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#### **ADDENDUM**

## Section 3. Owner of Property

Miriam Olivia Earp Kloman and Ethel Corrine Earp 6440 Trotter Road c/o Edith Parlette Clarksville, MD 21029

### Section 4. Location of Legal Description

Howard County Courthouse Ellicott City Liber 2884, Folio 1 Tax Map 38, Parcel 694

#### Section 5. Primary Location of Additional Data

X Other Contributing building in the Elkridge Landing Historic Survey District, HO-784

### Section 7. Description

Condition: Good Date: c. 1878

The Kloman Building at 5765 Main Street faces north on the south side of the street. It is bounded to the east by HO-321, The Gonzales House, and a large open lot to the west. This two story frame building was built in several stages and has three different roof lines. On the front façade, the building is four bays wide with a front gabled roof over the eastern most two bays and a side gabled roof over the western most portion. Another front gabled (running north-south) section is located behind the side gabled section to the west of the other front gabled section. The entire roof is covered with asphalt shingles, while the walls of the building are covered with asbestos siding. The building rests on a stone foundation. All portions of the roof boast a wide eave overhang and cornice returns on the gable ends. The front gabled section of the house on the east has white corner boards. There are three square brick chimneys, each one centered along the ridge of a different roof line.

The front gabled section of the north (front) façade has a window in the eastern most (left) bay on the first floor and the front entry door beside it on the far right (west) of this front gabled section. The window is a large floor-to-ceiling, 1/1 vinyl unit. The door is 1950's style with three lights arranged diagonally and is protected by an aluminum screen door. A two light transom is located above it. The second story of the front gabled section has two 1/1 vinyl windows.

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The side gabled section of the front façade adjoins the western wall of the front gabled section and the front of the side gabled section was originally f lush with the front of the front gabled section. The second story portion of it still is and boasts two 1/1 vinyl windows. The first story of this portion of the house has been extended forward about 4 feet and has four 2/2 light fixed shop windows over flat paneled wood aprons with a central glazed and paneled entry door. A shed roof shelters this extension and continues beyond the front of the building approximately two more feet creating a narrow porch. This porch roof is supported by four square wooden posts made of two 2x4's stuck together with 'Y' bracing at the top.

Two additional porches adorn the front façade, one on each story of the front gabled section. The front porch on the first story runs the full width of the front gabled section, has a hipped roof, and wraps around the eastern side of the building to engage a bay window on the east facade. This porch has three craftsman-style supports with large square wood columns on top of rusticated concrete block bases, no balustrade, and a cement floor. A second story porch, supported by square posts with chamfered corners, also runs the full width of the front gabled section and is detailed with a pierced wooden balustrade and scroll brackets in the Victorian style.

On the south (rear) façade, the two front gabled sections are visible abutting each other and the side gabled section is hidden from view. There are several shed roofed additions also visible from the rear. The eastern most front gabled section (which is also the front gabled section visible on the front façade) has a single small rectangular window in the gable end, two windows on the second story, and one window and a door on the first story. The entire first story of this portion of the building is sheltered by a shed roofed porch with a Victorian-style balustrade. The front gabled section on the west (the portion that is not visible from the front) has a lower pitched roof, two windows in the second story, and a frame, shed roofed, single pile addition with three windows across the entire first story. A narrow two story shed roofed addition extends off the west side of the western most front gabled section. It has a single window on the second story and a door on the first story. All of the windows on this façade are 1/1 vinyl replacements and the façade is sheathed in asbestos siding. Vinyl siding is used in a few places, however: the rear of the single story rear addition and this façade of the first story of the eastern-most front gabled section are both clad in vinyl.

On the west façade, the shed-roofed extension of the first story of the side gabled section noted on the front of the building looks like an enclosed porch. No windows are present but there are decorative scroll brackets at the cornice of this part of the building that look like they would be more at home on a porch than stuck on the side of the building. The west façade of the main block of the side gabled section is one room deep and has no windows. The two story shed roofed addition on the western front gabled section runs from the back of the side gabled section to the back of the front gabled section, essentially filling in that corner of the square. This section has three windows on the second story, including one square window set at a 45 degree angle, and two windows and a door on the first story. All the windows are replacement vinyl and the entire façade is clad in asbestos siding.

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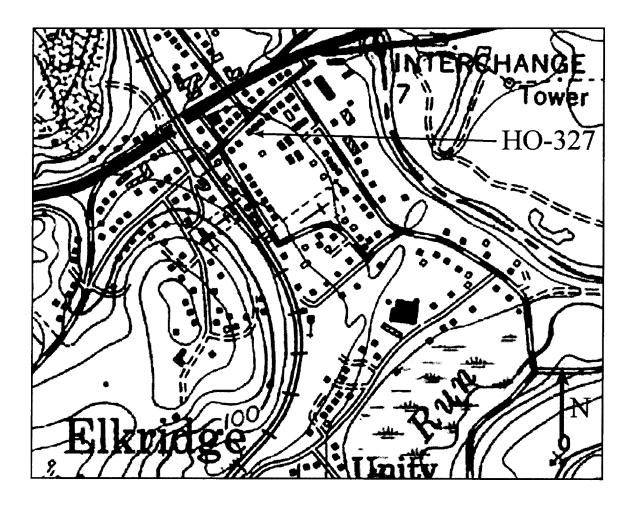
The east façade of the Klomen building is the east façade of the eastern front gabled section. Towards the rear of the roof there is a large cross gable exhibiting patterned shingles and an arched four-light window. In the front-most bay of the building there is a two-story bay window that has 1/1 vinyl windows in all three sides of the bay on both floors. In addition to the bay window, the second story has four windows and the first story has two. With the exception of the four-light arched window in the attic, all the other windows are replacement vinyl, and, with the exception of the patterned shingles in the cross gable, this façade is clad in asbestos siding.

The current owners of the house bought it within the last year from a descendant of the Earp family. They have in their possession several historical photos of the house when the side gabled portion was used as a general store and post office. A quick survey of the first floor revealed that the front gabled section is two rooms deep and a stair to the second story with turned balusters and a turned newel post rises from in between the two rooms. The front door enters into a hall off of which is located a parlor in the front of the house and the dining room in the rear. There are two coal burning fireplaces in the front gabled portion of the house, one in the parlor and one in the dining room. Both have wooden mantles with late 19<sup>th</sup> – early 20<sup>th</sup> century detailing. The dining room boasts crown molding and reeded door surrounds with bull's eye cornerblocks. The side gabled section which used to house the general store and post office is still one large room, now used as a family room. Inside the former general store room there are square posts with chamfered corners along what would have been the front of the building if it was aligned with the front of the front gabled section. This seems to suggest that the bump out of the first story of this part of the building is a later alteration.

There are no outbuildings associated with this house though there may be the remains of a well directly behind the house. A section of decorative cast iron fence that runs halfway across the front of the property may be original to the house. The fence is painted black and is in relatively good condition. Overall, the house is in very good condition and is well-maintained. The original inventory form dates this building to circa 1828 but there is no visible physical evidence to support such an early date. J. Earp is indicated as owning a building in approximately this location on the 1878 Hopkins map. This evidence, combined with the remaining original decorative details and overall form, makes it reasonable to date this building to c.1878.

#### Section 11. Form Prepared by

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HO-327, Kloman Building Elkridge, Howard County, MD USGS Topographic Quadrangle, Relay 7.5 Minute Series, 1957 (PR 1966 and 1974)



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Circa 1828

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To the west wall of the house was constructed a two bay wide, three bay deep, two story high, gabled roof (running north-south) frame building, with tall, central, brick chimney, operated by James Earp as a General Store in 1878.

Later additions include a dining room extension on the south wall of the house and an enlargement of the grocery store on the north wall of the store. One and two story high porches along the south and west walls of the building complex, respectively, have been enclosed.

The residence dates back to the early days of Elkridge Landing and was one of five houses conveyed to Matilda Hobbs by her father George Pocock in 1828.

# INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

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Stone piles hold square wooden post supports for the first floor porch. To the south wall of the original building was constructed an early two bay wide, two bay deep, two story high, gabled roof (running north-south) dining room addition with intersecting attic gable holding a romanesque two-over-two light double-hung, window, within the shingled "A' of the gable.

Fenestration is vertically aligned, proportionally scaled, rectangular and double-hung, featuring two over-four light windows on the north facade, one-over-one light windows in the bay and two-over-two light windows for the rest of this section of the house.

A two bay wide, three bay deep, two story high, gabled roof (running north-south) frame building, with tall, central, brick chimney, stood just south west of the original dwelling house, constructed along the dwelling's west wall and this was probably used as the old store by the grand parents of Mrs. Ethel Earp, resident of the early house. The store existed before the dining room addition, which features higher ceilings, and which extended the south wall of the residence to meet the south wall of the store. A two story high, shed roofed porch, along the west elevation of the store, has now been enclosed and features a rectangular batten wood, central entrance, surmounted by a one light transom, on its south wall, with six-over-six light, second floor window above. The west wall of this enclosed porch now holds a central, rectangular, six light entrance door, surmounted by a shed roofed hood, and flanked by single four-over-four light, double-hung windows. Two second floor, six-over six light windows rest on the north side of this elevation, with a four light diamond window on the south.

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One further extension was made in this house-store complex. A one room deep, two bay wide, two story high, intersecting gabled roof (running east-west) section was added to fill in the northwest corner of the building somplex. No apertures appear on its west wall, while a one story high, flat roofed, frame store front has been added along its north wall, facing Main Street, and a shed roofed, open porch, supported by four iron columns added, in turn, to its north wall.

Two second floor, rectangular, six-over-six light windows rest above.

Along the south wall of the residence, store and enclosed west porch, all of which lie flush with one another at this elevation, runs a one story high, hipped roof open porch whose central section, running south from the south wall of the store was first enclosed one bay wide and later, extended southward again. The south wall of this extension holds three rectangular, shuttered windows. The east and west walls of the first extension hold single six-over-six light windows.

The east wall of the second extension holds a four-over-four light window, while its west elevation holds a rectangular entrance and shuttered, rectangular window south of the entrance.

The building is presently used as the residence of Ms. Ethel Earp, grand daughter of James and Catherine Earp, while the store is used as an additional residence, rather than for commercial use.

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#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Klomen Building, formerly known as the James Earp house and store, dates back to the first half of the nineteenth century, and as such, is of outstanding significance to Howard County and the State of Maryland, historically and architecturally.

Historically, this building was one of five on a lot devised to Matilda Hobbs by her father, George Pocock in his will of 1838, recorded in Howard County, (Wills #1-19). Matilda and her husband Brice Hobbs, leased the land to George A. Rhoades for \$300. plus rent on August 21, 1868. Later, in 1873, Matilda conveyed a deed to the property to George Rhoades, who moved to Allegany County and sold the house and lot, consisting of 38 square perches, to James Earp on June 23, 1876 (36-489) for \$965. with \$1.00 paid to Matilda Hobbs.

Today it remains in the Earp family and is the residence of Ethel Earp, grand daughter of Catharine and James Earp, who had a grocery store and residence here. James Earp, Jr., is responsible for constructing the east bay window, front and back porches, as well as the dining room addition and north store front of the general store on the west wall of the residence (see description for details).

Architecturally, the building is noteworthy as an example of how a simple dwelling unit is enlarged to meet the needs of its occupants. The house probably began as a simple, two story high, frame house with one room on each floor and a back staircase.

James Earp, began construction of his grocery store, circa 1876, when he acquired the property and built it along the west side of the house with a bit of a set back. The house is noted on the Hopkins Atlas of 1878. Later, his son, James Earp, enlarged the house by adding the south dining room addition, as well as the front and back porches and the two story high, east bay window, all circa 1900. The interior of the house features wide random width floors, cross paneled doors and Roman arched mantle piece with key stone.

At this same time, James Earp, Jr., father of Ethel Earp, enlarged the store, adding the north section of the store, as well as the store front and shed roofed overhang. This latter addition could be easily removed to allow the original integrity of the house to be enhanced.

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The remainder of the house has a peculiar charm and attraction as well as interest. Architecturally, it serves as a link in the streetscape along the south side of Main Street, uniting the Gonzales House, HO-321 with the small house west of the James Earp House and Store.

For these reasons, this house, in conjunction with the Main Street, Elkridge area, should be placed on the National Register of Historic Places and on the State Critical Areas Program.

## 9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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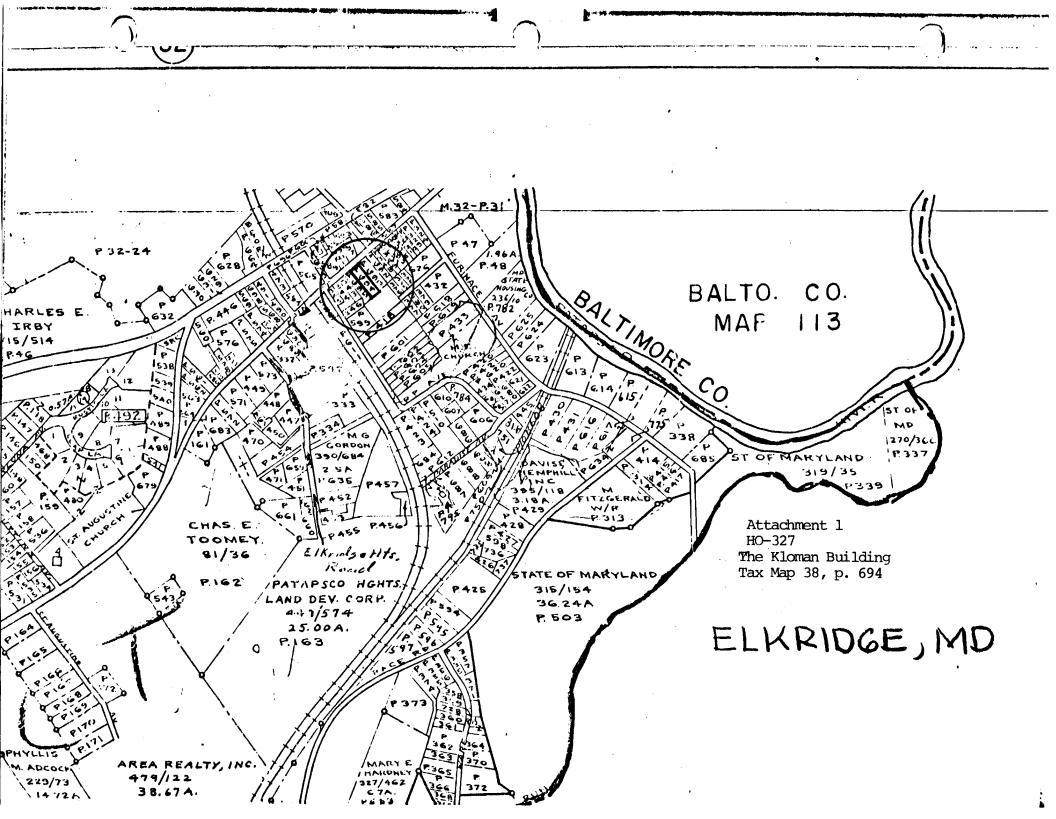
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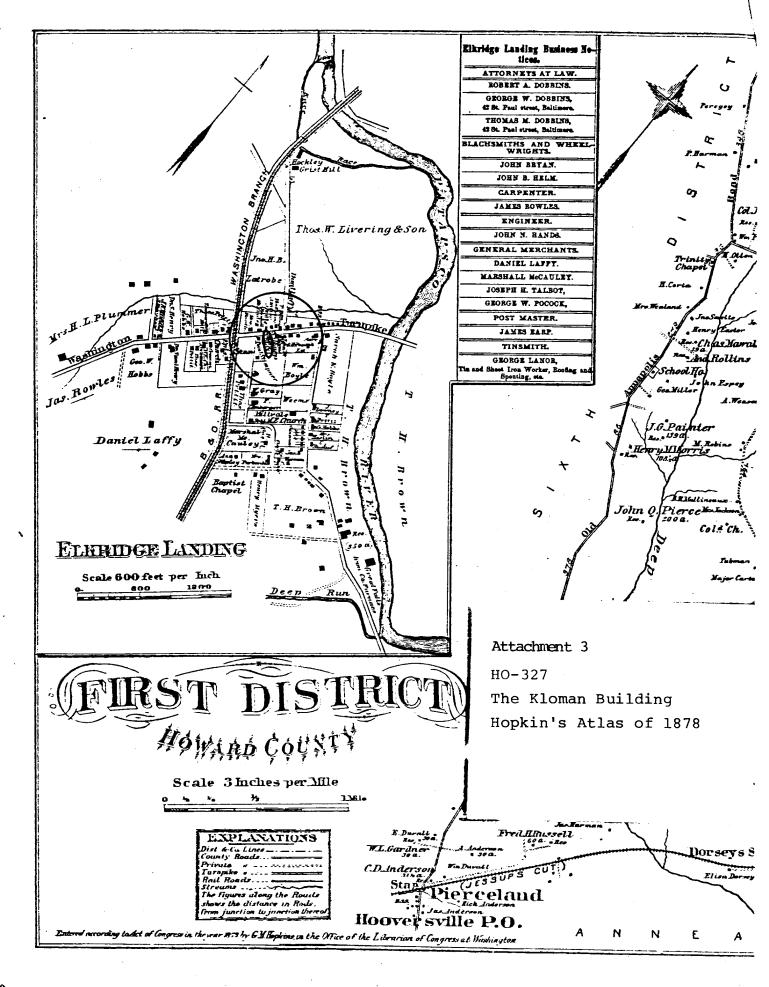
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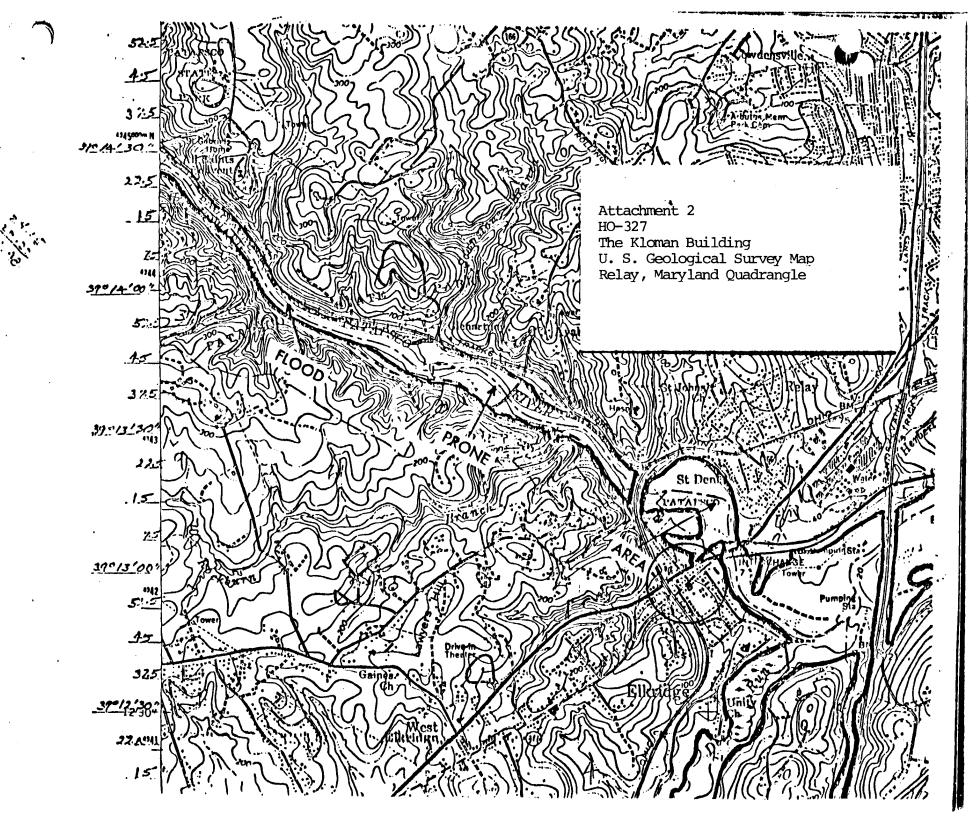
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