Archaeological Investigation at Slayton House, 18AP74, Annapolis, Maryland.

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This report describes the findings of a data recovery project conducted by Archaeology in Annapolis (AIA) at the Slayton House (18AP74) during the summers of 1995-1997. The work was carried out to satisfy Archaeology in Annapolis’ mission to promote better understanding of Annapolis’ diverse past through the interpretation of material culture. This project was geared specifically towards understanding the contributions of African-Americans to the city’s history. The AIA consortium’s work is largely publically funded both through state funds (the University of Maryland) and grants from the City of Annapolis.

Site 18AP74 proved to be an intact archeological site relating to Maryland’s colonial history and including evidence related to the African-American slave community of Annapolis. The assemblage from the site is a valuable research resource. Due to the extent of the 1990s excavations, no further investigations at the site are recommended. However, if severe or deep ground-disturbing activities are to take place on the property, they should be monitored by a qualified archeologist.