

H0-273  
The Toomey House  
Private  
Elkridge

eighteenth and nineteenth centuries

The Toomey House faces east, just north of the northwest corner of Furnace and Race Roads. It is a three bay wide, one room deep, two and a half story high, gabled roof (running north-south) shingled frame building, resting on a stone foundation with wide brick chimney inset into its north wall. Fenestration is rectangular, vertically aligned, proportionally scaled and double-hung, holding six-over-six lights. East and west rectangular, cross paneled entrance doors are located in the building's south bay. That on the east is surmounted by a three light transom. The building features an early, shed roofed addition, which connects it to an eighteenth century, two story high, two bay wide, one room deep, gabled roof (running east-west) shingled frame kitchen wing on the west, with open bible and cross paneled entrance in the west bay of its south wall, surmounted by a three light transom. A wide, squarish brick chimney rises from the center of the building, whose kitchen fireplace holds a fire plate, marked Ellicott Elkridge Furnace, dating this wing to circa 1770 and to the same period as the Elkridge Furnace House on the east side of Furnace Road.

The 1878 Hopkin's Atlas also delineates the house as a part of this property owned at that time by T. H. Brown

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC Tenant house for the Elkridge Furnace House  
 AND/OR COMMON The Toomey House

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER 5730 Furnace Road  
 CITY, TOWN Elkridge, Maryland VICINITY OF CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 6th  
 STATE HOWARD COUNTY

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME Mr. Roy Bauman Telephone #:  
 STREET & NUMBER 5730 Furnace Rd.  
 CITY, TOWN Elkridge, Maryland VICINITY OF 21227 STATE, zip code

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, Tax Map 38, p. P/O 775 Liber #: 656  
 REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Hall of Records Folio #: 110  
 STREET & NUMBER Howard County Court House  
 CITY, TOWN Ellicott City STATE Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE Howard County Historic Sites Inventory  
 DATE 1978-1979  FEDERAL  STATE  COUNTY  LOCAL  
 DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS Maryland Historical Trust  
 CITY, TOWN 21 State Circle, Annapolis STATE Maryland

# 7 DESCRIPTION

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Dist 1

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED    DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

## DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Toomey House faces east, just north of the north west corner of Furnace and Race Roads.

It is a three bay wide, one room deep, two and a half story high, gabled roof (running north-south) frame, shingled building, resting on a stone foundation, with a wide brick chimney inset into its north wall. A very early two story high, shed roofed addition runs along its entire west wall, off the two north bays, of whose west wall, extends a two bay wide, two bay deep, two story high, intersecting gabled roof (running east-west) frame shingled kitchen addition, resting on a stone foundation and holding a wide, squarish central brick chimney. This latter wing may well be earlier than the east section front of the house.

Off the entire south wall of this addition runs a one story high, shed roofed, enclosed porch vestibule, with one poured in place concrete base and three pre cast cement steps leading to its central entrance, flanked on the east by a screened in porch and on the west by a six light window. An additional six light window rests in the west wall of this enclosed porch.

Fenestration for the entire house, other than the two windows just described, is rectangular, proportionally scaled, vertically aligned and double-hung, holding six-over-six lights.

Two such first floor windows occur on the south wall of the east section of the house and two similar second floor windows on the south wall of the west kitchen section of the house. Beneath that in the east bay, lies a first floor window, while the west bay of this wall holds an open bible and cross paneled entrance, surmounted by a three light transom. The west elevation of the east wing holds a second floor window in its south bay, beneath which is located an open bible and cross paneled entrance door, while the west elevation of the west kitchen wing holds only one aperture, a first floor window, north of center.

Two basement windows are inset into the east section's north and south walls. The north wall of the east section of the house holds a first and second floor window in its west bay, while the north wall of the west section, lying flush with the east section of the house holds three first and second floor, vertically aligned windows.

The east facade of the building, facing Furnace Road, features a twelve light, rectangular, paneled entrance, surmounted by a three light transom in its south bay, covered by a gabled roof portico, supported by four doric columns. A poured in place cement step and three wooden steps lead to the wooden landing of this portico. First floor windows rest in the central and north bays of the facade with three second floor windows above.

Two gabled roof dormer windows are placed in the gable roof at this elevation. They hold similar windows to those described and complete the building profile.

**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	
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY) local history	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES 18th and 19th centuries  
circa 1770 BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Toomey House is significant historically and architecturally to Howard County and the State of Maryland as one of the early homes located in Elkridge Landing, whose kitchen wing dates to the mid eighteenth century and whose east wing dates to the mid-nineteenth century.

Historically, the building's kitchen wing can be traced back to the mid eighteenth century for the very wide, square, brick chimney, which rises from the center of this section of the house, holds a kitchen fireplace with a fire plate marked Ellicott Elkridge Furnace, which operated at that time. Accounts of the Ellicott Elkridge Furnace Store, located at Elkridge Furnace House, once on the same tract of land as the Toomey House, have been researched and found by Mr. Lowe, present owner of the Elkridge Furnace House. Accounts with dates of 1762 and 1787 were found, which would date this house to that period of time. The house was probably used at that time as a residence for one of the foremen or managers of the Furnace.

T. H. Brown acquired the property in the nineteenth century and is noted also as the owner of the Furnace House on the 1878 Hopkin's Atlas. The house is delineated on this map as it appears today.

In the first decade of the twentieth century, the house was acquired by Joseph H. and Barbara Ellen Toomey, who passed the property on to their children. Today the house, as well as the property on the northwest corner of Furnace and Race Roads, is owned by Roy Bauman, who operates a plumbing company from a building on that corner, which houses his operation. This building is located on the site of an old stable and carriage house, once a part of the Elkridge Furnace House.

Architecturally the building has undergone exterior change, being covered in the early twentieth century by shingles. The interior retains wide, random width floors and two fireplaces for each of the two early section's bedrooms, and a batten wood door leading from one section of the house to the other, in which one must step up, due to higher ceilings in the east section of the house. A brick chimney is located in the second floor bedroom and in the attic of the nineteenth century section.

The basement of the older section features a brick floor, while that of the nineteenth century holds a concrete floor. Each of the shutters of the house are unique and made by hand.

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Mrs. Jean Cassel and her husband, the present occupants of the house, have taken a lively interest in its history, as well as Mr. Roy Bauman, its owner.

The Toomey house in conjunction with the Elkridge Furnace House should be placed on the National Register of Historic Landmarks as a part of the Elkridge Furnace House, and included in the State Critical Areas Program.

**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Howard County Land Records  
Interview with Mrs.  
Jean Cassell, July, 1976  
Interview with Mrs. Pat Lowe, owner of Elkridge Furnace House  
December 13, 1978  
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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

Please see attachment 1 Map 38 p. P/O 775

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Please see Howard County Land Records, Liber 656 Folio 110

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	Maryland	COUNTY	Howard
STATE		COUNTY	

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

Cleora Barnes Thompson, Archivist

ORGANIZATION

Office of Planning & Zoning-Comprehensive Planning Section

DATE

465-5000 x257

STREET & NUMBER

3450 Court House Drive

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Ellicott City

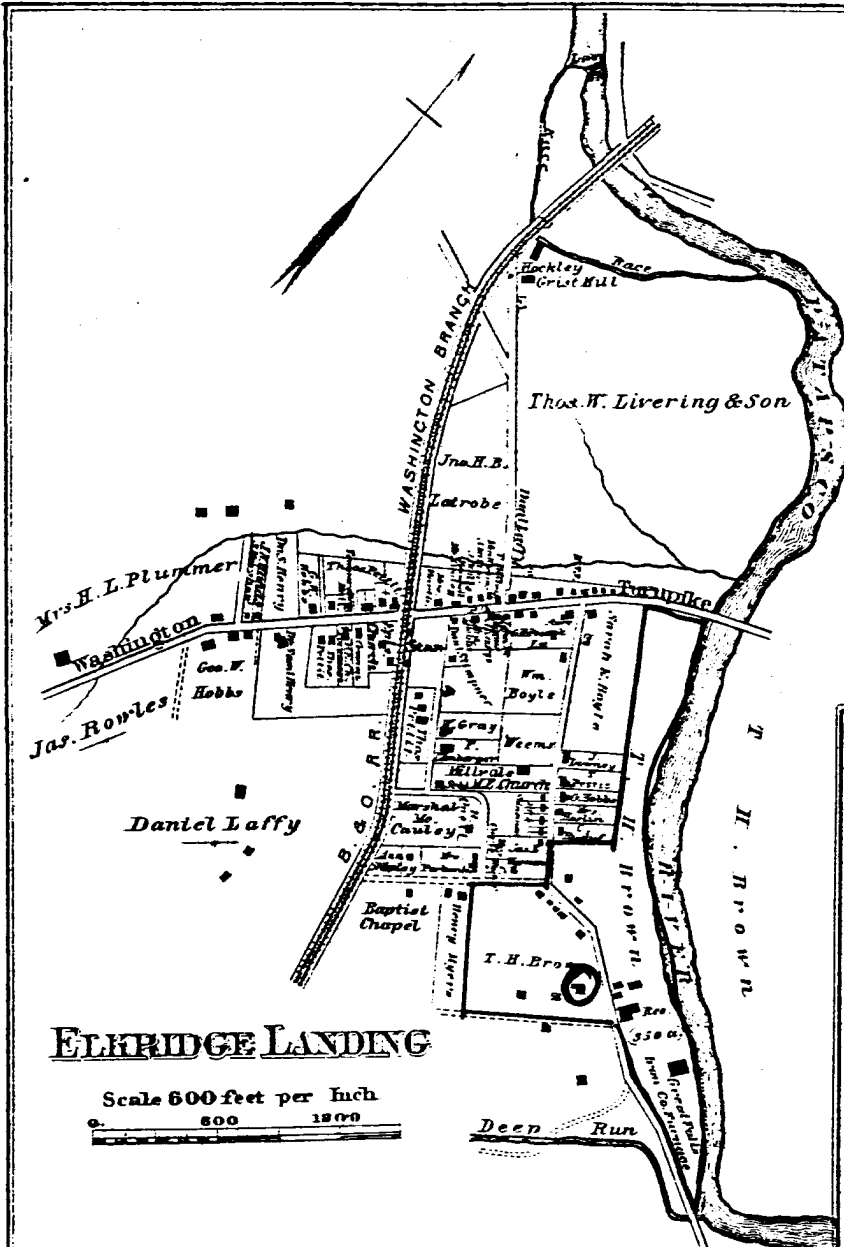
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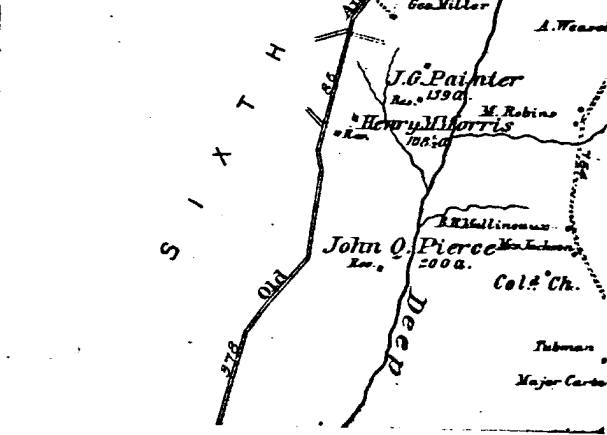
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**Elkridge Landing Business Notices.**

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ENGINEER.
JOHN N. BANDA.
<b>GENERAL MERCHANTS.</b>
DANIEL LAFFY.
MARSHALL MCCAULEY.
JOSEPH H. TALBOT.
GEORGE W. POCOCK.
<b>POST MASTER.</b>
JAMES KARP.
TINSMITH.
GEORGE LANOR, Tin and Sheet Iron Worker, Booting and Sporing, etc.



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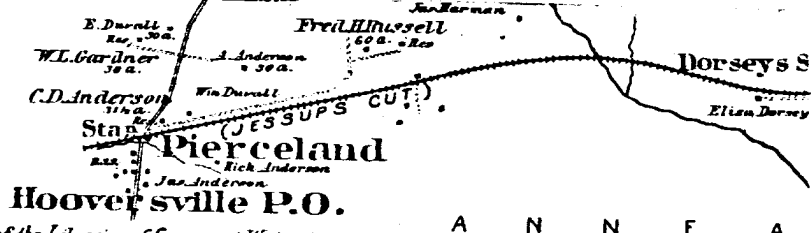
## HOWARD COUNTY

Scale 3 Inches per Mile

**EXPLANATIONS**

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Turnpike	— — — — —
Rail Roads	— — — — —
Streams	— — — — —

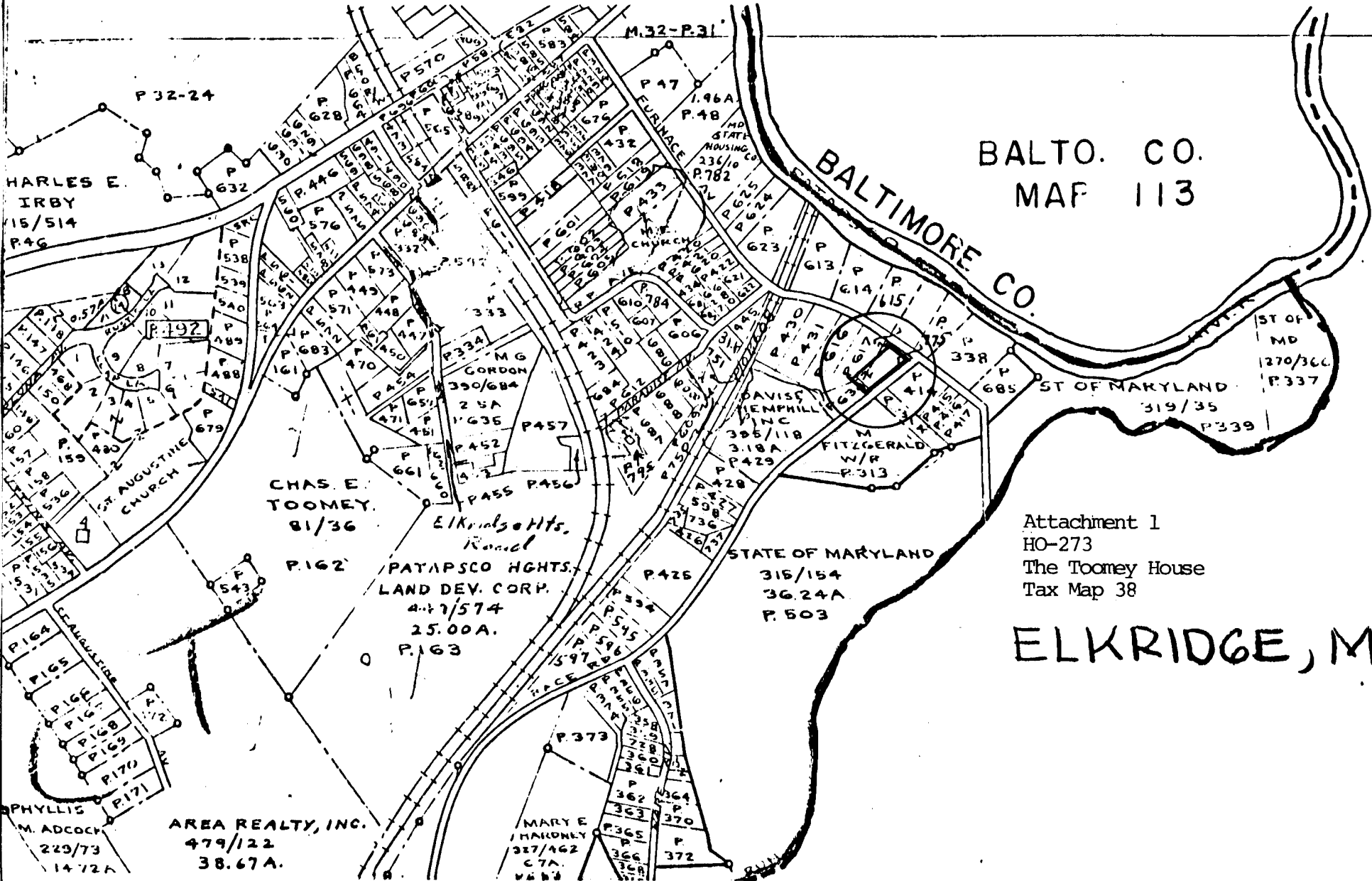
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The Toomey House  
Hopkin's Atlas of 1878

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Attachment 1  
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The Toomey House  
Tax Map 38

ELKRIDGE, MD

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CHAS. E.  
TOOMEY.  
81/36

Elkridge Hts.  
Road  
PATAPSCO HGHTS.  
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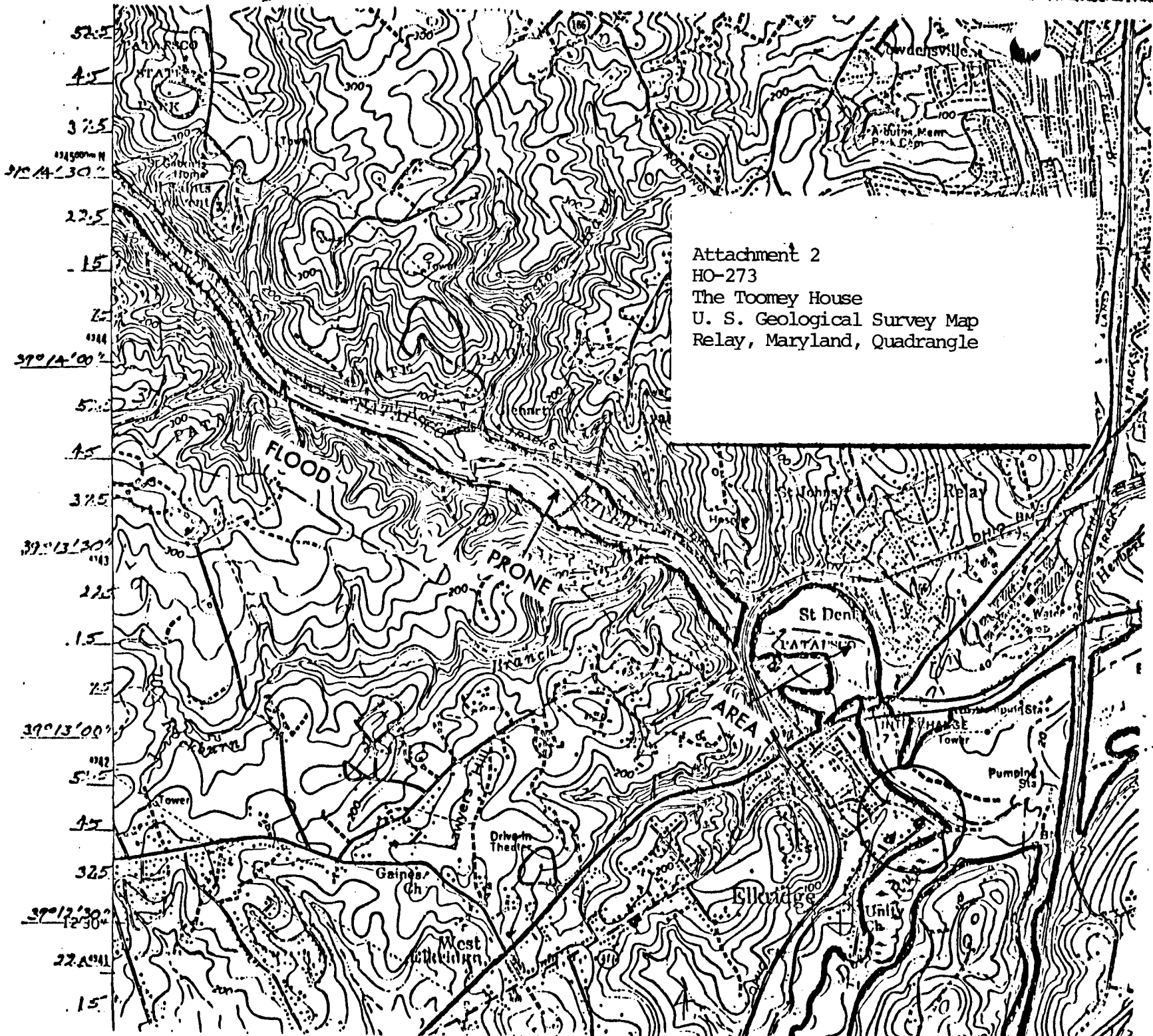
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C7A.  
V488

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Attachment 2  
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The Toomey House  
U. S. Geological Survey Map  
Relay, Maryland, Quadrangle

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The Toomey HO-273 DIST 1  
(RENTAL HOUSE OF ELK RIDGE FURNACE)  
Next to NW corner Race Tur  
South West - Dec-1978  
PATRICKSON AICP