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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

NOMINATION FORM

for the  
 NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

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**1. NAME**

COMMON:  
 My Lord's Gift

AND/OR HISTORIC:

**2. LOCATION**

STREET AND NUMBER:  
 Entrance on east side of Rte. 648 (Old Annapolis Rd), 1/10 miles south of Riverdale Rd.

CITY OR TOWN:  
 and 1 2/3 miles North of Ritchie Highway - near Riverdale Forest

STATE: Severna Park, Maryland      COUNTY: Anne Arundel

**3. CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<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	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ _____
		<input type="checkbox"/> Comments _____ _____	

**4. OWNER OF PROPERTY**

OWNER'S NAME:  
 Leslie & Mildred Smith

STREET AND NUMBER:  
 RD 2 Box 167

CITY OR TOWN: Severna Park      STATE: Maryland

**5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:  
 Anne Arundel County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER:  
 Annapolis, Maryland

CITY OR TOWN:      STATE:

Map #24, AD #3 Parcel #483, Liber/folio # 1139/516

Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #):

**6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE OF SURVEY:

DATE OF SURVEY:       Federal     State     County     Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

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"/> Uncited		<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site	

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This two story, Federal style, frame house was built between 1817 and 1820 on a tract of land known as My Lord's Gift. The land, consisting of about 350 acres had been purchased in 1795 by Francis Williams from Oneal Robosson. Robosson (or Robinson) lived in the stone house located farther south on the Old Annapolis Road.\* My Lord's Gift was owned by Francis Williams' decendants until the death of Percy Williams in 1919. Wesley Williams is recorded as the owner on the 1860 county map and Mary Williams as the owner on the 1878 map.

The main section of the house (dating from 1817 - 1820) is 5 bays long; has an A-roof; interior, end chimneys; and 6/6 pane windows with louvered shutters. The interior plan is one room deep with a center hall and stair. There is a cellar under the north room (dining room). The interior is basically unaltered and has two unusual features: a built-in cupboard beside the chimney and a small warming closet inside the chimney in the dining room. The stairway is also unusual in that the space beneath it is not enclosed by a spandrel.

In about 1880, a kitchen wing was added to the north end of the house. It has two floors, connected by a narrow winding stair. The room on the second floor can be reached from the main section of the house through a small door. The kitchen has been modernized but still retains much of its original character.

In the early 20th century, the entire house was covered with wood shingle. A shed porch has also been added to the rear of the kitchen.

\* (#130 on the survey: Robinson House)

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**B. SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- Pre-Columbian       16th Century       18th Century       20th Century
- 15th Century       17th Century       19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) C. 1817 - 1820 and C. 1880

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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|---|---|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal<br><input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric<br><input type="checkbox"/> Historic<br><input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture<br><input type="checkbox"/> Art<br><input type="checkbox"/> Commerce<br><input type="checkbox"/> Communications<br><input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Education<br><input type="checkbox"/> Engineering<br><input type="checkbox"/> Industry<br><input type="checkbox"/> Invention<br><input type="checkbox"/> Landscape<br><input type="checkbox"/> Literature<br><input type="checkbox"/> Military<br><input type="checkbox"/> Music | <input type="checkbox"/> Political<br><input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy<br><input type="checkbox"/> Science<br><input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture<br><input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian<br><input type="checkbox"/> Theater<br><input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning<br><input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)<br><hr/><br><hr/><br><hr/><br><hr/><br><hr/> |
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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**9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

1. Martenet, Simon, Martenet's Map of Anne Arundel County, Maryland, No. 6 South Street, Baltimore, 1860
2. Hopkins, G. M., Atlas of Anne Arundel County, Maryland, 320 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, 1878.
3. Conversation with Mildred Smith, July 1975

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

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF ~~PROPERTY~~ PROPERTY: 3.23 acres

Acreage Justification:

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**11. FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME AND TITLE: <u>Amy Hiatt</u>		DATE: <u>August 1975</u>
ORGANIZATION: <u>Anne Arundel County Office Of Planning and Zoning</u>		
STREET AND NUMBER: <u>Arundel Center</u>		
CITY OR TOWN: <u>Annapolis</u>	STATE: <u>Maryland</u>	

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

Significance of this property is:

National  State  Local

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My Lord's Gift  
West elevation

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My Lord's Gift  
east elevation

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My Lord's Gift  
north elevation

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