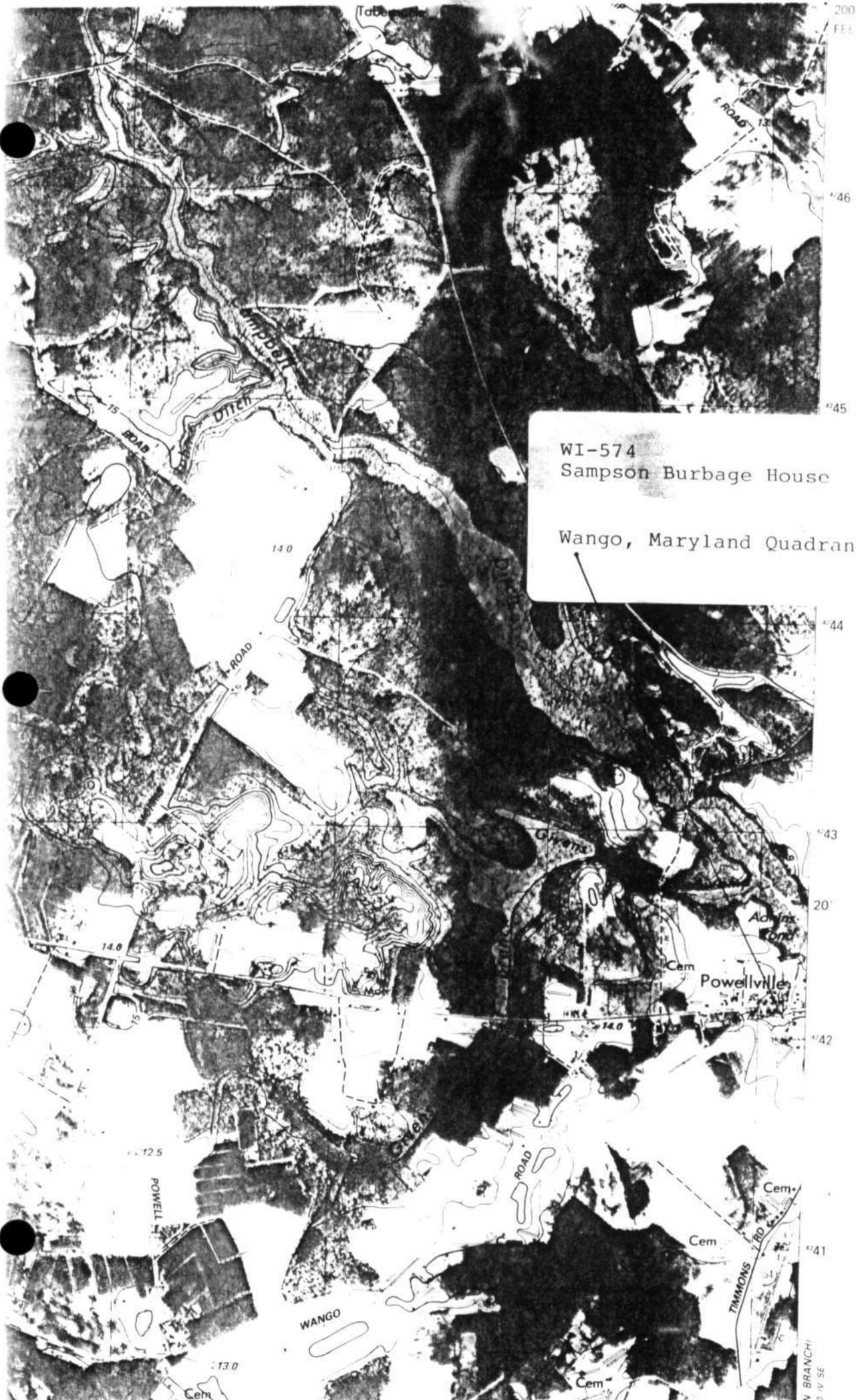
name/title	Paul B. Touart, Architectural Historian		
organization	Private Consultant	date	10/10/2001
street & number	P. O. Box 5	telephone	410-651-1094
city or town	Westover	state	Maryland 21871

The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties 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.

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Wango, Maryland Quadrangle, 1982

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5040 Powellville Road, Pittsville  
Wango quadrangle



Tax Map 51, P. 189

National Web Map Service 6" Orthophoto Map, c. 2010





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SAMPSON BURBAGE HOUSE

PONCEVILLE, WICOMICO CO., MD.

SOUTHWEST ELEVATION

10/01, PAUL TOWNSET, PHOTOGRAPHER

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