

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC "CHARLES WINFIELD BAKER HOUSE"

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

603 W. Bel Air Avenue

First

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Aberdeen, Maryland 21001

VICINITY OF

Harford

STATE

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

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Mrs. Janina Johnson

Telephone #: Not Listed

STREET & NUMBER

603 W. Bel Air Avenue

CITY, TOWN

STATE, zip code

Aberdeen, Md. 21001

VICINITY OF

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, Harford County Court House
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Registry of Deeds

Liber #: 1146/36
Folio #: #

STREET & NUMBER

Bel Air, Md. 21014

CITY, TOWN

STATE

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

NONE KNOWN EXCEPT AS LISTED IN SUPRA 5

DATE

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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| CONDITION | | CHECK ONE | CHECK ONE |
|--|---------------------------------------|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT | <input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED | <input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD | <input type="checkbox"/> RUINS | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED | <input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> FAIR | <input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED | | |

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

- L 1146/36 P.661 1.18A Date: Aug. 28, 1980 Grantor: Linda Marie Johnson
Grantees: Janina Johnson, Daniel G. Jandon & Andre Jandon
as tenants in common. "her interest in that parcel of ground conveyed by deed
Sept. 6, 1979 from Wm. E. Derbyshire, Jr. & Michael R. Derbyshire" (no monetary)
- L 1104/402 Date Sept. 6, 1979 Grantors: Wm. E. Derbyshire, Jr. & Michael R. Derbyshire
Grantees, Janina Johnson, Linda Marie Johnson, Daniel G. Jandon and Andre Jandon
Sum of \$62,000.
- L 1063/776 Date: May 4, 1978 Grantors: Clark D. Connellee and Anne C. Connellee
Grantors: Wm. E. Derbyshire and Michael R. Derbyshire as joint tenants.
- L 656/648 Date Sept. 14, 1964 Grantors: Raymond E. Carter and Maurine W. Carter
Grantees: Clark D. Connellee and Anne C. Connellee, description of property of
1.82 acres on this page.
- L 632/468 Date Oct. 14, 1963 Grantors: Marjorie R. Breidenbach (trading as
Breidenbach Realty Co., Inc.) and Harold I. Breidenbach.
Grantees: Raymond E. Carter and Maurine W. Carter - same description as above.
This part of a parcel of land described in a deed from P. Tevis Baker and Frank E.
Baker, executors, to Frank E. Baker dated Sept. 4, 1919 and recorded in the
land records in L 164/442.
- L 420/366 Dated Sept. 18, 1954 Grantor: Breidenbach Realty Co., Inc.
Grantee: Marjorie R. Breidenbach, trading as Breidenbach Realty Co., Inc.
- L 384/398 Dated Oct. 31, 1952 Grantors: Fay E. J. Carey & Doris M. Carey
Grantees: Breidenbach Realty Co., Inc.
- L. 356/236 Dated May 3, 1951 Grantors: Frank E. Baker & Edythe A. Baker
Grantees: Fay E. J. Carey and Doris M. Carey
- L 302/109 (changes survey measurements) Dated Dec. 30, 1946
Grantors: Frank E. Baker and Edythe A. Baker Grantee: Thomas A. Kinnamon
- L 164/442 Dated Sept 4, 1919 Grantors: P. Tevis Baker & Frank E. Baker,
executors of Charles W. Baker. Grantee: Frank E. Baker parcels of land and buildings.
- L 164/301 Dated July 28, 1919 Grantors: P. Tevis Baker & Frank E. Baker
Grantee: Morgan Mitchell - Land and buildings thereon constituting the Aberdeen
Canning House of Chas. W. Baker. (Further ref. to previous sale of this property
not found) In 1893, two records of sales to the Baker family from the Aberdeen
Land Improvement Co. are listed.
- L 79/239 Dated May 13, 1893, Aberdeen Land and Improvement Co. granted to Wm. B.
Baker and James B. Baker 61 acres approx. with improvements. On this land, these
two men built the two large houses on the southside of Bel Air Ave. in 1896.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

| 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"/> RELIGION |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 100-1499 | <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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899 | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE | <input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT | <input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY | <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION |
| <input 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

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE The Bakers of Aberdeen, descendants of a colonial era Nicholas Baker, were perhaps the most prominent family in the Aberdeen area in the late nineteenth and early twentieth century. They were leaders in the canning industry, in government, the Methodist Episcopal Church, farming, baking and real estate. They built imposing Victorian residences in Aberdeen and established the local cemetery which bears the family name and contains a number of large monuments to mark their own final resting places. ("The Baker Family of Aberdeen" by Jon Harlan Livezey, Harford Historical Bulletin No. 16)

The lots of Charles W. (this), James B. (451 W. Bel Air Ave) and William B. Baker were purchased in 1893 from the Aberdeen Land and Improvement Co. (Liber WSF 75, Folio 424) and all three houses were built soon thereafter.

The "Charles W. Baker" house is located on the SW corner of W. Bel Air Ave. and Paradise Road. Its multiplaned roof, juxtaposition of shapes and textures and symmetrical lighting arrangement characterize the Queen Anne style of the 19th century. The house rests behind a wrought iron fence with intermittent granite stone posts. The two entrance gates no doubt permitted easy access and egress around the circular drive just east of the house. Once the focal point of a prosperous farm with various outbuildings, this massive residence now dwarfs the two remaining outbuildings located to the north. A third building, a large barn located on the east side of Paradise Road, is believed by the present owner of the Baker house to have been converted to a house many years ago. Though technically a two story house, its hipped roof, wall dormers and gabled end and shed roof extensions allow for a third level living arrangement.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

"OUR HARFORD HERITAGE" by C. Milton Wright, publ. French Bay Publ.Co., 1980.

"Harford Historical Bulletin, No. 16
The Historical Soc. of Harford County, Inc. - Spring 1983

"History of Aberdeen" by Richard F. Cronin, 1953

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY .71 acres

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

| | |
|-----------------|----------------|
| STATE | COUNTY |
| <u>MARYLAND</u> | <u>HARFORD</u> |
| STATE | COUNTY |

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

ABERDEEN HISTORIC SURVEY/RESTORATION COMMITTEE

July 12, 1983

ORGANIZATION

DATE

ABERDEEN TOWN COUNCIL

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

ABERDEEN, MD. 21001

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

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

DESCRIPTION - 603 W. Bel Air Avenue, Baker - cont'd.

L 75/424 Dated 1893, for \$1,020 the Aberdeen Land and Improvement Co. sold to Charles W. Baker and James B. Baker four parcels of land #4,5,6,7 in Square 11.

Perhaps this is the land on which Charles W. Baker built his house.

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N. R. FIELD SHEET

H#1 785

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| STATE: | |
| COUNTY: | |
| FOR NPS USE ONLY | |
| ENTRY NUMBER | DATE |

MD. HISTORICAL TRUST
BOX 1704
ANNAPOLIS, MD. 21404

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM**

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

1. NAME

COMMON: Cannelle - Baker house

AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: Northwest corner, Paradise Road ^{MD 162}

CITY OR TOWN: Aberdeen Bel Air Ave
(Md 22)

STATE: Maryland CODE: COUNTY: Harford CODE:

3. CLASSIFICATION

| CATEGORY (Check One) | OWNERSHIP | STATUS | ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC |
|--|---|---|---|
| District <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Public <input type="checkbox"/> | Occupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input type="checkbox"/> | Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bath <input type="checkbox"/> | In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered <input type="checkbox"/> | Restricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No: <input type="checkbox"/> |
| PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate) | | | |
| Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> | Government <input type="checkbox"/> | Park <input type="checkbox"/> | Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Comments <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> | Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> | Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> | Other (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Educational <input type="checkbox"/> | Military <input type="checkbox"/> | Religious <input type="checkbox"/> | <u>Rental housing</u> |
| Entertainment <input type="checkbox"/> | Museum <input type="checkbox"/> | Scientific <input type="checkbox"/> | |

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNERS NAME: Clark Cannelle

STREET AND NUMBER: Dakington Road

CITY OR TOWN: Aberdeen 21001 STATE: Md CODE:

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: STATE: CODE:

ACREAGE

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

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: CODE:

STATE:
COUNTY:
ENTRY NUMBER
DATE
FOR NPS USE ONLY

7. DESCRIPTION

| | | | | | | |
|-----------|---|--|--------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| CONDITION | (Check One) | | | | | |
| | Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> | Good <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Fair <input type="checkbox"/> | Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/> | Ruins <input type="checkbox"/> | Unexposed <input type="checkbox"/> |
| INTEGRITY | (Check One) | | | (Check One) | | |
| | Altered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Unaltered <input type="checkbox"/> | Moved <input type="checkbox"/> | Original Site <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | | |

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This huge frame mansion, clapboard and shingle covered, has an intricate free floor plan, not bound by symmetry, the need for small cells to heat by fireplace since the house had central heat. Facing south, a fancy porch shelters the south and east sides, first floor. 2 1/2 stories, the house has Tiffany glass ~~windows~~ lights beside the doorways downstairs. The most notable feature of the house, perhaps, is the heavy copper & cocks comb decoration along the ridge line of the roof, running north-south.

4. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Pre-Columbian 16th Century 18th Century 20th Century
 15th Century 17th Century 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> | Education | <input type="checkbox"/> | Political | <input type="checkbox"/> | Urban Planning | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> | Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> | Religion/Phi- | <input type="checkbox"/> | Other (Specify) | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> | <u>Industry</u> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | lasaphy | <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ | |
| <u>Agriculture</u> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> | Science | <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ | |
| Art | <input type="checkbox"/> | Landscape | <input type="checkbox"/> | Sculpture | <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ | |
| Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> | Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> | Social/Human- | <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ | |
| Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> | Literature | <input type="checkbox"/> | itarian | <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ | |
| Conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> | Military | <input type="checkbox"/> | Theater | <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ | |
| Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> | Music | <input type="checkbox"/> | Transportation | <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ | |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Include Personages, Dates, Events, Etc.)

The largest and grandest of the Baker family houses, its builder Charles W Baker had a successful country business and over 2000 acres of farmland supplying it, before he inherited ^{his share of} ~~his~~ father's George W Baker's brokerage business and fortune

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Interview with Mr. Paul Taylor, Kansas at site 6/10/71
 The Payson Quarterly, pp. 65-71

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

| LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY | | | O R | LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN ONE ACRE | | |
|--|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------|--|-------------------------|--|
| CORNER | LATITUDE | LONGITUDE | | LATITUDE | LONGITUDE | |
| | Degrees Minutes Seconds | Degrees Minutes Seconds | | Degrees Minutes Seconds | Degrees Minutes Seconds | |
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LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

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| STATE: | COOE | COUNTY | COOE |
| STATE: | COOE | COUNTY: | COOE |
| STATE: | COOE | COUNTY: | COOE |
| STATE: | COOE | COUNTY: | COOE |

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: _____

ORGANIZATION _____ DATE _____

STREET AND NUMBER: _____

CITY OR TOWN: _____ STATE _____ COOE _____

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National State Local

Name _____

Title _____

Date _____

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

 Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date _____

ATTEST:

 Keeper of The National Register

Date _____



Survey # HA-785
603 W. Bel Air Ave.
Back and Side
South
Gloria Kaminski
May 1983



Survey # HA-785
603 W. Bel Air Ave.
Front and Side
North
Gloria Kaminski
May 1983