

**INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY/DISTRICT  
MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST  
INTERNAL NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM**

Property/District Name: Oakland Mills Store and Dwelling Survey Number: HO-154

Tax Parcel#: 179

Project: Maryland 216/29 Project Planning Study Agency: MDOT-SHA

Site visit by MHT Staff:  no  yes Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Eligibility recommended  Eligibility **not** recommended \_\_\_\_\_

Criteria:  A  B  C  D Considerations:  A  B  C  D  E  F  G  None

Justification for decision: (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map)

The Oakland Mills Store and Dwelling at 5509 Old Columbia Road was one of approximately ten resources historically associated with the early 19th century industrial community of Oakland Mills. Many of the resources were originally erected in the 1820s to provide housing and shops for the craftsmen and merchants associated with the grist mill, which was located west of Old Columbia Road in the path of Route 29. The town of Oakland Mills developed into a substantial settlement by the third quarter of the 19th century, continuing to flourish until the early part of the 20th century. Despite additions, the Oakland Mills Store and Dwelling maintains its Federal-style detailing and vernacular form.

The Oakland Mills Store and Dwelling is eligible due to the fact that it does meet National Register Criteria A and C. A mill-associated property, the Oakland Mills Store and Dwelling reflects the development of an early 19th century crossroads industrial community, Oakland Mills. Reflecting the transition to an economy supported by commerce and industry, the property reveals an association with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history (Criterion A). Despite additions, the building represents a good example of the Federal style (Criterion C). Preliminary research has not revealed any association between the dwelling and the lives of persons significant in our past (Criterion B), nor is there evidence that the property is likely to yield information important in history or prehistory (Criterion D). Thus, based on Criteria A and C, the property is National Register-eligible.

*MHT DOES NOT CONCUR - NOT ELIGIBLE*  
Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Maryland Historical Trust Inventory Form and Maryland 29/216 Project Planning Report

Prepared by: Tracerics, 5420 Western Ave., Chevy Chase, MD 20815 November 1997

*Carroll* 2/10/98  
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services Date

NR program concurrence:  yes  no  not applicable

*B. Kuntz* 3/31/99  
Reviewer, NR Program Date

**CAPSULE SUMMARY**  
Oakland Mills Store and Dwelling  
5509 Old Columbia Road  
(HO-154)

The Oakland Mills Store and Dwelling was one of approximately ten resources historically associated with the early 19th century crossroads industrial community of Oakland Mills. Many of the resources were originally erected in the 1820s to provide housing and shops for the craftsmen and merchants associated with the grist mill, which was located west of Old Columbia Road in the path of Route 29. Located approximately five miles south of Ellicott City, the town of Oakland Mills developed into a substantial settlement by the third quarter of the nineteenth century, continuing to flourish until the early part of the 20th century. Based on historic documentation, it has been determined that only two of the resources are extant: 5505 Old Columbia Road (HO-155) and 5509 Old Columbia Road. The property at 5509 Old Columbia Road is believed to have been the stone and wood Store & Dwelling on Lot 5, as described in an 1838 advertisement. Despite additions, the building maintains its Federal style detailing and vernacular form.

The masonry building is 2-1/2-stories with a side gable roof covered in wood shingles. Drawing from the Federal style, the masonry walls are laid in uncoursed stone with splayed jack-arched lintels and quoins rendered in rough-cut stone. The house is three bays wide and one room deep with a central-passage entry. Significantly enlarged, the building historically served as a dwelling and store, ultimately being renovated to function solely as a single-family dwelling by the second quarter of the 19th century.

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MD INVENTORY OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES

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1. Name of Property

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historic name Oakland Mills Store and Dwelling  
common/other name Kelly Stone House

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2. Location

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street & number 5509 Old Columbia Road not for publication \_\_\_\_\_  
city or town Columbia vicinity \_\_\_\_\_ state Maryland code MD  
county Howard County code 27 zip code 21045

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3. State/Federal Agency Certification N/A

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4. National Park Service Certification N/A

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5. Classification

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Ownership of Property (Check all that apply)

private  
 public-local  
 public-State  
 public-Federal

Category of Property (Check only one box)

building(s)  
 district  
 site  
 structure  
 object

Number of Resources within Property

Contributing	Noncontributing	
<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>	buildings
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	sites
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	structures
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	objects
<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>	Total

Is this property listed in the National Register?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Listing \_\_\_\_\_  
No

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6. Function or Use  
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Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: <u>DOMESTIC</u>	Sub: <u>Single Dwelling</u>
<u>INDUSTRY</u>	<u>Manufacturing Site</u>
<u>COMMERCE/TRADE</u>	<u>Specialty Store</u>

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: <u>DOMESTIC</u>	Sub: <u>Single Dwelling</u>
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7. Description  
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Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

Federal (vernacular)  
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Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

foundation Solid: Uncoursed Stone  
roof Side Gable: Wood Shingles  
walls Masonry: Uncoursed Stone  
other \_\_\_\_\_  
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Narrative Description (Describe the historic and current condition of the property.)

See Continuation Sheet No. 7-1

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8. Statement of Significance  
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Applicable National Register Criteria (Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations (Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

- A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B removed from its original location.
- C a birthplace or a grave.
- D a cemetery.
- E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F a commemorative property.
- G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

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Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions)

Architecture

Industry

Period of Significance ca. 1820-1947

Significant Dates ca. 1820

1838

Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

Cultural Affiliation Undefined

Architect/Builder Unknown

Narrative Statement of Significance (Explain the significance of the property.)

See Continuation Sheet No. 8-1

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9. Major Bibliographical References  
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(Cite the books, articles, legal records, and other sources used in preparing this form.)

*1798 Federal Direct Tax for Anne Arundel County, Maryland.* Located on microfilm at Maryland Hall of Records, Annapolis, Maryland.

Howard County Land Records, Recorder of Deeds, Howard County, Ellicott City, Maryland

Maryland Historical Trust Worksheet, "HO-154: Kelly's Stone House." Prepared by Cleora Barnes Thompson, Archivist, Comprehensive Planning Section, Ellicott City, Maryland.

Maryland Historical Trust Worksheet, "HO-155: Gales-Gaither House." Prepared by Cleora Barnes Thompson, Archivist, Comprehensive Planning Section, Ellicott City, Maryland.

Maryland Historical Trust Worksheet, "HO-430: Felicity." Prepared by Cleora Barnes Thompson, Archivist, Comprehensive Planning Section, Ellicott City, Maryland.

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10. Geographical Data  
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**Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property.)**

The property at 5509 Old Columbia Road is designated as Parcel 179, Grid 21 as indicated on Map 30.

**Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected.)**

The property at 5509 Old Columbia Road has historically been associated with Parcel 179 since the building's construction in the first quarter of the nineteenth century.

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11. Form Prepared By  
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organization Traceries date November 7, 1997  
street & number 5420 Western Avenue telephone 301/656-5283  
city or town Chevy Chase state MD zip code 23185  
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12. Property Owner  
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name Stephen K. and Myra G. Gnad  
street & number 5509 Old Columbia Road telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
city or town Columbia state MD zip code 21045

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The footprint of the original building has been altered by the addition of wood frame wings on both the northeast and southwest elevations. The northeast addition is 1-1/2-stories with a side gable roof. It is connected to the main block of the building by a 1-story wood frame hyphen. Attached to the southwest elevation of the stone building is a 2-story addition with a Colonial inspired jetty. Both wings, dating from the 1980s, sit on parged concrete foundations and are clad in wood weatherboard. The side gable roof, accentuated by overhanging boxed cornices, have wood shingles.

Presently, the building occupies a 1.17 acre lot fronting the southeast side of Old Columbia Road. The property slopes upward away from the road causing the house to be set into a slight hill. A wood fence trees and a hedge screen the house from Route 29 which runs to the west of the property. Several mature trees shade the house, while the rear of the property backs up on a densely wooded area.

**EXTERIOR DESCRIPTION:**

The facade, or northwest elevation, is three bays wide with a central-passage entry. Because of the slope of the site, the first story is set low, presenting a wide expanse between the first and second stories. It should be noted that, although the elevation is symmetrical, the openings are unequally spaced.

The wide main entry has a recessed opening, trimmed with recessed panelled jambs. Because of the massive thickness of the foundation walls, the western jamb is set at a 90 degree angle. The replacement door is single-leaf, constructed of wood with recessed panels. A thin stone lintel caps the opening. This central entry is flanked by standardized window openings ornamentally capped with splayed stone lintels. Surrounded by thin wood casings with an

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interior bead, the openings hold 6/6 sashes with thin muntins and inset wood sills.

The second story has three window openings, slightly wider than those found on the first story. Each has a 8/8 sash with thin muntins, splayed stone lintels, inset wood sills, and thin casing with interior beads. There is evidence of the stone being reworked below the central opening. The overhanging cornice marks the side gable roof, which is pierced by two proportionally out-of-scale dormers. The front gable dormers have nine-light fixed windows.

Visible from this elevation is the northwest wall of the southwest addition, divided into two bays. Colonial in style, the addition has two 1/1 metal sash windows on the first story and two 6/1 metal sash windows on the second. The jetty is marked by a wide entablature that acts as a stringcourse encircling the addition. The one-story northeast addition, also visible from this elevation, is pierced by two 1/1 windows with applied 6/6 muntins.

The southwest elevation of the original main block is only visible at its western corner, where a single 6/6 window with a splayed stone lintel pierces the first story. The original interior end chimney also protrudes from the elevation. Set slightly northwest of the ridgeline, the chimney cap has been rebuilt, exhibiting scars well below the junction of the wall and roof.

The southwest elevation of the southwest addition has a single one-light fixed window on the first story and two 1/1 metal sash windows on the second story. The second story windows flank a massive exterior end brick chimney, laid in stretcher bond, that is embellished by a corbeled brick cap.

At the rear of the building, the southeast elevation, the two wing addition extend beyond the plan of the wall of the main block. Set into the hillside, the southeast elevation of the original building displays only a single story that corresponds to the second story of the facade. The foundation is pierced by two openings, a ten-light awning window and a nine-light casement. The awning window has a narrow brick lintel and molded wood surrounds, while the nine-light casement is recessed further into the masonry with a wood sill. The main level has two 8/8 windows. Unlike the openings on the facade, the windows are largely unadorned with square-edged casing, wood sills, and inset wood lintels. Approached by a set of wood stairs, a single paneled wood door occupies the southwesternmost bay and provides access to the main

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level. The narrow door is adorned by a 3-light fixed transom and trimmed with molded wood surrounds and a narrow wood lintel. The southeast roof plane is broken by two gabled dormers containing louvered vents. There is evidence of repairs to the stone on this elevation to the right of the door.

The southwest wing addition dominates the elevation, being further enlarged by a one-story addition at the foundation level. The wood frame and screened addition, set partially below grade, has a shed roof of wood shingles. The second story of the wing addition has three window openings with 6/6 metal sash windows with square-edged casings. At the opposite side of the original main block, the southeast elevation of the northeast wing addition and hyphen is pierced by two 1/1 windows with applied 6/6 muntins and square-edged wood casings.

The northeast elevation of the main block of the original stone dwelling is obscured by the northeast wing, save a single 6/6 window with a splayed stone lintel at the gable end. The northeast wing addition displays an entry opening and two window openings on the first story of its gable end. The entry contains a single-leaf, panel-and-light wood door. The window openings are filled with 1/1 sash with applied 6/6 muntins and square-edged wood casings. An identical sash window opens onto the half story above.

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The property on which Oakland Mills was founded can be traced back to the original 702-acre land grant known as "Steven's Forest" patented by Charles Stevens in 1709. Based on the Federal Direct Tax of 1798, the property at 5509 Old Columbia Road comprised only a very small portion of the 1,500 acres that historically was known as Felicity Farm. The tax assessment show the division of the farm between Deborah Sterett (1109 acres) and William P. Matthews (400 acres), both of which reside in log dwellings.

At the turn of the 19th century, Charles Sterett Ridgely had gained possession of the 1109 acres from his mother Deborah Sterett. Ridgely had conveyed a portion of the property sometime prior to May 28, 1819 to his brother James Sterett. According to a 1821 deed reference, Sterett never received the conveyance from Ridgely, described as "a moiety of the lands or grounds...which were improved by the erection of certain mills called and known by the name of the Oakland Mills and other valuable buildings upon the same lands or grounds." Clarification of the ownership was made in September 1821.

Requiring funding to establish the mill, Sterett mortgaged all of his property in Baltimore and Anne Arundel counties in 1819. Sterett conveyed all of his lands, consisting of 414 acres, to the bank, which agreed to return just a third of the property known as "Elkridge Farm" in exchange. Sterett evidently did not make the agreed payments for the land, and therefore in 1823, the bank repossessed all of Sterett's property, including his rights to the five-story stone mill along a branch of the Little Patuxent River.

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One of the mortgages for the Oakland Mills property, held by the City Bank of Baltimore, describes those resources that had been erected by 1821. It included four lots part of "Felicity":

1. Mill Seat, 5.5 acres
2. Lot on east side of Columbia Turnpike "whereon a stone dwelling house intended for the accommodation of a cooper is erected," 20 square perches
3. Lot on east side of Columbia Turnpike "where is erected a cooper's shop...", 9 square perches
4. Lot on east side of Columbia Turnpike "on which are erected a smith's shop and a dwelling house for the accommodation of a blacksmith...", .25 acres

By July 1825, Charles Sterett Ridgely had obtained full right to the property from the other heirs of Deborah Sterett, thus allowing him to convey it to Robert Oliver. The sale included two parts of a tract called "Felicity...comprehending the lands improved and at present occupied by Charles Sterett Ridgely...", consisting of 568 acres. In December of that same year, the City Bank of Baltimore also conveyed their interest in the mill property to Robert Oliver for \$9,278.

The operating mill and its associated resources remained in the Oliver family until 1838, when portions of the property were subdivided and sold independently. The small industrial community of Oakland Mills was predominate established by this time as the first shops and dwellings had been collectively erected and maintained under the sole ownership of the Steretts and then the Olivers for almost twenty years. A September 21, 1838 advertisement for sale of "Oaklands" appeared in *The American* (p. 3, col. 7):

Estate of Thomas Oliver, Esq.

Describes mansion on west side of Columbia Turnpike plus the Mill (recently burnt) and a Miller's House, a large store and dwelling, an ice house, a Cooper's dwelling house and shop, a Blacksmith's dwelling house and shop, and a Wheelwright's shop.  
The property was divided into lots:

- Lot 3:** Mill Seat on 18 acres, 1 rood, 9 square perches
- Lot 4:** 2-story, stone Miller's House (dimensions 26 X 18 feet) on 2 roods, 21 square perches

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**Lot 5:** Part stone, part wood Store & Dwelling, Ice house, on 1 rood 13 square perches fronting the turnpike.

**Lot 6:** Frame Cooper's dwelling and frame cooper's shop (38 X 18 feet) on 4 acres, 1 rood, 7 square perches fronting on turnpike.

**Lot 7:** 2-story frame Blacksmith's dwelling (32 X 15.5 feet) and frame shop (24 X 20 feet) on 10.25 acres fronting the turnpike

**Lot 8:** Wheelwright's shop on 15 acres, 11 perches "attached thereto adjoining the home place on the East side, and fronting the turnpike."<sup>1</sup>

Based on this advertisement, it has been determined that the building at 5509 Old Columbia Road was located on Lot 5. The building displays physical features that would corroborate its association with industrial activities. Although it appears today as a formally arranged dilution of the Federal-style of architecture, the buildings location set into a hillside and rough stone detailing suggest it was not originally intended to be formal manor house, but instead as an accommodation and shop for the workers associated with an industrial enterprise.

The property at 5509 Old Columbia Road, containing an imposing stone and wood store/dwelling on twelve acres, was sold to George R. Gaither on November 26, 1838. Recognizing the economic benefits of the community, Gaither purchased several of the surrounding parcels and the mill itself as well. Gaither was listed in an 1850 manufacturers' directory as "a merchant and gristmill operator with \$500 capital investment and two employees." This fact leads one to believe the dwelling at 5509 Old Columbia Road was leased, not occupied by Gaither. Together with eleven adjacent tracts, the property was sold in 1864 to Philip Tabb. Tabb sold the tracts, comprising 1,404 acres, for \$85,000 in 1874 to his father-in-law, Francis Morris. Morris is credited with the invention of silage (green fodder preserved in a silo), when he placed whole corn in a trench and covered it with dirt in 1876. This invention led to the creation of the silo, the first of which was erected in Boston, Massachusetts in 1879. Morris in turn bequeathed the mill property back to his daughter, Kate V. Tabb. By 1896, the estate was held by solely by Katherine V. Tabb, the daughter of Philip and Kate Tabb. Despite the change of ownership, the mill continued to

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<sup>1</sup> *The American*, September 21, 1838, p. 3, col. 7.

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operate as a grist and flour mill, being converted in a saw mill  
sometime before 1878, when the community consisted of a post  
office, a public school and a population of 135.

Together with her husband Frank M. Lee, Tabb began to subdivide the  
mill property again and discontinuing the operation of the saw  
mill. The property at 5509 Old Columbia Road was conveyed to John  
V.L. Findlay, Jr. in 1906. The one acre of land and its vernacular  
stone dwelling with Federal influences were sold numerous times  
during the 20th century. Finally, in June 1997, it was purchased  
by present owners Stephen K. and Myra G. Gnadl.

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**HISTORIC CONTEXT:**

**Geographic Organization:** Piedmont

**Chronological/Development Period (s):**

Agricultural-Industrial Transition (1815-1870)  
Industrial/Urban Dominance (1870-1930)  
Modern Period (1930-present)

**Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme (s):**

Architecture, Landscape, and Community  
Planning  
Economic

**RESOURCE TYPE(S)**

**Category:** Building

**Historic Environment:** Rural

**Historic Function (s):** DOMESTIC/Single Dwelling  
COMMERCE/TRADE/Specialty Store

**Known Design Source:** Unknown

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**Chain of Title:**

1798: Federal Direct Tax  
Owners of portions of "Felicity" listed as:  
1. Deborah Sterett: Part of "Felicity Farm"  
adjoining William P. Matthews, 1107 acres  
With 1-story log dwelling house, 18 by 24 feet  
2. Deborah Sterett: Part of "Felicity Farm," 2  
acres  
With 1-story, 1/3 brick, 1/3 log, 1/3 stone  
dwelling, 18 by 66 feet  
3. William P. Matthews: Part of "Felicity  
Farm" adjoining Deborah Sterett, 400 acres  
With 1 log dwelling house

Prior to  
May 28, 1819: Charles Sterett Ridgely (son and heir of  
Deborah Sterett) to James Sterett (Charles'  
brother)  
"a moiety of the lands or grounds...which were  
improved by the erection of certain mills  
called and known by the name of the Oakland  
Mills and other valuable buildings upon the  
same lands or grounds at the joint and equal  
expense of the said Charles Sterett Ridgely  
and James Sterett, but for which said moiety  
of land...the said James Sterett never  
received a conveyance from the said Charles  
Sterett Ridgely...."

Confirmed  
September 15, 1821 Charles Sterett Ridgely to James Sterett  
Land Records of Anne Arundel County  
Liber WSG 8 Folio 398

February 29, 1820: James Sterett to Directors and Company of City  
Bank of Baltimore  
Land Records of Anne Arundel County  
Liber WSG 7 Folio 193

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September 15, 1821: Charles Sterett Ridgely to President,  
Directors and Company of City Bank of  
Baltimore

Includes four lots part of "Felicity":

1. Mill Seat, 5.5 acres

2. Lot on east side of Columbia Turnpike  
"whereon a stone dwelling house intended for  
the accommodation of a cooper is erected," 20  
square perches

3. Lot on east side of Columbia Turnpike  
"where is erected a cooper's shop...", 9  
square perches

4. Lot on east side of Columbia Turnpike "on  
which are erected a smith's shop and a  
dwelling house for the accommodation of a  
blacksmith...", .25 acres

Land Records of Anne Arundel County  
Liber WSG 8 Folio 398

February 27, 1822: Charles Sterett Ridgely to President, Director  
and Company of City Bank of Baltimore  
Land Records of Anne Arundel County  
Liber WSG 8 Folio 404

September 23, 1823: Chancery Record  
Records dispute between City Bank of Baltimore  
and James Sterett  
Records of the Maryland Chancery Court  
Chancery Record  
Liber 122 Folio 511

July 5, 1825: Charles Sterett Ridgely to Robert Oliver  
Two parts of a tract called "Felicity"  
"comprehending the lands improved and at  
present occupied by Charles Sterett  
Ridgely..."  
1. 567 acres  
2. 1 acres  
Land Records of Anne Arundel County  
Liber WSG 11 Folio 295

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- December 21, 1825: President, Directors, and Company of the City Bank of Baltimore to Robert Oliver  
\$9,278  
Four lots part of "Felicity":  
1. Lot where Oakland Mills stands, 2.5 acres  
2. Lot on the east side of Columbia Turnpike "whereon a stone dwelling house intended for the accommodation of a cooper is erected...", 20 square perches  
3. Lot with a cooper's shop  
4. Lot with a smith's shop (same as that deeded from James Sterett Feb. 29, 1820, Liber WSG 7, Folio 193)  
Land Records of Anne Arundel County  
Liber WSG 11 Folio 483
- November 26, 1838: Thomas Oliver (son of Robert Oliver) to George R. Gaither  
12 acres plus  
Land Records of Anne Arundel County  
Liber WSG 23 Folio 319
- October 27, 1864: George R. Gaither to Philip Tabb  
11 tracts=281 acres  
Includes mill seat at Oakland=12 acres, 2 roods, 6 square perches  
Land Records of Howard County  
Liber WWW 23 Folio 418
- April 29, 1874: Philip and Katherine V. Tabb (elder) to Francis Morris (father of Katherine V. Tabb)  
Parcels 1-11  
Approximately 1404 acres  
Parcel 1=12 acres, 2 roods, 6 square perches:  
"a Mill Seat...part of several tracts of land called "Felicity," "Talbot's Resolution Manor," "Dorsey's Search," "Dorsey's Search Resurveyed."  
\$85,000  
Land Records of Howard County  
Liber LJW 33 Folio 516

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- November 29, 1889: Philip Tabb (father of grantees) to Katherine V. Tabb (younger) and Evelina M. Bailliere Including "lands and buildings situated near Ellicott City known as Oaklands... all that former estate and residence of Francis Morris...property devised in will of Francis Morris to his daughter Kate V. Tabb (Katherine V. Tabb (the younger's) mother, and Philip Tabb's former wife)."  
Land Records of Howard County  
Liber JHO 55 Folio 258
- May 22, 1896: Evelina M. and Frederick H. Bailliere to Katherine V. Tabb (younger)  
Part of Oakland Estate  
3 parcels: Parcel 2=1 acre, 20 square perches  
Land Records of Howard County  
Liber ACR 65 Folio 451
- July 3, 1906: Katherine V. Lee (formerly Katherine V. Tabb) and Frank M. Lee (husband) to John V.L. Findlay, Jr.  
Part of Oakland Estate  
1 acre, 20 square perches  
Land Records of Howard County  
Liber WWLC 82 Folio 283
- October 27, 1913: John V.L. Findlay, Jr. to Richard B. Owings, of John  
Land Records of Howard County  
Liber WWLC 95 Folio 593
- November 1, 1915: Richard B. Owings, of John to Joshua Hammond  
1 acre, 20 square perches  
Land Records of Howard County  
Liber WWLC 100 Folio 127

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Oakland Mills Store & Dwelling  
name of property  
Howard County, Maryland  
county and state

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August 10, 1950: Charles E. Hogg, Trustee to William W. Dulany  
1 acre, 20 square perches  
Court case: Joshua Hammond versus Samuel  
Hammond, et al.  
Charles Hogg assigned to sell property at  
public sale held July 1, 1950  
Sold to William W. Dulany for \$2125  
Land Records of Howard County  
Liber MWB 219 Folio 72

July 15, 1952: William W. Dulany to Medford J. and Bonnie S.  
Benjamin  
Land Records of Howard County  
Liber MWB 233 Folio 557

July 15, 1952: Medford J. and Bonnie S. Benjamin to William  
W. Dulany  
Mortgage  
Land Records of Howard County  
Liber MWB 233 Folio 559

April 15, 1953: Medford J. and Bonnie S. Benjamin to William  
W. Dulany  
1 acre, 20 square perches  
Land Records of Howard County  
Liber MWB 242 Folio 464

November 27, 1953: William W. and Helen B. Dulany to Hazel M.  
Spicer  
1 acre, 20 square perches  
Land Records of Howard County  
Liber MWB 254 Folio 119

October 28, 1958: Hazel M. Spicer Treadwell and John Treadwell  
(husband) to Frederick G. and Mary Ruth G.  
Buchness  
1 acre, 20 square perches on U.S. Route 29 at  
Oakland Mills  
Land Records of Howard County  
Liber 322 Folio 463

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES  
CONTINUATION SHEET

Inventory No. HO-154

Oakland Mills Store & Dwelling  
name of property  
Howard County, Maryland  
county and state

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June 17, 1963: Frederick G. and Ruth G. Buchness to Clifford  
F. and Alice B. Shaw  
1 acre, 20 square perches on U.S. Route 29 at  
Oakland Mills  
Land Records of Howard County  
Liber WHH 402 Folio 68

May 15, 1968: Clifford F. and Alice B. Shaw to Barbara  
Benedict Rose and Martha S. Benedict  
1.178 acres  
Land Records of Howard County  
Liber CMP 487 Folio 536

December 8, 1969: Martha S. Benedict to Barbara B. Kelly  
(formerly Barbara B. Handy, also known as  
Barbara Benedict Rose)  
1.178 acres  
Land Records of Howard County  
Liber CMP 523 Folio 546

November 11, 1976: Barbara B. Kelly to Robert B. Kelly  
Conveys an undivided 1/2 interest in 1.178  
acres  
Land Records of Howard County  
Liber CMP 798 Folio 366

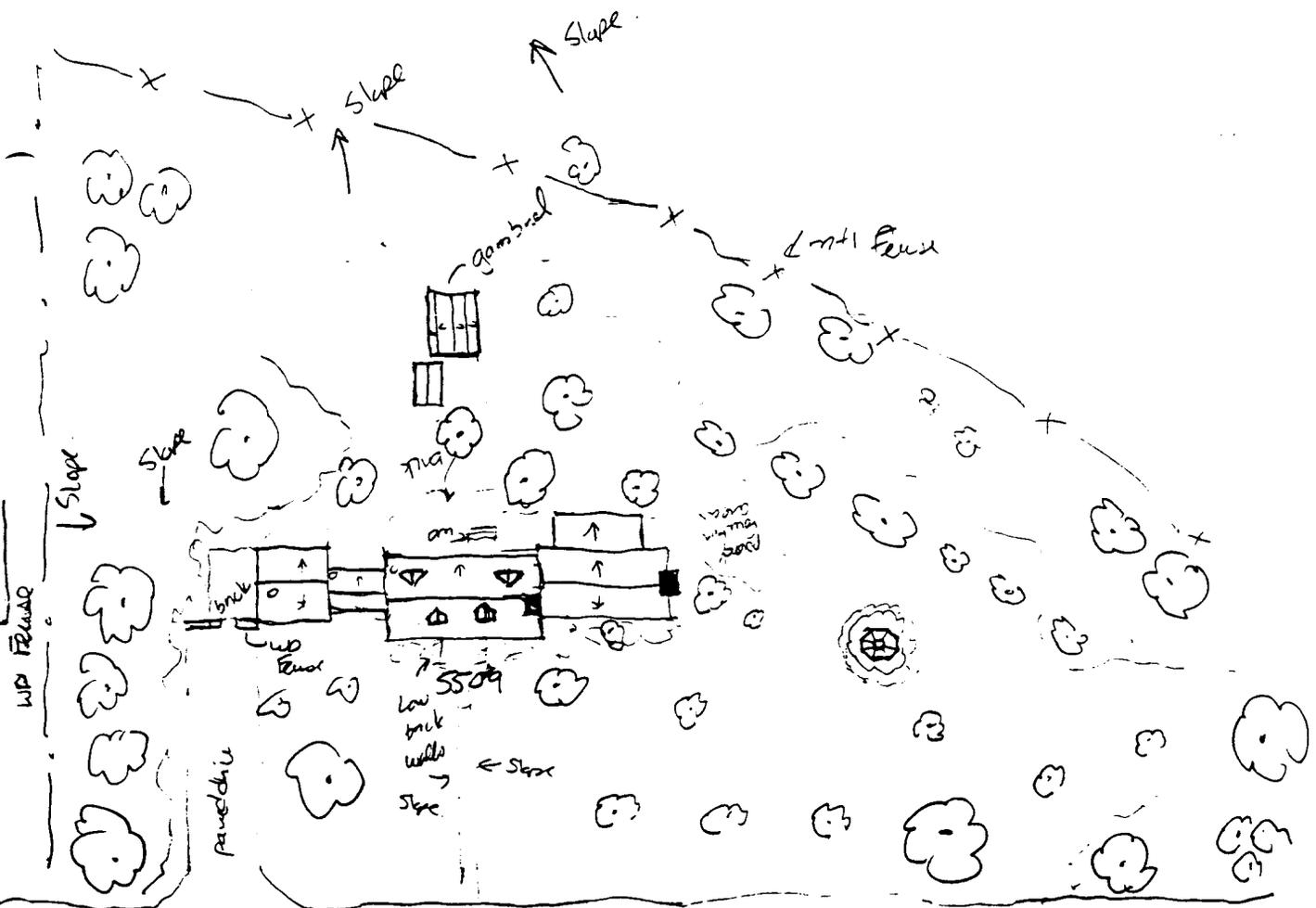
November 18, 1977: Barbara B. and Robert B. Kelly (as tenants in  
common) to Robert B. and Barbara B. Kelly (as  
tenants by entireties)  
1.178 acres  
Land Records of Howard County  
Liber 856 Folio 354

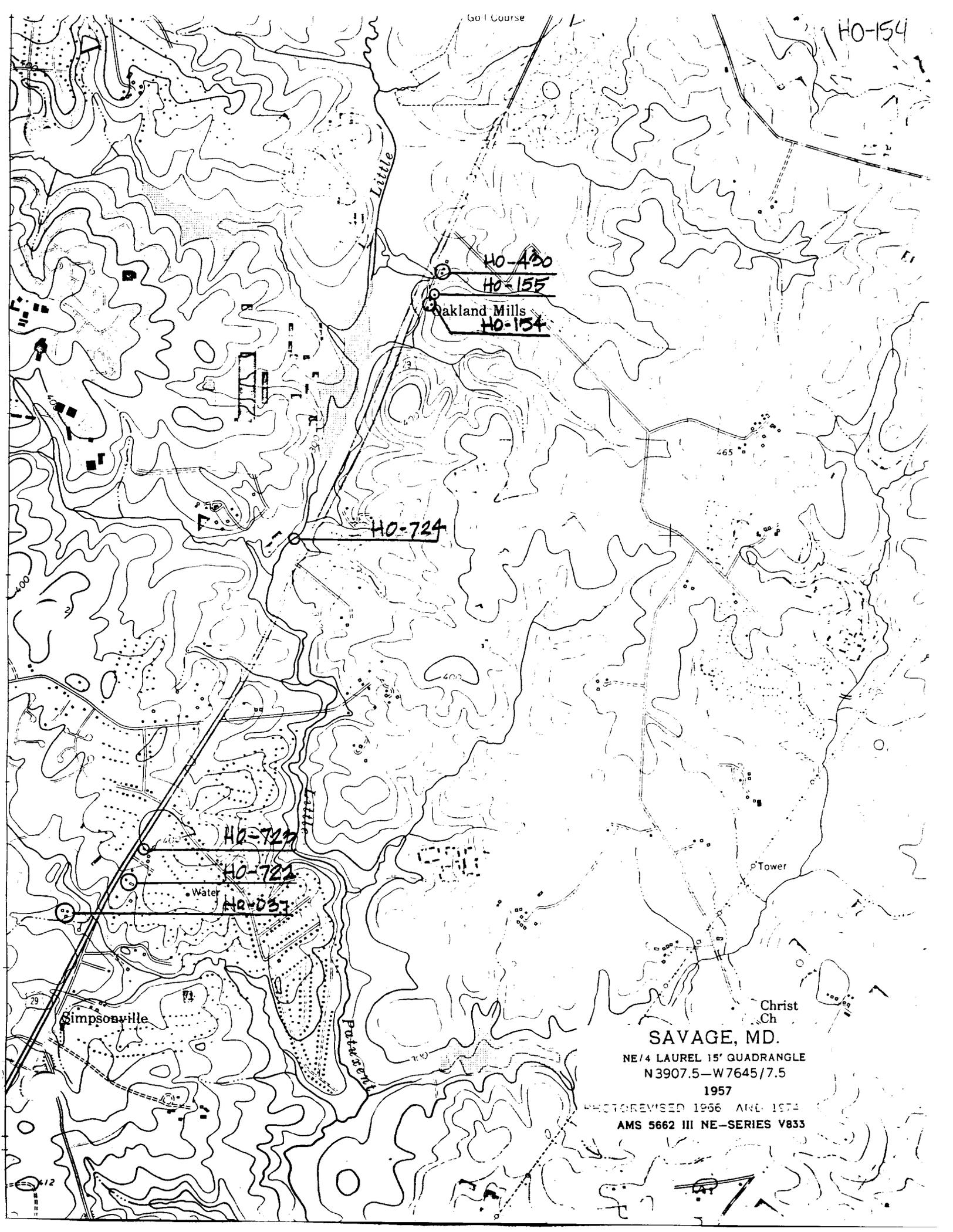
June 27, 1997: Barbara B. Kelly Revocable Trust, James L.  
Mayer and R. Frank Collins, Trustees to  
Stephen K. and Myra G. Gnad  
\$230,000  
1.178 acres  
Land Records of Howard County  
Liber 4007 Folio 333

# RESOURCE SKETCH MAP

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Oakland Mills Store & Dwelling  
5509 Old Columbia Rd.  
Columbia, Howard County, MD





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Golf Course

Little

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Wakland Mills  
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HO-722

Water  
HO-037

Simpsonville

Putneyville

Tower

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SAVAGE, MD.

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5509 OLD COLUMBIA RD  
Howard County, MD.

Traceries

October 1997

MDSHPO

House - NW Elevation

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5509 OLD COLUMBIA RD  
Howard County, MD

Traceries  
October 1997  
MDSHPO

House - NW Elevation, Original Section  
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HO-154  
5509 Old Columbia Rd  
Howard County, MD  
Traceries  
October 1997

MDSHPO  
House - SW Addition - NW Elevation

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5509 OLD COLUMBIA RD.  
Howard County, MD

Traceries  
October 1997

MDSHPO  
House - SW Addition - West Corner

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5509 Old Columbia Rd  
Howard County, MD  
Traceries  
October 1997  
MDSHPO  
House - SE Elevation  
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5509 Old Columbia Rd  
Howard County, MD  
Traceries

October 1997

MDSHPO

House - SE Elevation - Original section

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5509 OLD COLUMBIA RD  
Howard County, MD  
Traceries  
October 1997  
MD SHPO  
House - North Corner  
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5509 OLD COLUMBIA RD.  
Howard County, MD

Traceries  
October 1997  
MDSHPO

House - NE Elevation - Original Section  
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HO-154  
5509 Old Columbia Rd  
Howard County, MD  
Traceries  
October 1997  
MDSHPO  
Sheds - Looking East

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HO-154  
5509 Old Columbia Rd  
Howard County, MD  
Traceries  
October 1997  
MDSHPO  
Gazebo - Looking West  
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HO-154  
Kelly's Stone House  
Private  
Ellicott City

Eighteenth Century

Known as the Cooper's House of Oakland Grist Mill, Kelly's stone house is three bays wide, one room deep with central ground floor rectangular west entrance and second floor west entrance on the south bay. Two gabled roof dormers are placed in the roof of the west elevation.

Frame additions have been made north and south of the house which in no way detract from the integrity of the original structure which with its neighbor, the Gales-Gaither house, are the sole remains of the Oakland Grist Mill complex which once dominated this area.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

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

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<b>1. NAME</b>				
COMMON: Kelly's Stone House				
AND/OR HISTORIC: Cooper's House - Oakland Mills also Felicity				
<b>2. LOCATION</b>				
STREET AND NUMBER: 5509 Old Columbia Road				
CITY OR TOWN: Ellicott City				
STATE Maryland			COUNTY: Howard	
<b>3. CLASSIFICATION</b>				
CATEGORY (Check One)		OWNERSHIP		STATUS
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object		<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
		Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered		ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)				
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Educational	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Religious	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	_____	_____
<b>4. OWNER OF PROPERTY</b>				
OWNER'S NAME: Mrs. Barbara Kelly <i>Captain and Mrs. Robert B. Kelly</i>				
STREET AND NUMBER: 5509 Old Columbia Road				
CITY OR TOWN: Ellicott City			STATE: Maryland	21043
<b>5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION</b>				
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC: Hall of Records				
STREET AND NUMBER: Howard County Courthouse				
CITY OR TOWN: Ellicott City			STATE: Maryland	21043
Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #): Tax Map 30, p. 179				
<b>6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS</b>				
TITLE OF SURVEY: Howard County Historic Sites Inventory				
DATE OF SURVEY: 1977 <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local				
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: Maryland Historical Trust				
STREET AND NUMBER: 21 State Circle				
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 type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Uncolored		<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site	

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Kelly Stone House is a three bay wide, two and a half story, one room deep stone house with central first floor west door and second floor south bay east door. The building features stone quoining, rectangular, double-hung windows with six-over-six lites decorated with flat arched stone lintels, flat wooden sills and black shutters and a wide stone chimney inset into its south wall. Two gabled roof dormer windows with rectangular nine lite casements are placed in the roof of the west elevation. A basket weave brick walk leads to the central west door.

A rectangular double-hung first floor window lies in the west bay of the south wall. On the east wall of the house there is a single first or ground floor 10 lite horizontal rectangular window in the north bay and six wooden steps and railing leading to the second floor rectangular entrance in the south bay which is surmounted by a three lite transom. Two gabled roof A vents are placed in the roof of the east elevation.

A recent two bay wide on the west, three bay wide on the east, two bay deep, two story high frame gabled roof (running north-south) south wing with wide brick chimney on its south wall springs from the south wall of the original stone building. Its second floor projects outward almost a foot to create a wooden belt course effect dividing the first and second stories of the house and a plain cornice over the first floor.

Its fenestration is rectangular, double-hung with six-over-six lites, decorated with black shutters. The south wall is an exception. It holds a first floor eight lite casement window on the west side of the exterior brick chimney and a second floor double-hung window with four-over-four lites east and west of the wide brick chimney.

A one story shed roofed porch lies along the east wall of the south addition.

A one and a half story gabled roof (running north-south) two car garage with 2 north car entrances and 1 north passenger entrance in the east bay north of the stone house is connected to it by a one bay wide, one and a half story hyphen. A second floor rectangular double-hung window with six-over-six lites is centered in the north wall above the entrances.

A gabled roof red battonwood tool shed lies east of the house, which is bordered on the east by a columbia residential grouping and on the west by route 29.

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**8. SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian	<input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 18th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century
<input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century	

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) Circa 1798

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal	<input type="checkbox"/> Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Political	<input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning
<input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> Engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Historic	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Industry		_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> Invention	<input type="checkbox"/> Science	_____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Landscape	<input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture	_____
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<input type="checkbox"/> Commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> Literature	<input type="checkbox"/> Theater	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Communications	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> Music		_____

**STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

According to Mrs. Barbara Kelly, owner of what she believes to be the Cooper's House where the rings were made that went around the barrels for the Oakland Grist Mill this stone house appears on an Anne Arundel County, Maryland Tax List of 1798 for Felicity, of which this was once a part.

Additional information is given by the owners of the Gales-Gaither House, furnished by John McGrain, noted historian of early Maryland industry. See H0 - 155 - the significance statement for the Gales-Gaither House.

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**9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Interview with Capt. & Mrs. R.B. Kelly at their home, March 12, 1977.  
  
John McGrain's mimeographed notes on Oakland Manor and Mill.  
See HO-155 Gales-Gaither Stone House Significance Statement

**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	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
NW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
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SE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

**Acreage Justification:**

Please see Attachment #1  
  
Tax Map 30, p. 179  
  
1.178 A 523-546

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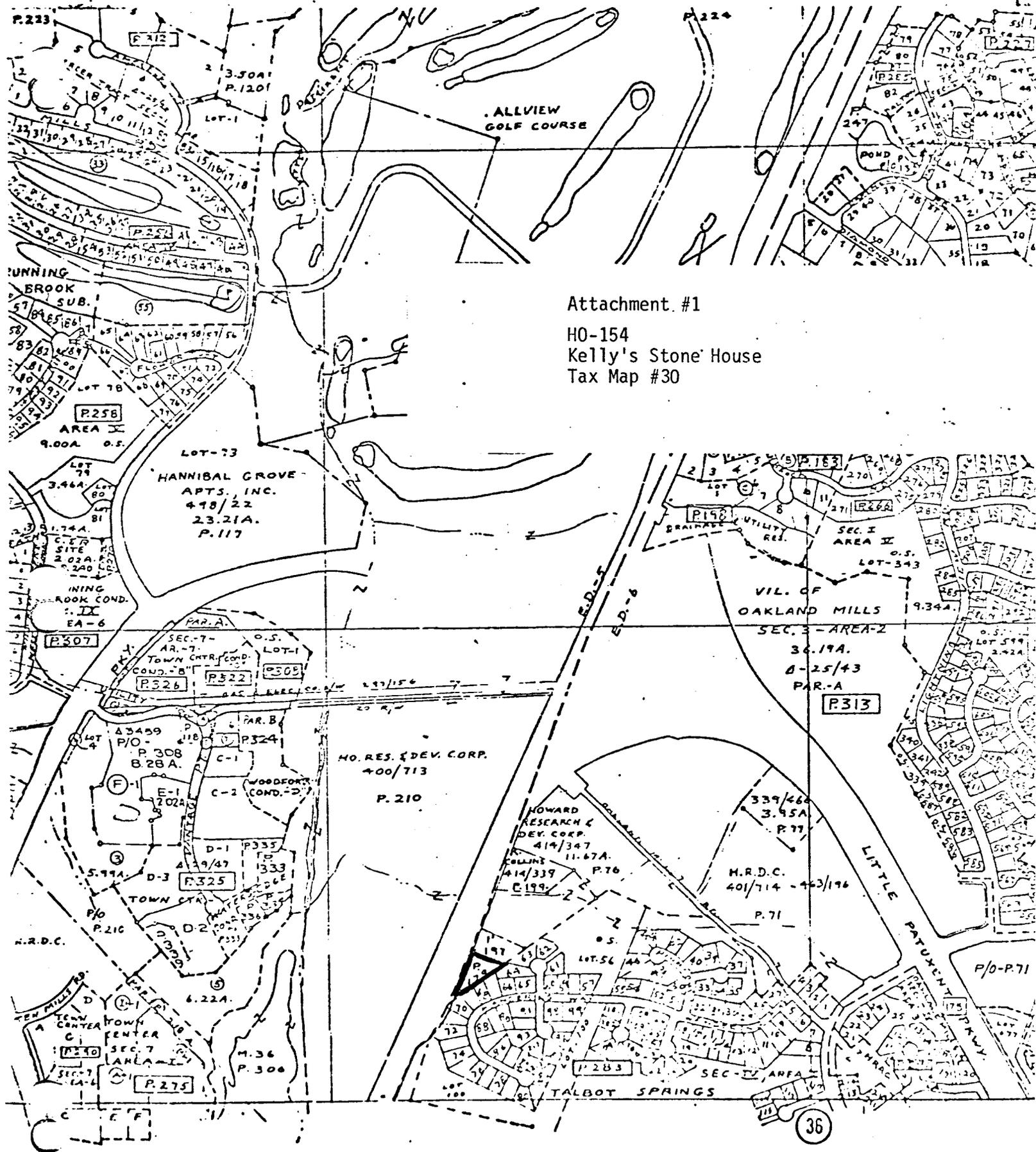
**11. FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME AND TITLE: Cleora Barnes Thompson, Archivist		
ORGANIZATION Comprehensive Planning Section	DATE	
STREET AND NUMBER: 3450 Courthouse Drive		
CITY OR TOWN: Ellicott City	STATE Maryland	21043

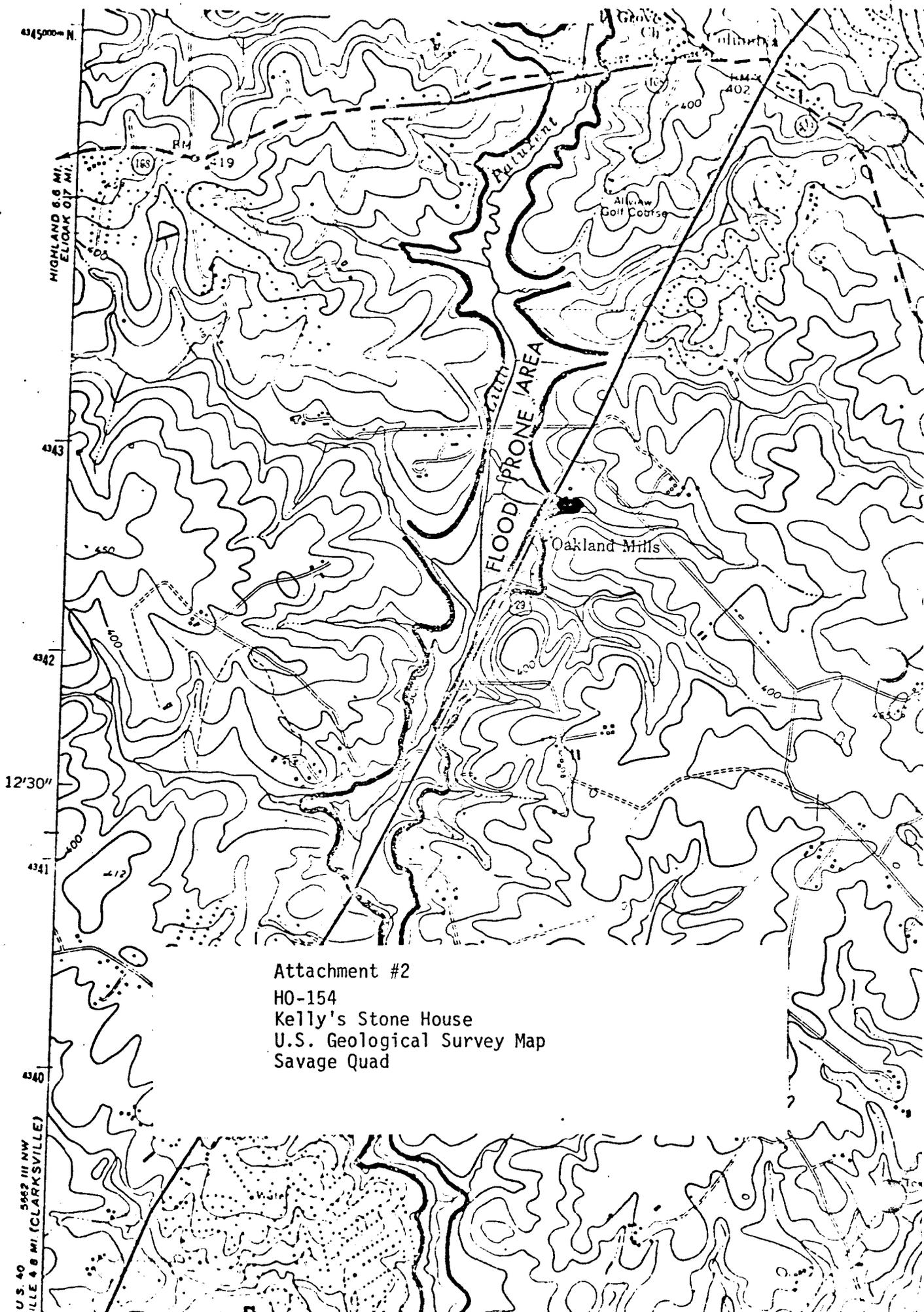
**12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)**

Significance of this property is:  
National  State  Local

Signature \_\_\_\_\_



Attachment. #1  
 HO-154  
 Kelly's Stone House  
 Tax Map #30



Attachment #2  
HO-154  
Kelly's Stone House  
U.S. Geological Survey Map  
Savage Quad



CLEORA BARNES THOMPSON  
PLANNING CONSULTANT  
HISTORICAL SITES SURVEY

HO-154 KELLY'S STONE HOUSE - OAKLAND MILLS VILLAGE  
(WEST)  
MAR. 77