

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM**

Property Name: Lift-the-Latch Inventory Number: HO-444

Address: 6176 Lawyers Hill Road, Elkridge, Maryland 21075

Owner: Mr. and Mrs. James B. Davis, 6176 Lawyers Hill Road, Elkridge, Maryland 21075

Tax Parcel Number: P.12 Tax Map Number: 32

Project: Lawyers Hill Historic District I-95 NB: Montgomery Rd to I-895, Howard County, MD Agency: MDOT/SHA

Site visit by: SHA Staff: no yes Name _____ Date _____

Eligibility recommended Eligibility not recommended _____

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

Is property located within a historic district? no yes Name of district Lawyers Hill Historic District

Is district listed? no yes 1993

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: *(provide name of Report)* Project Review and Compliance Files

Description of Property and Eligibility Determination: *(Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)*

Lift-the-Latch (HO-444) is a one-and-a-half-story cottage that is a contributing element in the Lawyers Hill Historic District listed in 1993. The house was recorded in the Maryland Historical Trust Inventory of Historic Properties in 1977. The current evaluation was undertaken to determine the property's individual eligibility for the National Register of Historic Places as part of a noise barrier analysis.

The current appearance of the dwelling is the same as that recorded in the 1977 MIHP inventory form. The lapped wood exterior cladding, wood-frame windows, entry door, and wood-paneled shutters appear to be original. The cottage retains integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association.

The house was constructed in 1914 on land formerly part of the "Hursley" estate. The house was designed by Brognard Okie (1875-1945), a Philadelphia architect who was first cousin to Mrs. Clara Hemphill Davis, the original owner. The house descended to daughter Rebecca Davis, then to her nephew. Brognard Okie (1875-1945) was a noted architect and a fellow of the American Institute of Architects (elected in 1932). He resided in New Jersey and maintained an office in Philadelphia where he practiced independently except for a brief time in the firm of Duhring, Okie, and Ziegler. Okie's firm specialized in the design of planned communities in the Philadelphia area in the early 1900s. The majority of his designs were based on medieval prototypes. Okie also specialized in the restoration of historic buildings. Noted examples of his work include the reconstruction of High Street in Philadelphia for the 1925-1926 Sesqui-Centennial Exposition; restoration of the Betsey Ross House; reconstruction of William Penn's Manor House; and, restoration of churches in Paxton and Silver Springs, Pennsylvania (Withey 1970).

Lift-the-Latch is individually significant under Criterion C of the National Register of Historic Places for its architecture. The building embodies the distinctive characteristics of a period revival cottage and represents the work of a master, Brognard Okie. The property boundary is defined by the current parcel. Contributing elements include the circular driveway, the lawn located north of the house, and the mature trees. Non-contributing elements include the one-car, board-and-batten garage and the open-sided wood shed.

Prepared by: Katherine Grandine, Historian/Senior Project Manager, R. Christopher Goodwin & Associates, Inc., July 2000

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Criteria: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D	Considerations: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/> E <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> G <input type="checkbox"/> None
Comments: <u>eligible as a contributing resource</u>	
<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>8/29/00</u>
of Preservation Services	Date
<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>10/18/00</u>
Reviewer, NR program	Date

**RESERVATION VISION 2000; THE MARYLAND PLAN
STATEWIDE HISTORIC CONTEXTS**

I. Geographic Region:

- Eastern Shore (all Eastern Shore counties, and Cecil)
 Western Shore (Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, Prince George's and St. Mary's)
 Piedmont (Baltimore City, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Harford, Howard, Montgomery)
 Western Maryland (Allegany, Garrett and Washington)

II. Chronological/Developmental Periods:

- Rural Agrarian Intensification A.D. 1680-1815
 Agricultural-Industrial Transition A.D. 1815-1870
 Industrial/Urban Dominance A.D. 1870-1930
 Modern Period A.D. 1930-Present
 Unknown Period (prehistoric historic)

III. Historic Period Themes:

- Agriculture
 Architecture, Landscape Architecture,
and Community Planning
 Economic (Commercial and Industrial)
 Government/Law
 Military
 Religion
 Social/Educational/Cultural
 Transportation

IV. Resource Type:

Category: Building
Historic Environment: Suburb
Historic Function(s) and Use(s): Domestic
Known Design Source: Brognard Okie





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11/2-2018

12/1-2018

6176 Longitude

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12. 1. 1944

1946 numbers - 1d

1947 numbers - 1d

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1949

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Woodstock 1951

1952

1953 1954 - 1955 1956 1957 1958

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Lift-the-Latch
Elkridge
Private

1914

Lift-the-Latch faces east on the north side of Lawyers Hill Road just west of the Dobbin-Warner House, upon whose previously owned property this charming house stands. It is a three bay wide, two bay deep, one and a half story high, gable d roof (running north-south) frame structure with a wide exterior stone chimney located just east of center on the south wall. A shed roofed one story high, stone bay window lies just east of the chimney and flush with it, holding a rectangular double-hung window with six-over-six lights.

The north elevation is perfectly symmetrical, holding two first floor tripartite windows and two second floor windows and four square four light attic windows above.

In addition there are two gabled roof dormer windows on the east elevation and a shed roofed dormer window on the west.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC Lift-the-Latch

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

6176 Lawyers Hill Road
STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN Elkridge

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
VICINITY OF Sixth District

STATE Maryland

COUNTY Howard

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"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC ACQUISITION	<input type="checkbox"/> ACCESSIBLE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES, RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES, UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
			<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
			<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
			<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL
			<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
			<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME Ms. Rebecca H. Davis

Telephone #: 796-1176

STREET & NUMBER
6176 Lawyers Hill Road

CITY, TOWN Elkridge VICINITY OF Maryland

STATE, zip code
21227

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Hall of Records

Liber #: 581
Folio #: 431

STREET & NUMBER
Howard County Court House

CITY, TOWN Ellicott City

STATE Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE
Howard County Historic Sites Inventory

DATE 1977

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS Maryland Historical Trust

CITY, TOWN 21 State Circle, Annapolis

STATE Maryland

7 DESCRIPTION

Ho-444
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

Lift-the-Latch is located on the north side of Lawyers Hill Road just west of the Warner-Dobbin House and one mile east of the intersection of Montgomery Road and Lawyers Hill Road. The house faces east holding a central rectangular four light entrance door flanked by rectangular six-over-six light rectangular windows. Above rest two gabled roof dormer windows, holding six-over-six light windows.

The house is a three bay wide, two bay deep, one and a half story high, gabled roof (running north-south) frame structure with a wide exterior stone chimney located just east of center on the south wall. A shed roofed one story high stone bay window lies just east of the chimney and flush with it, holding a rectangular double-hung window with six-over-six lights. The north elevation (Please see figure 1) is perfectly symmetrical, holding two first floor tripartite windows each component a six-over-six light rectangular window and two second floor double hung windows holding six-over-six lights, with four four light attic windows above. The gable roof extends east and west forming cover for the east and west open porches.

The west elevation of the house holds a second floor shed roofed dormer window, holding two double hung, rectangular windows, holding six-over-six lights. One story high open porches are formed by the drop of the gabled roof on the east and west elevations. A one story shed roofed pantry addition lies just north of the six-over-six light kitchen window on the west elevation.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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Howard County Land Records
Interview with Ms. Rebecca Davis
at Lift-the-Latch on December 29, 1977

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 1.51 Acres

Please see Attachment 1, Tax Map 32

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Please see Howard County Land Records
Liber 581 Folio 431.

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

STREET & NUMBER

3450 Court House Drive

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Ellicott City

STATE

Maryland

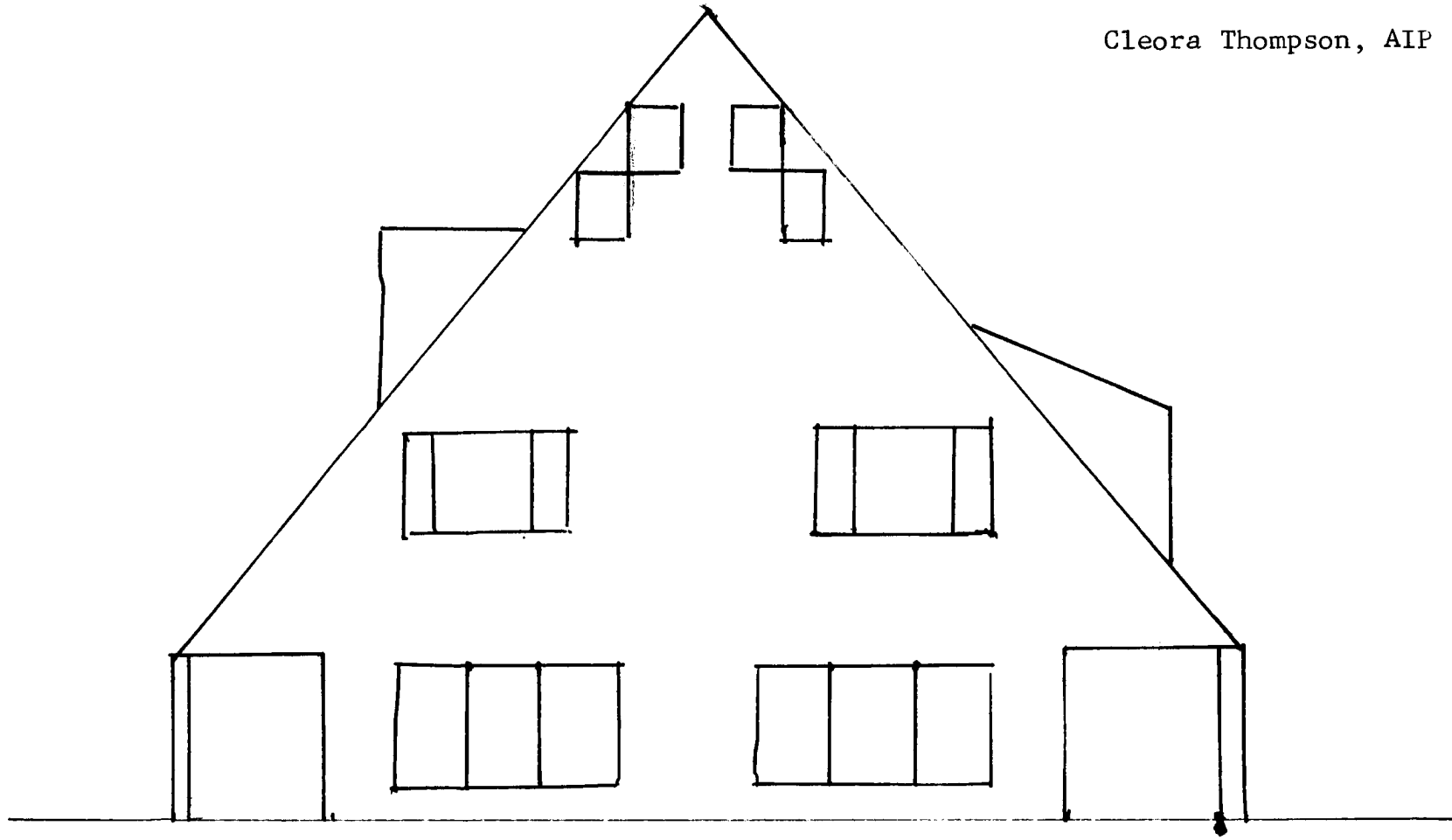
The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

Figure 1
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Lift-a-Latch

Cleora Thompson, AIP



NORTH

ELEVATION

HO-444
Lift-the-Latch
6176 Lawyers Hill Road
Lawyers Hill Historic District
Map, 1993

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Hockley
HO-387
5925 ROAD
23

The Lawn

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Hursley

6036

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6014 ROAD

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The Gables

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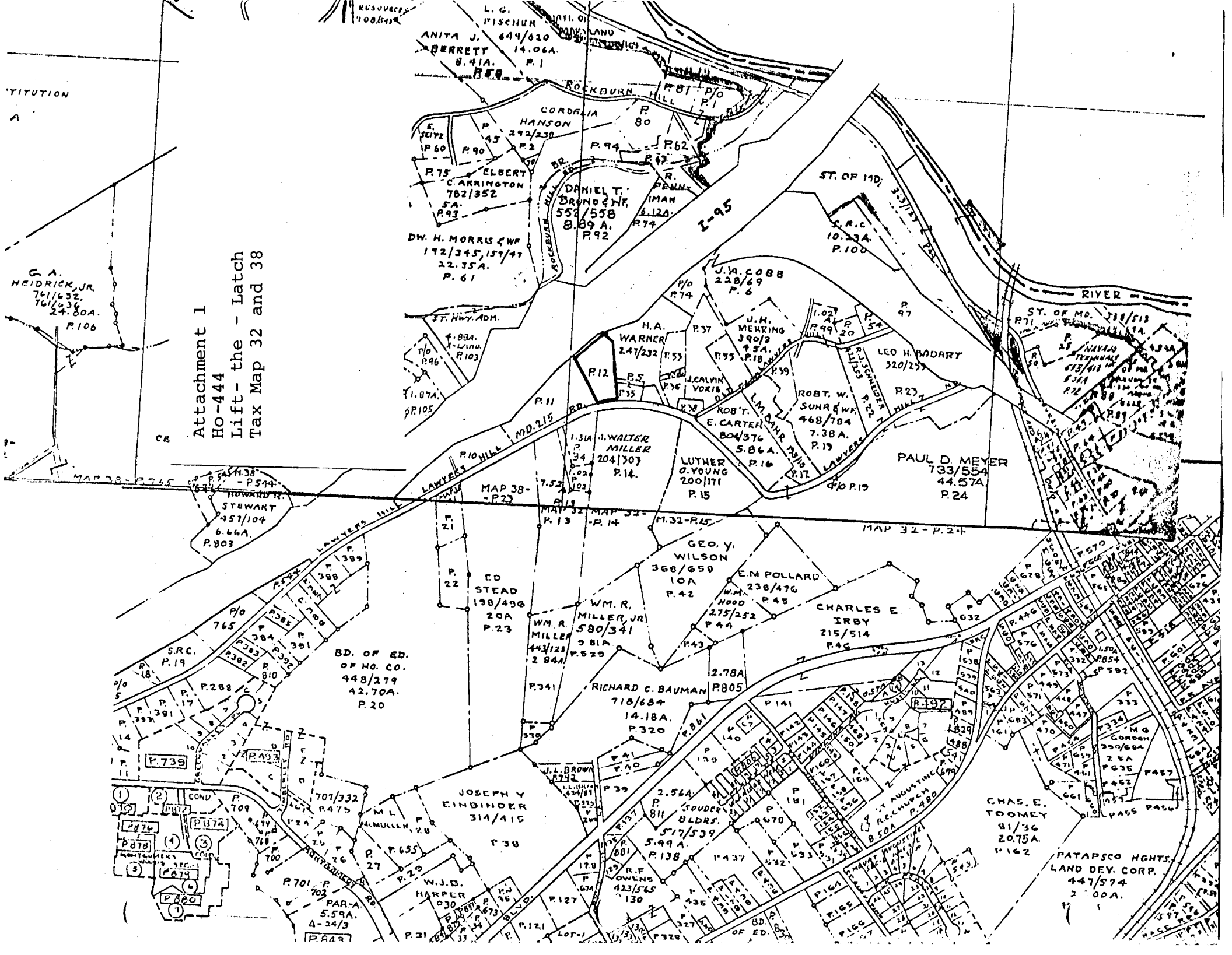
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Old Grace Church Rectory

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Attachment I
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Lift - the - Latch
Tax Map 32 and 38

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ANITA J. 649/620
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ELBERT CARRINGTON
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DANIEL T. BRUNDTG.
552/558
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DW. H. MORRIS & WIFE
192/345, 159/47
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H.A. WARNER
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WALTER MILLER
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WM. R. MILLER, JR.
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WM. R. MILLER
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P.23

RICHARD C. BAUMAN
718/684
14.18A.
P.320

JOSEPH Y EINHINDER
314/415
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W.J.D. HARPER
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J.V. COBB
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LEO H. BODART
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ROBT. W. SUNRUK
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E. CARTER
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LUTHER O. YOUNG
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CHARLES E. IRBY
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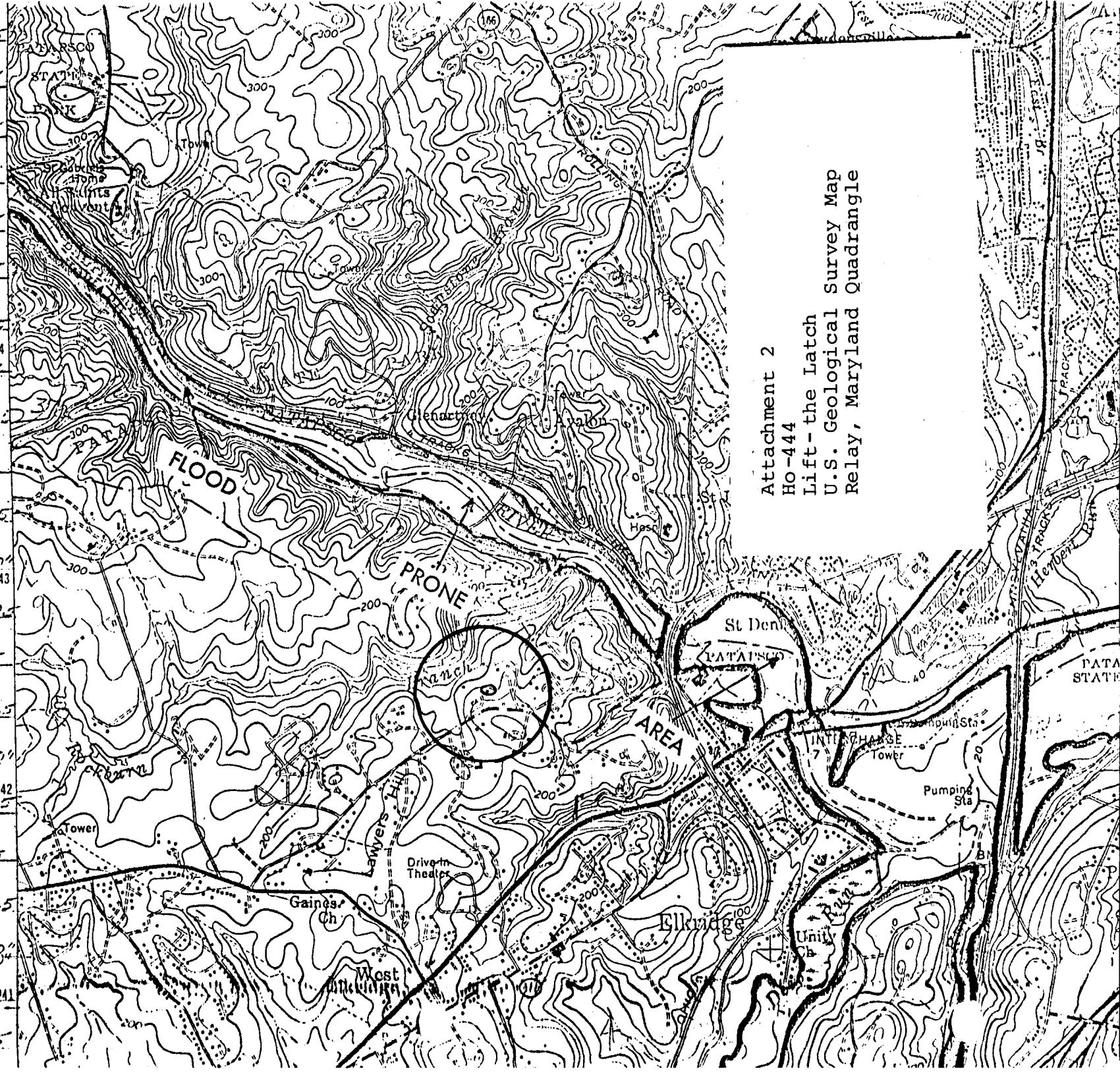
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Attachment 2
Ho-444
Lift - the Latch
U.S. Geological Survey Map
Relay, Maryland Quadrangle



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South
CB Thompson, AIP
Dec. 1977