

**Maryland Historical Trust  
State Historic Sites Inventory Form**

Survey No. BA 2221  
Magi No. 03-2221-54-04  
DOE   yes   no

**1. Name** (indicate preferred name)

historic  
and/or common Lawrence Cornes House

**2. Location**

street & number 11904 Woodberry Place    not for publication  
city, town Franklinville    vicinity of    congressional district 11  
state Maryland county Baltimore

**3. Classification**

<b>Category</b>	<b>Ownership</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Present Use</b>
<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"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

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

name Mr. Lawrence W. Cornes  
street & number 11904 Woodberry Place telephone no.:     
city, town Franklinville state and zip code Md. 21807

**5. Location of Legal Description**

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Towson New Courts Building, Land Records liber -  
street & number Bosley Avenue folio -  
city, town Towson Maryland state 21204

**6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys**

title N/A  
   federal    state    county    local  
depository for survey records     
city, town    state

# 7. Description

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**Condition**

excellent  
 good  
 fair

deteriorated  
 ruins  
 unexposed

**Check one**

unaltered  
 altered

**Check one**

original site  
 moved      date of move \_\_\_\_\_

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

The Lawrence Cornes House sits on the northeast corner of the intersection of Maple Drive and Woodberry Place, one house in from the corner itself, in the town of Franklinville. The house is a four bay, two story frame dwelling, with a gable end roof running east-west, currently covered with modern siding, and roofed with asbestos shingles. A centrally-located large chimney exits south of the ridge. The house sits on a high, uncoursed, fieldstone foundation; its construction, called "bank-house", having been adapted to fit the slope of the hill on which it was built. The south or main facade has four bays on the first level—from east to west, door, window, window, door. The easternmost door is the present entrance, cement steps lead up to both doors. The two windows are six-over-six sash, evenly placed; four similar ones vent the second story. The west facade is blind. The north facade, built into a bank, has four bays—a door at each end, with two six-over-six sash windows between. The second level has four evenly placed four-over-four sash windows, the upper level, two one-over-one sash windows. The eastern facade is blind.

The first and second floor plans are the same—two rooms on each floor, with a circular central staircase (enclosed) from which two doors open into each room. The house has been remodeled to some extent, but the original wide floor boards are visible in places. The basement is in its original condition, two fireplaces (now bricked in) suggest it was once used as a kitchen.

# 8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below		
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
			<input type="checkbox"/> science
			<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
			<input type="checkbox"/> social/
			<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
			<input type="checkbox"/> theater
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

**Specific dates** \_\_\_\_\_ **Builder/Architect** \_\_\_\_\_

check: Applicable Criteria:  A  B  C  D  
and/or

Applicable Exception:  A  B  C  D  E  F  G

Level of Significance:  national  state  local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

This Franklinville mill-worker's house represents an example of a company-owned mill town community, planned and built by the company, and arranged so that several groups of people could live together in the same house. The houses of Woodberry place are represented on a petition for a new road through the town, dating from 1833. The Cornes house was probably built a year or so before its mention here. The houses and the mill which owned them created a closed community, closely resembling the many similar mill-towns which operated along the Eastern seaboard during the early to mid nineteenth century. Operating under various names, a mill had been on the site since the early 1800's. An 1882 transfer book specifically lists the number and style of the mill-workers houses. "twelve double-frame houses"-450 dollars each. The 1857 Taylor map shows the houses in Franklinville that were on Woodberry Place but not those on Maple Drive, thus setting the date for Maple Drive somewhere between 1857 and the Hopkins Map date of 1877, where the Maple Drive houses do appear.

**CHAIN OF TITLE**

While there is no deed available, the grantee-grantor index for 1929-1940 lists the property as having been purchased directly from MT . Vernon Woodberry by Mr. Cornes in 1930.

(See Enclosed Forms for Details of Earlier Town History)

# 9. Major Bibliographical References

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Baltimore County Land Records Transfer Books, 1882-1911  
Records of the Commissioners Liber I, Folio 89-90  
Plat Book 9, Folio 65 Grantor- Grantee Index 1929-1940

# 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property .34 acres

Quadrangle name White Marsh

Quadrangle scale

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

A	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	B	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	Zone	Easting	Northing		Zone	Easting	Northing
C	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	D	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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G	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	H	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Verbal boundary description and justification Northeast end of Woodberry Place and Maple Drive, one house in from corner. Town of Franklinville. On old plats, known as lots 5 and 7.

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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# 11. Form Prepared By

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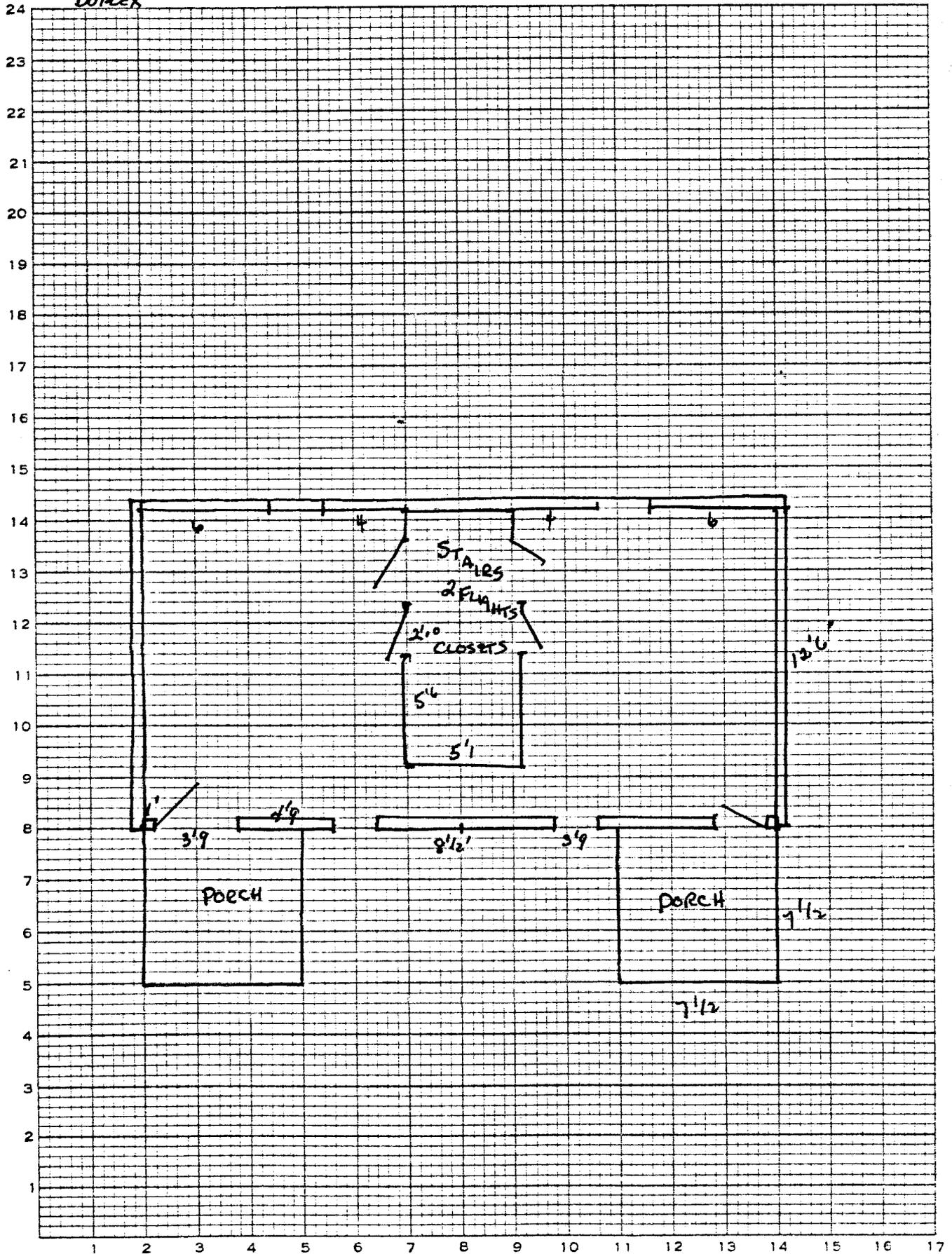
city or town Towson state Maryland

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.

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