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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

NOMINATION FORM
for the
NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

1. NAME

COMMON: Gerry * ~~House~~ - Westerfield House

AND/OR HISTORIC: "Gerry House"

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: (now 18) 16 South Main Street west side, near Jacob Tome Memorial Highway

CITY OR TOWN: Port Deposit

STATE: Maryland | COUNTY: Cecil

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP		STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
☐ District ☑ Building ☐ Site ☐ Structure ☐ Object	☐ Public ☑ Private ☐ Both	Public Acquisition: ☐ In Process ☐ Being Considered	☑ Occupied ☐ Unoccupied ☐ Preservation work in progress	Yes: ☑ Restricted ☐ Unrestricted ☐ No

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

☐ Agricultural ☐ Government ☐ Park ☐ Transportation ☐ Comments
☐ Commercial ☐ Industrial ☑ Private Residence ☐ Other (Specify)
☐ Educational ☐ Military ☐ Religious
☐ Entertainment ☐ Museum ☐ Scientific

also vacant commercial

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME: Janette Westerfield

STREET AND NUMBER: 16 S. Main St

CITY OR TOWN: Port Deposit | STATE: Md 21904

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC: Clerk of Circuit Court

STREET AND NUMBER: Country Courthouse

CITY OR TOWN: Elkton | STATE: Md 21921

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:

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One) ☐ Excellent ☐ Good ☑ Fair ☐ Deteriorated ☐ Ruins ☐ Unexposed	
	(Check One) ☑ Altered ☐ Unaltered	(Check One) ☐ Moved ☑ Original Site

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (*if known*) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This fine center hall stone masonry house stands close to Main Street and is marred on the ~~original~~ floor by an enclosure for a shop, now vacant. Above this is a splendid wrought iron two-story porch with the wheat-sheaf motif centered in each panel.

Five bays by 2 with an wing running east along the south wall 3 bays by 1, the house faces west, 2 ½ stories over a full, lighted basement. The pitched roof ridgeline runs north-south, while two chimneys rise flush with the end walls from heating fireplaces on each floor. ~~[illegible]~~

The front porch has a variety of columns and the wrought iron railing is similar but varied on the first and second floors except for the wheat-sheaf motif found in the center of each panel. On the ground floor the columns are 9" square granite posts, on the first floor

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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD *(Check One or More as Appropriate)*

- [ ] Pre-Columbian
- [ ] 15th Century
- [ ] 16th Century
- [ ] 17th Century
- [ ] 18th Century
- [x] 19th Century
- [ ] 20th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) *(If Applicable and Known)* 1813

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE *(Check One or More as Appropriate)*

- Aboriginal
  - [ ] Prehistoric
  - [ ] Historic
- [ ] Agriculture
- [x] Architecture
- [ ] Art
- [ ] Commerce
- [ ] Communications
- [ ] Conservation
- [ ] Education
- [ ] Engineering
- [ ] Industry
- [ ] Invention
- [ ] Landscape Architecture
- [ ] Literature
- [x] Military
- [ ] Music
- [ ] Political
- [ ] Religion/Philosophy
- [ ] Science
- [ ] Sculpture
- [ ] Social/Humanitarian
- [ ] Theater
- [ ] Transportation
- [ ] Urban Planning
- [ ] Other *(Specify)*

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Gerry house* was built in 1813, and has remained in the same family. Miss Westerfield works in the bank, two doors away, founded by her grandfather Cornelius Smith. The wrought iron porch was added by him in 1850.

Lafayette, on his triumphal return visit to America, visited this house in 1824.

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stone columns are Doric, second floor, Ionic. Windows on the first floor have 9 lights on b, elsewhere 6/6. The front door has a 5 light transom and lights beside the 6 panelled door.

*pronounced with a hard G.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Interview. Janette Westerfield at her office 3/73 by SSZ.
Miller, Alice E. Cecil County Maryland. C & L. Printing & Specialty Co. Elkton MD. 1949. p. 122-124, 128-9.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY							OR	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES					
CORNER	LATITUDE			LONGITUDE				LATITUDE			LONGITUDE		
	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds		Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds
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NE	°	'	"	°	'	"							
SE	°	'	"	°	'	"							
SW	°	'	"	°	'	"							

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreage Justification:

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

STATE:		COUNTY	
STATE:		COUNTY:	
STATE:		COUNTY:	
STATE:		COUNTY:	

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: JEAN S. EWING

ORGANIZATION: MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

DATE:

STREET AND NUMBER: 2525 RIVA ROAD

CITY OR TOWN: ANNAPOLIS STATE: MARYLAND

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

Significance of this property is:

National ☐ State ☐ Local ☐

Signature

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Gerry House

(now 18)
16 S. Main St. West side
Port Deposit

Built in 1813 · willed to Mr. Lucius Gerry in 1858 by Mr. Cornelius Smith
Lafayette was entertained here in 1824
Sold by Miss Jeanette Westerfield to the Port Deposit Heritage Corporation

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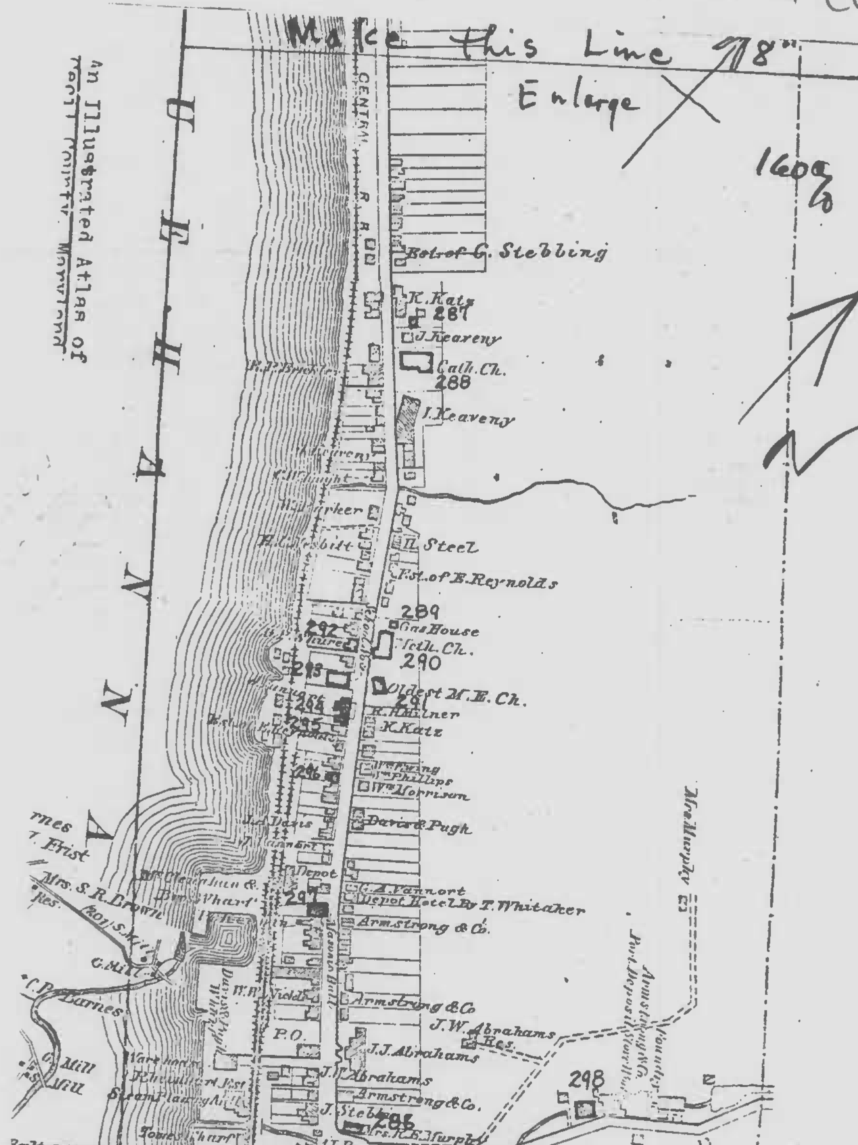

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Gerry Westerfield House, Port Deposit MSE 5/73

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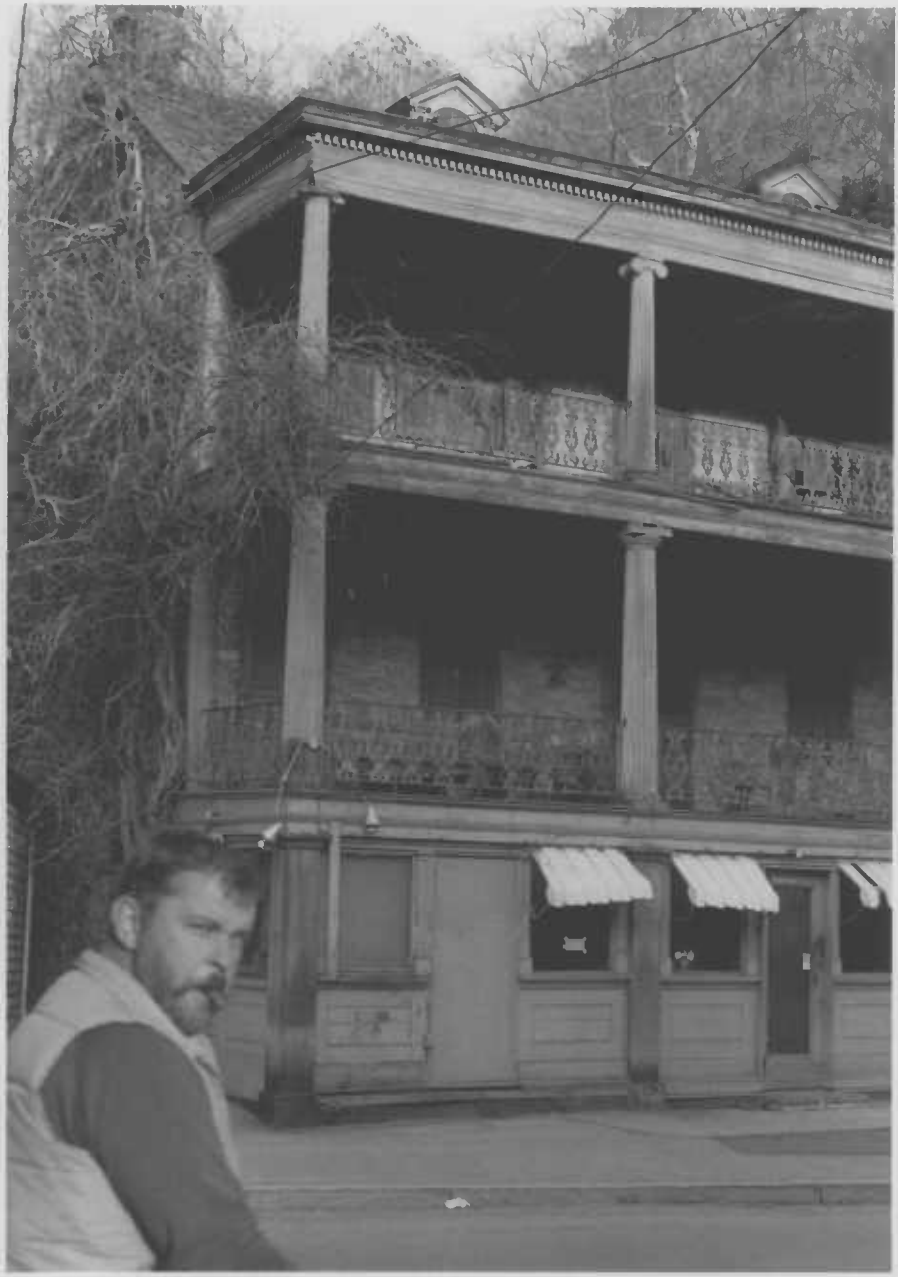

Gerry-Westerfield House CE-271
West Elevation
Port Deposit
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