

BA 1616
Clifford White House
Owings Mills
private

c. 1910

The WHITE HOUSE is a small early twentieth century house of the Queen Anne style, its construction for a black family unusually stylish and well documented by the original construction ink drawings on linen entitled and dated as a residence for

Mr. C.S. Diggs
Eccleston, Md.
3/26/10

the present owner's father.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

The Clifford White House

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

2626 Green Spring Valley Road

second

CITY, TOWN

Owings Mills, Md 21117

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

--- VICINITY OF Chattolanee

Baltimore

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

- DISTRICT
- BUILDING(S)
- STRUCTURE
- SITE
- OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

- PUBLIC
- PRIVATE
- BOTH
- PUBLIC ACQUISITION**
- IN PROCESS
- BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

- OCCUPIED
- UNOCCUPIED
- WORK IN PROGRESS
- ACCESSIBLE**
- YES: RESTRICTED
- YES: UNRESTRICTED
- NO

PRESENT USE

- AGRICULTURE
- MUSEUM
- COMMERCIAL
- PARK
- EDUCATIONAL
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- ENTERTAINMENT
- RELIGIOUS
- GOVERNMENT
- SCIENTIFIC
- INDUSTRIAL
- TRANSPORTATION
- MILITARY
- OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME Virginia T. White

Telephone #: 363-0187

STREET & NUMBER

2626 Green Spring Valley Road

CITY, TOWN

Owings Mills, Md

--- VICINITY OF Chattolanee

STATE, zip code
 Md. 21117

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
 REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Baltimore County Court House

Liber #: 5219

Folio #: 481

STREET & NUMBER

401 Bosley Avenue

CITY, TOWN

Towson, Md.

STATE

Md. 21204

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED	DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED			
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED				

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The WHITE HOUSE is a two storey frame house dating from ca. 1910. Facing south, its exterior walls are covered with wood shingles. The house is approximately square and a steep gable is in the front and rear roof. A one-storey porch extends across the south front which is three bays in width with the door in the west edge of the central bay. Its transom is filled with leaded glass in elongated diamonds. Flanking windows have short upper sashes filled with leaded glass in an elongated diamond pattern; the taller lower sash have a single light. The central bay in the second storey is void of openings. Windows in the end bays are doubled 1/1 and all windows have louvred blinds. The arched window high in the central gable is 9/1. The other facades are similar with an irregular pattern of 1/1 windows, sometimes doubled. A bay window projects from the east side near the northeast corner and a window at mid-wall height in the west facade expresses the staircase within. The attic window in all facades is an arched 9/1.

Internally are four spaces, all approximately square, all retaining their original details. The entrance and stair hall is in the southwest corner, the living room is in the southeast corner, the dining room is in the northeast corner and the kitchen is in the northwest corner. Sliding doors separate the hall from the living room and a pair of glazed doors separates the living room from the dining room. Corner fireplaces are diagonally adjacent in the living and dining rooms, served by a single chimney near the middle of the house. Both retain original mantels with routed pilasters supporting an entablature shelf. Throughout the house the original chestnut trim is painted. The principal stair rises open against the west wall, its massive paneled newel and square balusters rising above a closed string supporting a moulded rail; an urn finial tops the newels. The second floor plan is similar with a small hall at the middle of the house serving the bedrooms and details are simpler.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

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

SPECIFIC DATES 1910

BUILDER/ARCHITECT Isabel Johnson

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Clifford White House was built by Charles Seymore Diggs in 1910.¹ The plans for the house were drawn by Isabel Johnson for the present owners father and remain in the house as ink drawings on linen entitled and dated as a residence for

Mr. C.S. Diggs
Eccleston Md.
5/26/10

The house is a small early twentieth century house of the Queen Anne style. The stone used for the foundation was quarried on the Shoemaker estate (Burnside Ba# 153) nearby. Brass carriage lamps from Mr. White's grandfather's barber shop are installed over the dining room mantel. Another is the leaded upper glass panes in the front windows. For the kindness and care given both parents by Clifford White, he shares in the ownership of the property equally with his wife, Virginia Diggs White. The house has had no alterations. Original brown shingles remain, having been stained only once in 70 years.²

¹ Baltimore County Land Records Liber 5219 folio 481

² Conversation with Virginia White on March 3, 1980

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 0.9 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

James T. Wollon, Jr. A.I.A., Leona North, Research Historian

ORGANIZATION
Valleys Planning Council

DATE
3/2/80

STREET & NUMBER
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CITY OR TOWN
Towson

STATE
Maryland 21204

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