

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

William G. Jeffery Bldg.

AND/OR COMMON

Hirsch's Men's Store

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

9 S. Main

1st

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Bel Air

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

STATE

COUNTY

Maryland

Harford

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

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Hannah Hirsch Cohen

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

9 S. Main

CITY, TOWN

Bel Air

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21014

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Harford County Courthouse

Liber #: 992

Folio #: 288

STREET & NUMBER

Main Street

CITY, TOWN

Bel Air

STATE

Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

\_\_\_ FEDERAL \_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_ COUNTY \_\_\_ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

<b>CONDITION</b>		<b>CHECK ONE</b>	<b>CHECK ONE</b>
<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

This narrow two and a half story, two bay store front sided in formstone is at 9 South Main in the Town of Bel Air, Harford County. Even shorn of its Victorian detail and faced with formstone the little store presents a quaint aspect with its front gable and smaller (north) side gable. The front gable has a bold return which is completed as a thin cornice. The two second story windows are segmental arch headed 2/2 double hung sash. The shop sign occupies the middle of the shop over a pair of plate glass shop windows flanking the recessed glass and aluminum door.

The interior is probably little changed from Mr. Hirsch's time. Glass cases hold the shirts and sweaters. Floor stands hold the rest. The building has been enlarged from a depth of 36 feet originally and on the 1904 insurance map to 125 feet today. The first 100 feet are frame and the last 25 feet are cinder block.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY



**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Harford Democrat  
 1904, 1930 Sanborn Maps  
 Bel Air Centennial Book

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

This property occupies parcel #896 in the Town of Bel Air  
 13' x 220'

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

STATE	COUNTY
STATE	COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

M. Larew, Architectural Historian

16 October 1979

ORGANIZATION

DATE

Town of Bel Air

838-8700

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

39 Hickory Avenue

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

Bel Air

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

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST 21 STATE CIRCLE SHAW HOUSE ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401  HISTORIC SITES SURVEY FIELD SHEET Individual Structure Survey Form	SURVEY NUMBER: HA-1445
	NEGATIVE FILE NUMBER:
	UTM REFERENCES: Zone/Easting/Northing
	U.S.G.S. QUAD. MAP:
	PRESENT FORMAL NAME: Hirsch's Men's Store
COUNTY: Harford	ORIGINAL FORMAL NAME: Jeffery Bldg.
TOWN: Bel Air	PRESENT USE: Store
LOCATION: 9 S. Main Bel Air, Maryland 21014	ORIGINAL USE: Store
COMMON NAME: Hirsch's	ARCHITECT/ENGINEER:
FUNCTIONAL TYPE: Commercial	BUILDER/CONTRACTOR:
OWNER: Hannah Hirsch Cohen ADDRESS: 9 S. Main Bel Air, Maryland 21014	PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE: Excellent( ) Good(X) Fair( ) Poor( )
ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Yes( ) No( ) Restricted(X)	THEME: Architecture
LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE: Local(X) State( ) National( )	STYLE: Vernacular
DATE BUILT: 1895	
GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Structural System 1. Foundation: Stone( )Brick( )Concrete( )Concrete Block( ) 2. Wall Structure A. Wood Frame: Post and Beam( )Balloon( ) B. Wood Bearing Masonry: Brick( )Stone( )Concrete( )Concrete Block( ) C. Iron( ) D. Steel( ) E. Other: 3. Wall Covering: Clapboard( )Board and Batten( )Wood Shingle( )Shiplap( ) Novelty( )Stucco( )Sheet Metal( )Aluminum( )Asphalt Shingle( ) Brick Veneer( )Stone Veneer( ) Bonding Pattern: Other: Formstone 4. Roof Structure A. Truss: Wood( )Iron( )Steel( )Concrete( ) B. Other: 5. Roof Covering: Slate( )Wood Shingle( )Asphalt Shingle( )Sheet Metal(X) Built Up( )Rolled( )Tile( )Other: 6. Engineering Structure: 7. Other: Appendages: Porches( )Towers( )Cupolas( )Dormers( )Chimneys( )Sheds( )Ells( ) Wings( ) Other: Roof Style: Gable(X)Hip( )Shed( )Flat( )Mansard( )Gambrel( )Jerkinhead( ) Saw Tooth( )With Monitor( )With Bellcast( )With Parapet( )With False Front( ) Other: Number of Stories: <u>2½</u> Number of Bays: <u>2</u> Entrance Location: <u>S. Main Street</u> Approximate Dimensions: <u>13' x 125'</u>	
THREAT TO STRUCTURE: No Threat( )Zoning( )Roads( ) Development(X)Deterioration( ) Alteration( )Other:	LOCAL ATTITUDES: Positive( )Negative( ) Mixed( ) Other:

ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL OR STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:

L shaped gable roof/front gable probably trimmed of  
decoration when the formstone applied  
two 2nd story windows 2/2 with segmental arch  
head  
middle - sign  
green awning across 1st story  
2 plate glass shop windows flank aluminum framed  
recessed entrance

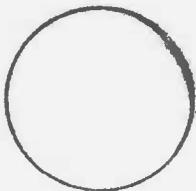
RELATED STRUCTURES: (Describe)

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Wm. Jeffery blt 1895  
Hirsch 1927 to pres.

REFERENCES:

MAP: (Indicate North in Circle)



Perma:

Beta Woolworth X

S Mann

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:

Open Lane( ) Woodland( ) Scattered Buildings( )  
Moderately Built Up( ) Densely Built Up( )  
Residential( ) Commercial(X)  
Agricultural( ) Industrial( )  
Roadside Strip Development( )  
Other:

M. Larew

RECORDED BY:

Town of Bel Air

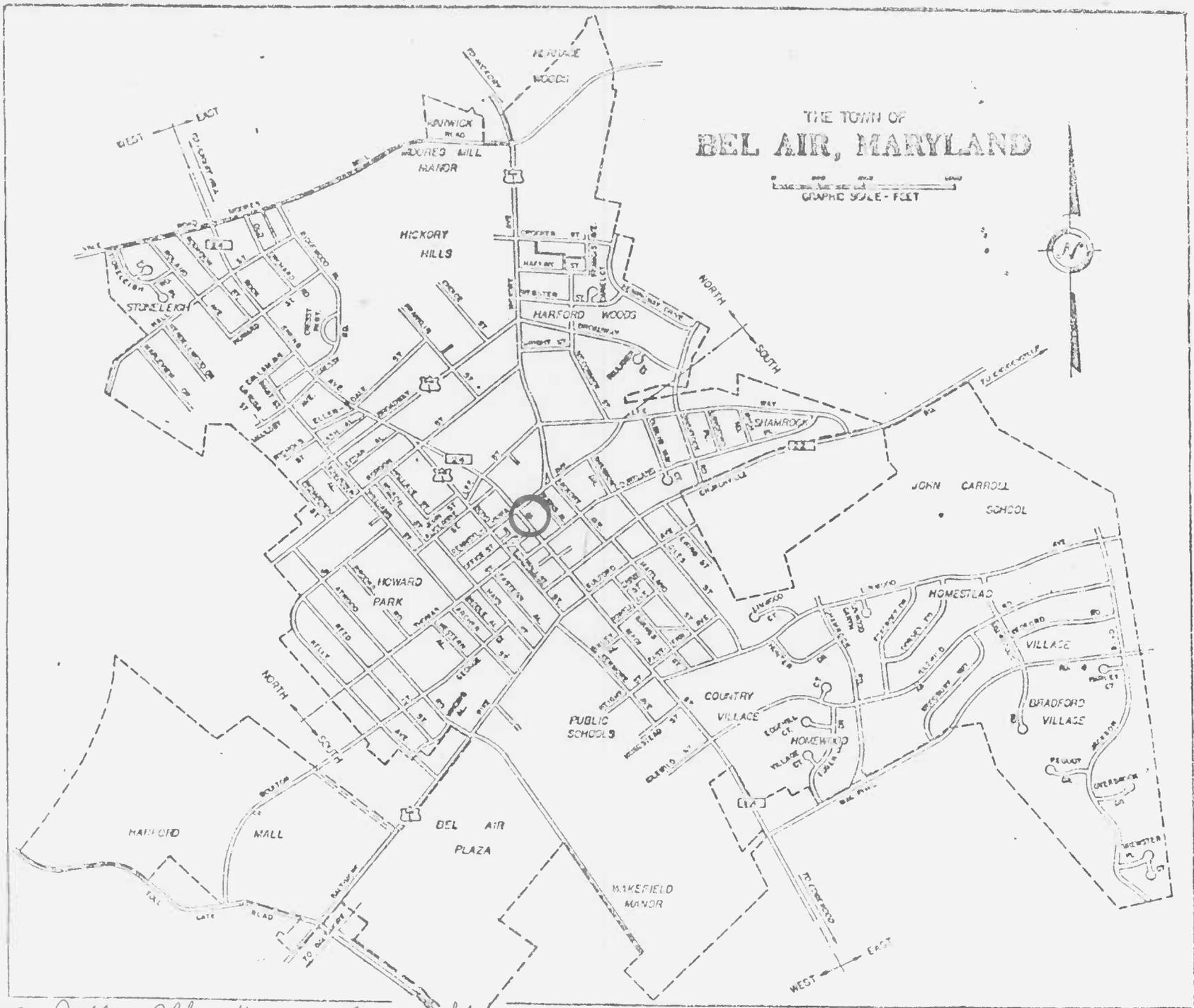
ORGANIZATION:

12 October 1979

DATE RECORDED:

TITLE: HIRSCH'S

- 992/288                    19 February 1976  
Hannah Hirsch Cohen & David Cohen,  
personal representatives of the estate  
of Benjamin Hirsch  
to  
Hannah Hirsch Cohen  
Hirsch died 14 November 1975 and left the  
property to his daughter Hannah Hirsch Cohen  
Clara Hirsch, his wife, is also dead
- 206/92                    6 September 1927  
Alice Lee Hanna and Henry  
to  
Benjamin Hirsch and Clara  
part of the property William G. Jeffery  
(will 16/100)
- 81/345                    4 July 1894  
Georgie Jacobs et al  
to  
William G. Jeffery  
\$600  
18 ft. on Main Street and back to the  
Presbyterian Church (Odd Fellows Lodge) lot  
part of the store house lot (#4) in the  
will of Thomas Hays



HA-1445 Jeffery Pledge - Hirsch's Men's Store  
S. Main



HA - 1445

Wm. Jefferys 130<sup>0</sup> 45. 11. 1845

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M. Larew, 1979