

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST  
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM**

NR Eligible: yes \_\_\_  
no \_\_\_

Property Name: James Barko House Inventory Number: BA-834

Address: NE corner, Falls road and Westrn Run Road City: Butler Zip Code: 21023

County: Baltimore County USGS Topographic Map: Hereford

Owner: \_\_\_\_\_ Is the property being evaluated a district? \_\_\_ yes

Tax Parcel Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Map Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Account ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Project: Butler Stone Quarry Agency: Federal Communications Commission

Site visit by MHT staff: X no \_\_\_ yes Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Is the property is located within a historic district? X yes \_\_\_ no

*If the property is within a district* District Inventory Number: BA-2214

NR-listed district X yes Eligible district \_\_\_ yes Name of District: Western Run - Belfast Road

Preparer's Recommendation: Contributing resource X yes \_\_\_ no Non-contributing but eligible in another context \_\_\_ yes

*If the property is not within a district (or the property is a district)* Preparer's Recommendation: Eligible X yes \_\_\_ no

Criteria: \_\_\_ A \_\_\_ B X C \_\_\_ D Considerations: \_\_\_ A \_\_\_ B \_\_\_ C \_\_\_ D \_\_\_ E \_\_\_ F \_\_\_ G \_\_\_ None

Documentation on the property/district is presented in:  
Maryland Historical Trust Library, Crownsville, Maryland

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

James Barko House was most recently observed and photographed in February, 2003. Its condition was largely unchanged since the preparation of the State Historic Sites Inventory Form in the library of the Maryland Historical Trust, dated September, 1976.

The property is described in the following documents located at the Maryland Historical Trust Library:

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form, by Catharine F. Black and James T. Wollon, Jr., September 1976.

The following observations were made during the visit to the property:

The James Barko house is a well-maintained example of mid 19th-Centruity residential architecture. It contributes to the character of the Butler community. The integrity of its design is intact and well-preserved. The property is considered eligible for registration under Criterion C: Design/Construction.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST REVIEW	
Eligibility recommended <u>X</u>	Eligibility not recommended ___
Criteria: <u>X</u> A ___ B <u>X</u> C ___ D	Considerations: ___ A ___ B ___ C ___ D ___ E ___ F ___ G ___ None
MHT Comments: <u>Contributes to NRHD</u>	
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services: <u>[Signature]</u>	Date: <u>6/11/03</u>
Reviewer, NR Program: <u>[Signature]</u>	Date: <u>6/20/03</u>

NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM

James Barko House

Inventory Number: BA-834

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Prepared by: William C. Riggs, RA

Date Prepared: 5/19/2003



**SITE VICINITY MAP**  
 Hereford Quadrangle, MD  
 (Dated 1991)  
 SCALE: As Shown



**Determination of Eligibility**  
 James Barko House (BA-834)  
 Falls Road and Western Run Road  
 Butler, Baltimore Co., Maryland 21023



BUTLER VILLAGE BA-834 ( 111 - BARK HOUSE )

BALTIMORE CO., MD

PHOTO BY J. SMITH

2/03

NEGATIVE LOG. : MD SHPO

Butler Village

BA-834

Butler, MD 21136

02-03



BUTLER VILLAGE EA-834 (JAMES BAILEY II #2)  
BALTIMORE Co., MD  
PHOTO BY: K. EUGEN  
2/03  
NEGATIVE LOG # MD 5490

Butler Village EA-834

Butler, MD 21136

02-03

James Barko House  
Northeast corner of Falls and  
Western Run Roads  
Not accessible  
Date: ca. 1870-1880

The James Barko House is a mid-19th century house, two stories in height. It is a simple rendition of a house based on mid-19th century published designs by Downing, Davis, Vaux, Ranlett, etc. Dating back to the 1870's, this house was originally owned by Dr. Frank England. The entire house is covered by German siding and, in size, is typical of houses in villages, small towns, or on small farms.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

BA 834  
Map # 0308345504

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

James Barko House

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

Northeast corner of Falls and Western Run Roads

CITY, TOWN

Butler

— VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

5

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Baltimore

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

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

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

James Barko

Telephone #: unlisted

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Butler

— VICINITY OF

Maryland

STATE, zip code

21023

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Baltimore County Courthouse

Liber #: 4944

Folio #: 111

STREET & NUMBER

Washington Avenue

CITY, TOWN

Towson

STATE  
Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

None

DATE

— FEDERAL    — STATE    — COUNTY    — LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

# 7 DESCRIPTION

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
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		DATE _____

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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Barko House is a mid-19th century frame house, two stories in height. Its principle front is to the south and a north wing extends behind the east end. Centered on the south front is a gable with a jig-sawn verge board continuing the pattern of the south fascia; the gable ends of the house do not have this decoration but the wide roof overhang suggests its probable former existence.

The principle entrance is centered on the south front and it consists of a door with sidelights and transom. In the central bay above is a tripartite window and it consists of a wide 4/4 window flanked by extremely narrow 2/2 windows; a wide pair of louvered blinds flanks the tripartite window. Typical windows in other bays are 4/6 in the first story, 4/4 in the second and all have louvered blinds. The west interior end chimney is of brick, paneled; the east interior end chimney is of recent construction but it probably matched its western counterpart.

A gable is in the west roof of the rear wing which covers two of the main house's three bays, and two stories of porches cover the west side of the wing.

A small one-story shed-roofed porch shelters the principal entrance but a porch once extended across the entire south front. The outline of a rail on the corner boards suggests it may have had a flat roof, edged with a railing.

The entire house is covered with German siding, that of the main house being of several different widths.

The interior of this house was not examined.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

# 8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES  
unknown

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The James Barko house, located on the northeast side of the intersection of Falls and Western Run Roads, dates from the 1870's when it was owned by Dr. Frank England.

Nearby, Dr. England also had a saw mill and an ice house. The latter is still standing on the property adjoining this house to the east. It has had various uses, including that of an ice cream parlor, but is now a single family dwelling.

**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Hopkins, G.M. Atlas of Baltimore County, Maryland. (Philadelphia, 1877).

Baltimore County Tax Records, 1876, 1896.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 1.62 acres

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE COUNTY

STATE COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

Catherine F. Black and James T. Wollon, AIA

ORGANIZATION

for Valleys Historical District Committee

DATE

September 1, 1976

STREET & NUMBER

1114 Bellemore Road

TELEPHONE

323-3798

CITY OR TOWN

baltimore

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

 <b>Maryland Department of Assessments and Taxation</b> <b>BALTIMORE COUNTY</b> <b>Real Property Data Search</b>	<a href="#">Go Back</a> <a href="#">View Map</a> <a href="#">New Search</a>
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**Account Identifier:** District - 05 **Account Number -** 2200022217

<b>Owner Information</b>
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<b>Owner Name:</b> MICHEL MARY C  <b>Mailing Address:</b> 2300 WESTERN RUN RD BUTLER MD 21033	<b>Use:</b> RESIDENTIAL <b>Principal Residence:</b> YES  <b>Deed Reference:</b> 1) /10912/ 191 2)
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<b>Location &amp; Structure Information</b>
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<b>Premises Address</b> 2300 WESTERN RUN RD	<b>Zoning</b>	<b>Legal Description</b> 1.002 AC 2300 WESTERN RUN RD NES W COR BELFAST RD
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Map	Grid	Parcel	Sub District	Subdivision	Section	Block	Lot	Group	Plat No:
33	8	158						81	Plat Ref:

Special Tax Areas	Town Ad Valorem Tax Class
Primary Structure Built	Enclosed Area

1902	1,800 SF	Property Land Area	County Use
		1.52 AC	04

Stories	Basement	Type	Exterior
1 1/2	YES	STANDARD UNIT	BRICK

<b>Value Information</b>
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	Base Value	Phase-in Assessments		
		Value As Of	As Of	As Of
		01/01/2002	07/01/2003	07/01/2004
<b>Land:</b>	73,640	73,640		
<b>Improvements:</b>	119,590	113,340		
<b>Total:</b>	193,230	186,980	186,980	186,980
<b>Preferential Land:</b>	0	0	0	0

<b>Transfer Information</b>
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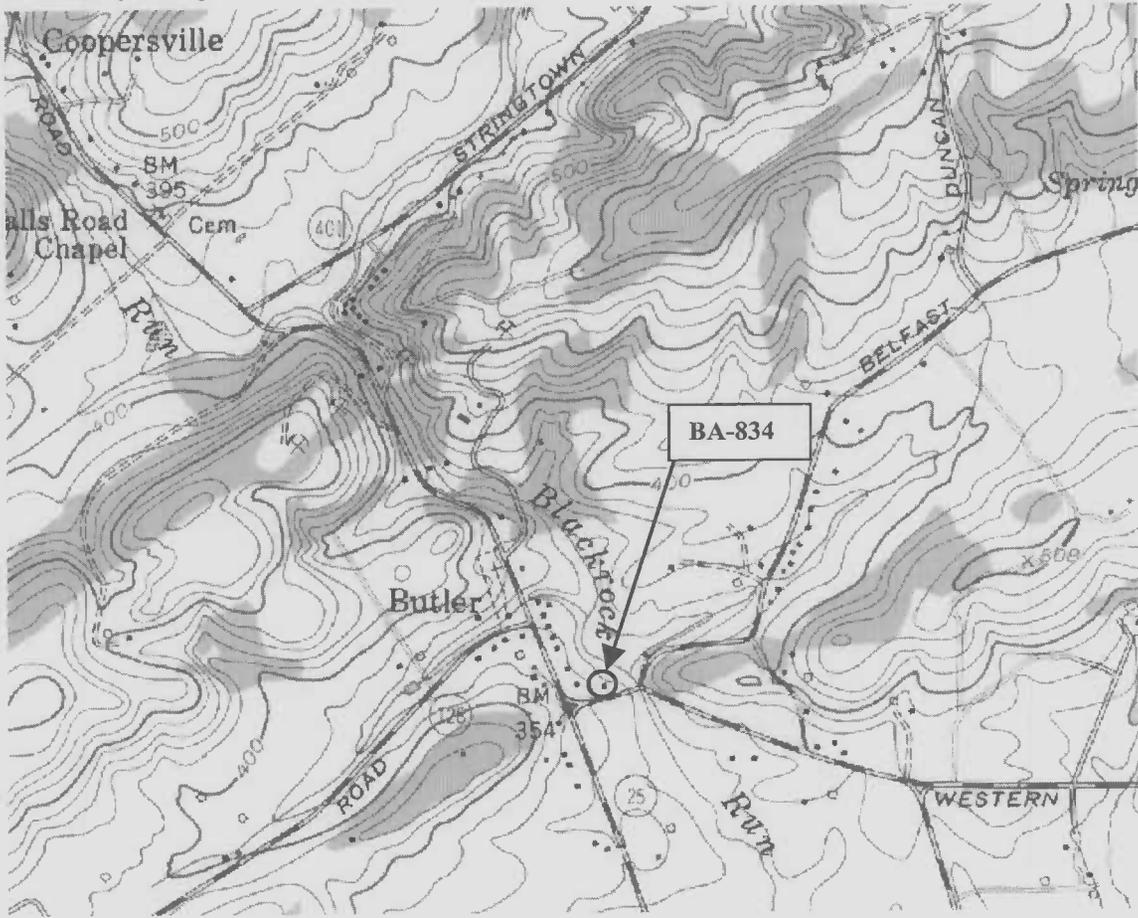
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<b>Type:</b>	<b>Deed1:</b>	<b>Deed2:</b>

<b>Exemption Information</b>
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Partial Exempt Assessments	Class	07/01/2003	07/01/2004
County	000	0	0
State	000	0	0
Municipal	000	0	0

<b>Tax Exempt:</b> NO	<b>Special Tax Recapture:</b>
<b>Exempt Class:</b>	* NONE *

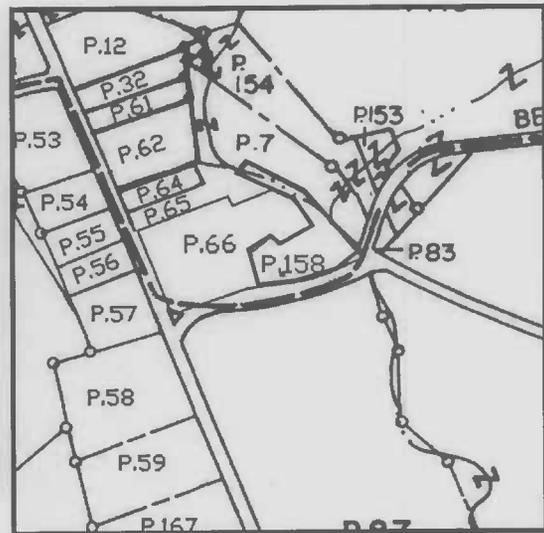
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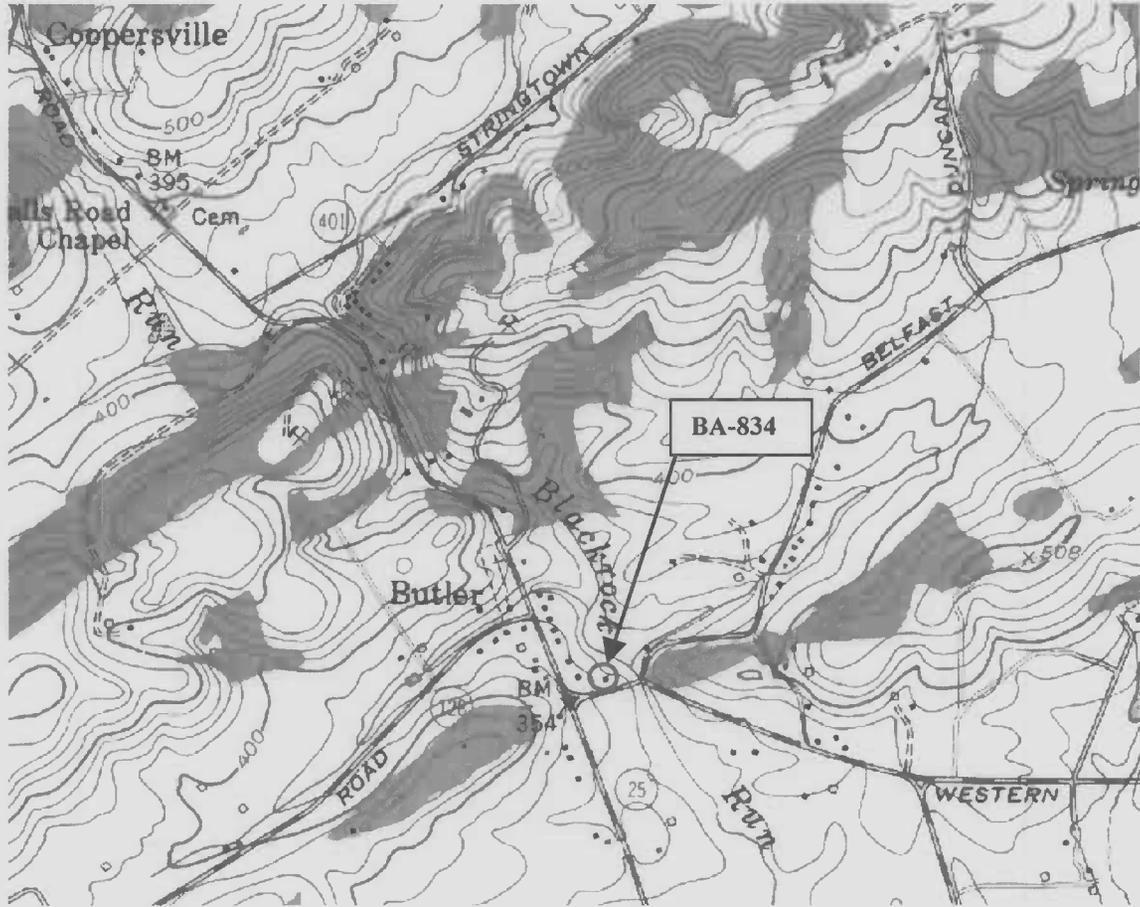
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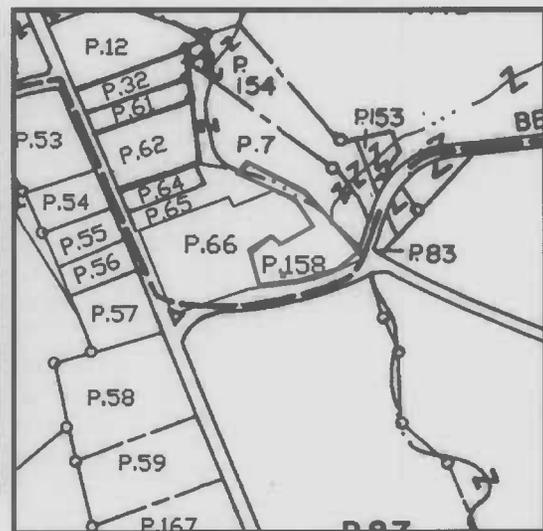
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JAMES BARKO HOUSE

Jim Wollan

1978

