

CAPSULE SUMMARY

BA 661

Dr. W.H.H. Campbell House

10912 Reisterstown Road

Owings Mills, Baltimore County

1870 ca.

Private

The Dr. W.H.H. Campbell House was constructed circa 1870 south of Reisterstown, at the intersection of Pleasant Hill Road and the Reisterstown Turnpike. Although Reisterstown was well established by the mid-19th century, this section of the turnpike was still only modestly developed. A mill, schoolhouse, chapel, tavern, and two stores were the only buildings other than a few dwellings scattered along the road. At time, Pleasant Hill Road had not yet been laid. The Dr. W.H.H. Campbell House might be the J. Morrow Store depicted in the 1850 county atlas, for the store appears to be sited on the same lot as the extant resource. No exterior architectural evidence exists to support or refute this possibility, however, and an intensive-level survey accompanied by deed research would help to verify an exact construction date for the dwelling. The Campbell House was certainly erected by 1877, for the county atlas indicates its presence in the vastly growing community. By 1915, J. Tase resided in the dwelling. Since the mid-20th century, several alterations to the structure have resulted in a considerable loss of historic fabric. The house now serves as an office and commercial building.

This vernacular building fronts north along Pleasant Hill Road at the intersection with Reisterstown Road. The grassy lot is surrounded by a low, stone retaining wall on two sides. The random rubble stone foundation supports a wood frame structure with vinyl siding. The building stands two stories tall and five bays wide with a side gable roof clad in asphalt shingles. The façade is pierced with eight 1/1 windows with vinyl sills and surrounds. The central bay, capped with a center gable, has a single-leaf entry with a flush wood door. Projecting to the south is a two-story ell that is three bays deep with a gable roof. A central interior chimney that has been rebuilt with brick pierces the roof crest of both the main block and the ell. Projecting to the east elevation is a one-story, three-sided bay. Additions to the main dwelling include a one-story projection to the west that connects with a porch that wraps to the south elevation. Also, a half-hipped portico was added on the façade to protect the entry. On the ell, a one-story gable addition projects to the south. Located to the west of the building is a front gable garage/office with asphalt shingles. Built on a poured concrete foundation, this circa 1970 structure is clad with vinyl siding.

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1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic Dr. W.H.H. Campbell House (preferred), Dr. Campbell House

other

2. Location

street and number 19012 Reisterstown Road not for publication

city, town Owings Mills vicinity

county Baltimore County

3. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name A & L LTD Partnership

street and number 10912 Reisterstown Road telephone Not Available

city, town Owings Mills state MD zip code 21117

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Baltimore County Courthouse liber 8502 folio 550

city, town Towson tax map 58 tax parcel 617 tax ID number 0418035772

5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- Contributing Resource in National Register District
 Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
 Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
 Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
 Recorded by HABS/HAER
 Historic Structure Report or Research Report at MHT
 Other: _____

6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function	Resource Count
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	Contributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	Noncontributing
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> defense	<input type="checkbox"/> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input type="checkbox"/> domestic	<input type="checkbox"/> sites
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> structures
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	<input type="checkbox"/> objects
		<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> Total
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care	
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry	
		<input type="checkbox"/> landscape	
		<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture	
		<input type="checkbox"/> religion	
		<input type="checkbox"/> social	
		<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	
		<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	
		<input type="checkbox"/> unknown	
		<input type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use	
		<input type="checkbox"/> other:	
			Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory
			<u>1</u>

7. Description

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Condition

excellent deteriorated
 good ruins
 fair altered

Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

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8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment/ recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 2000-	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> social history
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning		<input type="checkbox"/> maritime history	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation		<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

Specific dates _____ **Architect/Builder** Unknown

Construction dates _____

Evaluation for:
 National Register Maryland Register not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance projects, complete evaluation on a DOE Form – see manual.)

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The 18th century community of Reisterstown is named for John Reister, who settled “Reister’s Desire” in 1758. Shortly thereafter he laid out Reister’s Town Road, along which he established a tavern for travelers passing through on their way to Baltimore. Reisterstown was strategically located at the intersection of roads leading to Baltimore, Westminster, and Hanover, thus lending importance to the community as a turnpike town. In the 1810s, the condition of Reisterstown Road significantly improved when the Baltimore and Reisterstown Turnpike Company completed construction along the route.¹ By 1850, Reisterstown’s importance along the turnpike was evident by the considerable development of the community. Numerous buildings, including dwellings, taverns, and other commercial structures, were located along the Reisterstown Turnpike.² At that time, the town’s population had reached 500, and Reisterstown appeared slated for further growth.³ By 1881, the population had reached 600, and establishments in the town included one public school, three private schools, three seminaries, Catholic, Lutheran, and Methodist Episcopal churches, and several fraternal and

¹ Neal A. Brooks and Eric G. Rockel, *A History of Baltimore County* (Towson, MD: Friends of the Towson Library, Inc., 1979), pp. 49-50.
² J.C. Sidney, *Map of the City and County of Baltimore, Maryland, from Original Surveys* (Baltimore, MD: James M. Stephens, 1850).
³ Brooks and Rockel, p. 308.

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benevolent orders.⁴ By 1896, the population had reached 1,000.⁵ The 1915 county atlas indicates that further growth in the community slowed. By that time, the neighboring communities of Delight and Owings Mills began to expand on the south side of Reisterstown.⁶ Through the 20th century, the town has become a suburb of Baltimore City.

⁴ J. Thomas Scharf, *History of Baltimore City and County From the Earliest Period to the Present Day: Including Biographical Sketches of Their Representative Men* (Philadelphia, PA: Louis H. Everts, 1881. Reprinted by Higginson Book Company, Salem, MA), p. 855.

⁵ Brooks and Rockel, 308.

⁶ *Map of Baltimore County* (Philadelphia, PA: G. W. Bromley, 1915).

9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property .50 Acre
Acreage of historical setting Unknown
Quadrangle name Reisterstown Quadrangle scale: 1:24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification

Since its construction circa 1870, the Dr. W.H.H. Campbell House has been associated with the .5 acres of land known as tax parcel 617 of map 58 located in the Baltimore County Tax Assessor's office.

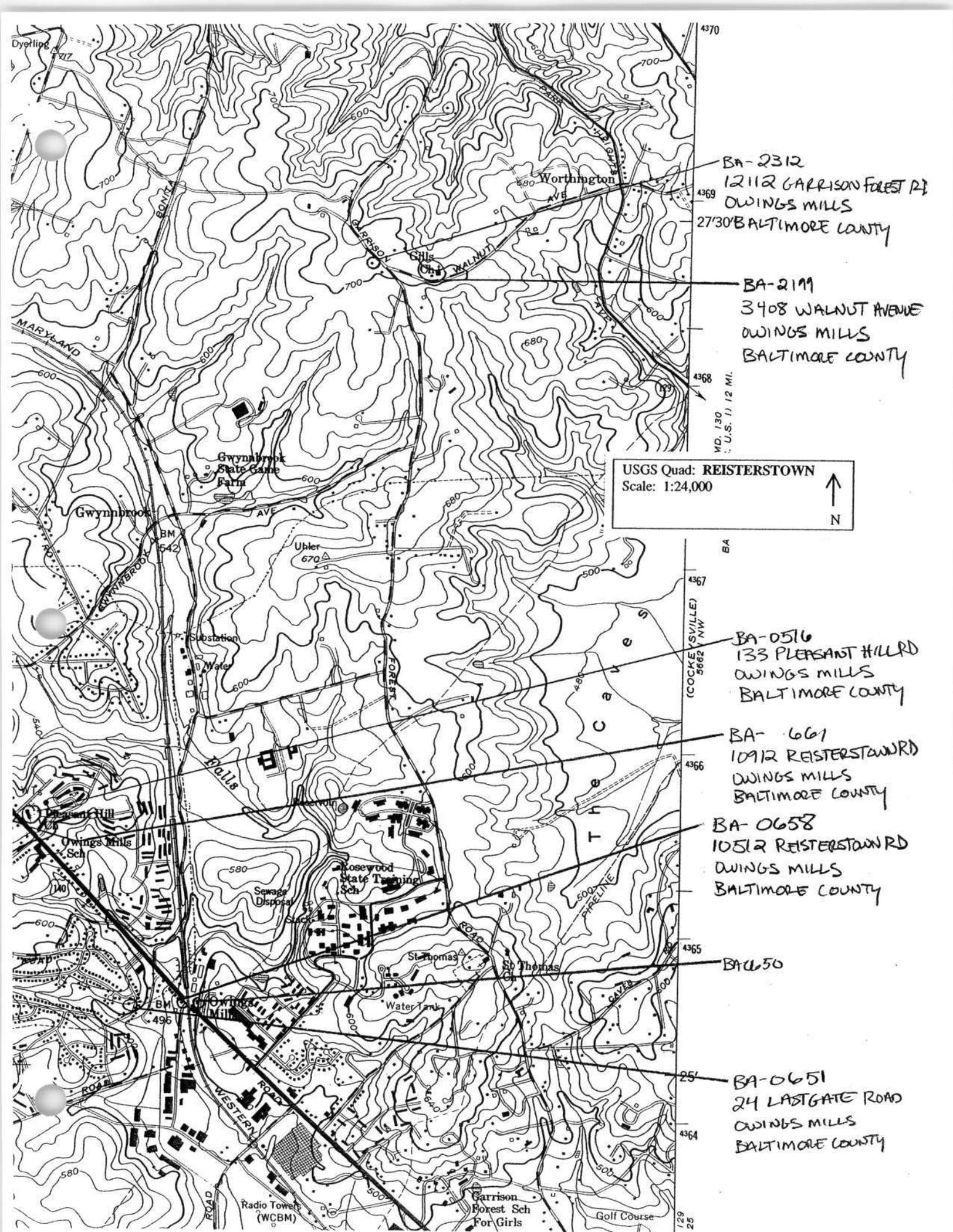
11. Form Prepared by

name/title	A. McDonald and A. Didden, Architectural Historians		
organization	EHT Tracerics, Incorporated	date	May 29, 2001
street & number	1121 5th Street NW	telephone	202.393.1199
city or town	Washington	state	DC

The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties 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.

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 12112 GARRISON FOREST RD
 OWINGS MILLS
 27°30' BALTIMORE COUNTY

BA-2191
 3408 WALNUT AVENUE
 OWINGS MILLS
 BALTIMORE COUNTY

USGS Quad: REISTERSTOWN
 Scale: 1:24,000



BA-0516
 133 PLEASANT HILL RD
 OWINGS MILLS
 BALTIMORE COUNTY

BA-661
 10912 REISTERSTOWN RD
 OWINGS MILLS
 BALTIMORE COUNTY

BA-0658
 10512 REISTERSTOWN RD
 OWINGS MILLS
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BA-0651
 24 LASTGATE ROAD
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SW CORNER

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Dr. Campbell House
10912 Reisterstown Road
SW corner w/ Pleasant Hill Road
Owings Mills

before 1877

This building is shown on the 1877 atlas as Dr. H.H. Campbell's and in 1898 as Dr. W.H.H. Campbell's. Bromley's 1915 atlas showed J. Tase as the owner. The 2 1/2-story clapboarded late Victorian frame house is painted light green. It has a gable roof with a cross-gable trimmed with bargeboards. This facade faces Pleasant Hill Road and serves as the architectural front. No such features face the main highway. The owner is listed as Richard F. Geohegan, Jr.