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Woodlawn Slave Quarters

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(WOODLAWN FARMS)

Private

Columbia

Woodlawn Farms is a three bay wide, two bay deep, two story high, hipped roof stone structure with two central brick chimneys. An usually well constructed building, Woodlawn Farms central north bay projects outward and holds a wide rectangular double entrance door which is surmounted by a two lite transom and flanked by four vertical side lites, crowned by a gable roof. A hipped roof portico whose cornice is decorated with a row of brackets held by two square posts decorated and supported by scrolled brackets. Similar hipped roof one story high porches lie on the east and west walls, while an older south wing extend from the south wall.

Associated with Major Henry Howard Owings who was one of the first commissioners of Howard County, Woodlawn Farms in recent years has been part of the Columbia Horse Center. It is now privately owned and its old slave quarters, believed to have once housed an early Dorsey settler, stands unoccupied on the outskirts of the adjacent horse barns which lie south of the main house,

One of Howard County's loveliest landmarks, Woodlawn has remained virtually untouched through the years.

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

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

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

1. NAME
COMMON:
Woodlawn Farms Slave Quarters
AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION
STREET AND NUMBER:
9254 Old Annapolis Road
CITY OR TOWN:
Columbia
STATE: Maryland COUNTY: Howard

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input type="checkbox"/> Building <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	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		

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY
OWNER'S NAME:
Dr. Carl M. Leventhal
STREET AND NUMBER:
9254 Old Annapolis Road
CITY OR TOWN: Columbia STATE: Maryland 21044

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Hall of Records
STREET AND NUMBER:
3450 Courthouse Drive
CITY OR TOWN: Ellicott City STATE: Maryland 21043

Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #): Tax Map #30
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6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS
TITLE OF SURVEY:
Howard County Historic Sites Inventory
DATE OF SURVEY: 1977 Federal State County Local
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
Maryland Historical Trust
STREET AND NUMBER:
21 State Circle
CITY OR TOWN: Annapolis STATE: Maryland

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Circa 1785 & 1840

SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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|--|---------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| <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)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <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 type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | | | _____ |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

"Woodlawn Farms" is believed to have been built by the Thomas family circa 1840. In 1859 Major Henry Howard Owings bought "Woodlawn Farms" as well as part of Dr. Allen Thomas "Dalton".

The wooden frame south section of the house is believed to date from about 1785 while an ancient stone slave quarters located on adjoining property probably belonged to an early Dorsey settler.

Major Henry Howard Owings was one of the first commissioners of Howard County. He through two successive wives, Miss Gist and Elizabeth Dorsey had four sons and five daughters. Samuel Sheridan Owings, his son inherited Woodlawn Farms.

One of Howard County's most significant and beautiful landmarks, Woodlawn Farms is registered with the Maryland Historical Trust and presented in a brochure issued by the Howard County Historical Society as one of 60 of the County's most outstanding landmarks. It has been incorporated in the State Critical Areas Planning Program for Howard County as one of some 50 historical sites suitable for preservation.

It should be considered for inclusion into the National Register for Historic Places and any future local landmark legislation.

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Warfield, J.D. Founders of Ann Arundel and Howard Counties, Maryland. Baltimore, 1973
Interview with Mrs. Mark Handwerk, great-grand-daughter of Henry Howard Owings who lived at Woodlawn Farms and Arlington, January 13, 1977.
The citizens Advisory Group, the Office of Planning and Zoning, State Critical Areas Planning Program Howard County, October 26, 1976, Woodlawn Farms

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	
NW	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		
NE	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •		
SE	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •		
SW	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •		

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreeage Justification:
Please see Tax Map 30 423/409, P.O. p. 26 5 acres

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Cleora B. 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)

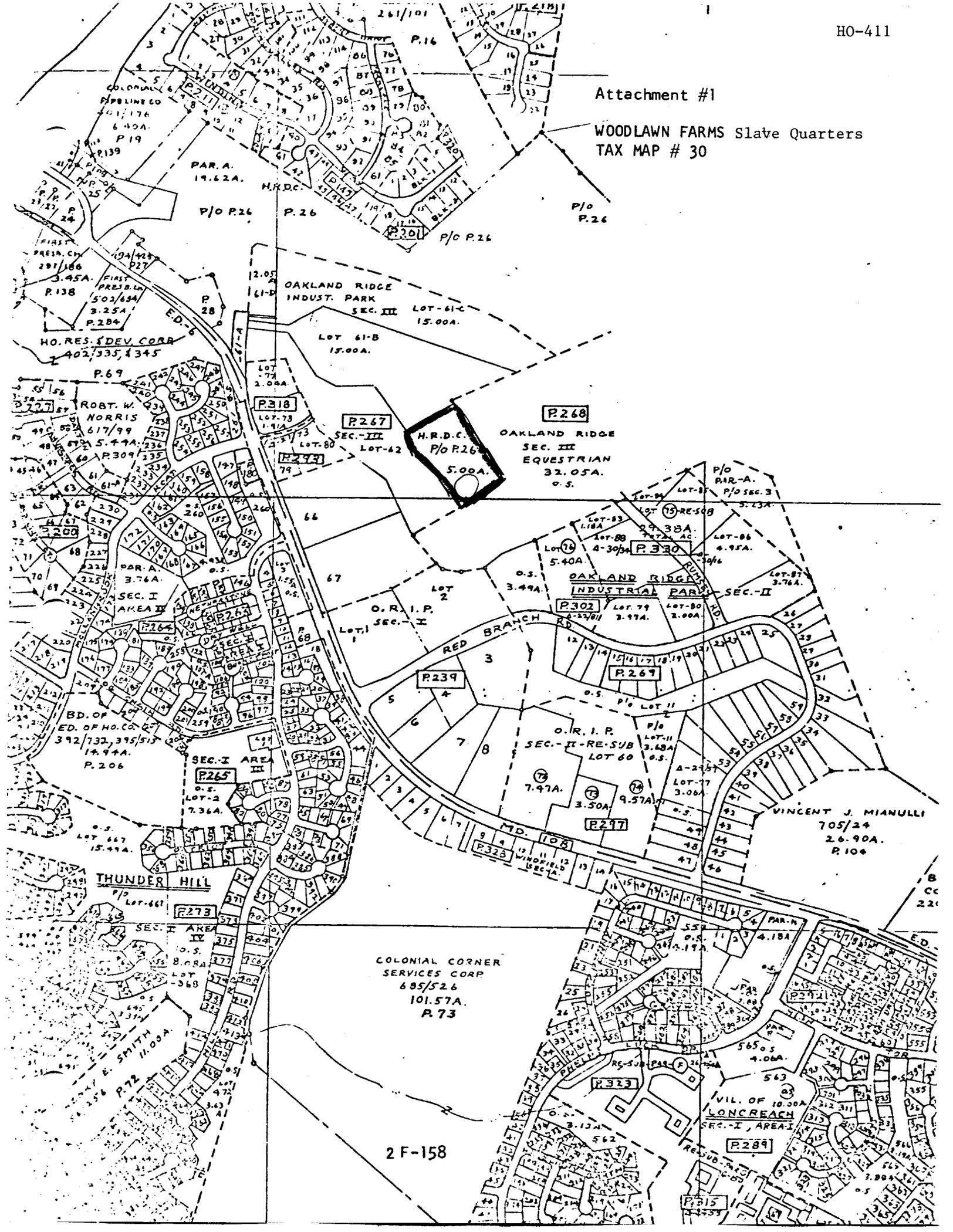
Significance of this property is:
National State Local

Signature _____

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Attachment #1

WOODLAWN FARMS Slave Quarters
TAX MAP # 30



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