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INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY/DISTRICT
MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
INTERNAL NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM

Property/District Name: Russell Maisel's Stone House Survey Number: HO-122

Project: Replace Dorsey Mill Road Bridge Agency: FHWA/Howard County

Site visit by MHT Staff: X no ___ yes Name _____ Date _____

Eligibility recommended X Eligibility **not** recommended ___

Criteria: ___A ___B X C ___D Considerations: ___A ___B ___C ___D ___E ___F ___G ___None

Justification for decision: (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map)

This three bay by one bay, two story, stone house with gable roof was originally a portion of the Stephen Boone Dorsey Property. It is thought to date to circa 1780. In our opinion, the house is eligible under Criterion C as a good example of the modest stone dwellings which tyically housed workers on large landholdings and which once dotted Howard County. Based on the available information, we believe the National Register historic property should include the southern portion of the 5.15 acre tax parcel, encompassing the house, log outbuildings and landscaped grounds. A modern rental house is located on the northern end of the property. Further work would be required to develop precise boundaries for the eligible portion of the property.

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Project File, Maryland Inventory Form HO-122

Prepared by: Cleora Thompson

Elizabeth Hannold — January 27, 1997
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services — Date

NR program concurrence: X yes ___ no ___ not applicable

Peter E. Kurtze — 1/27/97
Reviewer, NR program — Date

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MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA - HISTORIC CONTEXT

I. Geographic Region:

____	Eastern Shore	(all Eastern Shore counties, and Cecil)
____	Western Shore	(Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, Prince George's and St. Mary's)
X	Piedmont	(Baltimore City, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Harford, Howard, Montgomery)
____	Western Maryland	(Allegany, Garrett and Washington)

II. Chronological/Developmental Periods:

____	Paleo-Indian	10000-7500 B.C.
____	Early Archaic	7500-6000 B.C.
____	Middle Archaic	6000-4000 B.C.
____	Late Archaic	4000-2000 B.C.
____	Early Woodland	2000-500 B.C.
____	Middle Woodland	500 B.C. - A.D. 900
____	Late Woodland/Archaic	A.D. 900-1600
____	Contact and Settlement	A.D. 1570-1750
X	Rural Agrarian Intensification	A.D. 1680-1815
____	Agricultural-Industrial Transition	A.D. 1815-1870
____	Industrial/Urban Dominance	A.D. 1870-1930
____	Modern Period	A.D. 1930-Present
____	Unknown Period (___ prehistoric	___ historic)

III. Prehistoric Period Themes:

____	Subsistence
____	Settlement
____	Political
____	Demographic
____	Religion
____	Technology
____	Environmental Adaption

IV. Historic Period Themes:

____	Agriculture
X	Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Community Planning
____	Economic (Commercial and Industrial)
____	Government/Law
____	Military
____	Religion
____	Social/Educational/Cultural
____	Transportation

V. Resource Type:

Category: Buildings

Historic Environment: Rural

Historic Function(s) and Use(s): Domestic-single dwelling, outbuilding

Known Design Source: na

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RUSSELL MAISEL'S STONE HOUSE circa 1780
Glenelg
Private

This two and a half story stone structure, originally part of the Stephen Boone Dorsey property, is three bays wide and two bays deep facing east with gabled roof and bearing walls 22 inches thick. It is a fine example of vernacular architecture, typical of the modest stone houses which dot Howard County and were at one time attached to larger homes. Named for owner Russel Maissell, its future is uncertain, standing in the way of the flood plain of the Tridelphia Dam expansion.

Restoration of this structure was carefully executed by Mr. and Mrs. Russel Maisel who have maintained the integrity of this eighteenth century structure throughout its interior, giving thoughtful consideration to the placement of their west addition which in no way detracts from the east or front facade of the building.

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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: Russell Maisel's Stone House

AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: 15282 Roxbury Road

CITY OR TOWN: Glenelg

STATE: Maryland | COUNTY: Howard

3. CLASSIFICATION

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

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

[ ] Agricultural	[ ] Government	[ ] Park	[ ] Transportation	[ ] Comments
[ ] Commercial	[ ] Industrial	[X] Private Residence	[ ] Other (Specify)	
[ ] Educational	[ ] Military	[ ] Religious		
[ ] Entertainment	[ ] Museum	[ ] Scientific		

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME: Mr. & Mrs. Russell Maisel

STREET AND NUMBER: 15282 Roxbury Road

CITY OR TOWN: Glenelg | STATE: Maryland | 21737

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC: Hall of Records

STREET AND NUMBER: Howard County Court House

CITY OR TOWN: Ellicott City | STATE: Maryland | 21043

Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #): Tax Map 15 p. 27 /309-254 Acreage 5.15

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY: Howard County Historic Sites Inventory

DATE OF SURVEY: 1976 [ ] Federal [X] State [ ] County [ ] Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: Maryland Historical Trust

STREET AND NUMBER: 21 State Circle

CITY OR TOWN: Annapolis | STATE: Maryland | 21401

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7. DESCRIPTION

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

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

Russell Maisel's Stone House

This two and a half story stone structure is two bays deep, three bays wide facing east with gabled roof and bearing walls 22 inches thick with upper walls 18 inches thick. Named for owner Russel Maisel, its future is uncertain and standing in the way of the flood plain of the Triadelphia Dam expansion.

It has a central rectangular Dutch entrance door (battan wood door on bottom half, six lites on upper half) flanked by double-hung windows with six-over-six lites. Its north wall holds a wide central brick chimney inset into the wall. At one time it is said that the central second floor window used to be a door. Presently the second story of the east facade holds three similar windows with six-over-six lites and shutters.

The north wall of the house holds a six lite casement window on either side of the chimney. On the first floor and a four lite square casement window on either side of the chimney on the third floor.

A one story brick addition lies on the south wall with a brick chimney on its south wall. Previously a bath, it is now used as a utility room.

The west wall central back entrance now leads into a one story kitchen-bedroom bath addition which runs along the entire west wall and extends west on the south bay. Constructed of brick which has been painted to complement the color of the stone, it is a pleasant addition to the living quarters which in no way detracts from the front facade of the building.

The landscaping and stone terraces along the east and west facades of the house have been thoughtfully executed. A stone wall also runs along the east boundary of the Roxbury Road. The stonework, landscaping and well-placed west wing all add to the compact and tidy appearance of a well-cared for residence.

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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD *(Check One or More as Appropriate)*

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

SPECIFIC DATE(S) *(If Applicable and Known)* 1780

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

Aboriginal
- [ ] Prehistoric
- [x] Historic

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

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This simple structure is significant both architecturally and historically. Historically it belonged to Stephen Boone Dorsey in 1780. In the 1950's, it was owned by Walter Tobriner, Embassador to Jamaica under the Johnson Administration who bought it in the early thirties from Stephen Boone Dorsey. Historically it served as available housing on the property for workers. In the early colonial period horse drawn wagons stopped at large houses to find a likely place to work and live. Small stone or log houses such as these used to dot the property of many of the large holdings of Howard County. Burleigh Gate House, Spring Hill Quarters and the Russell Maissell Stone House all are representative of these satellite buildings, now used as charming residences with additions thoughtfully arranged.

Architecturally it is a fine example of a small stone 18th century house. Increasing its value architecturally has been the thoughtful restoration of the house under Mr. & Mrs. Russel Maissel who have replaced rotting timbers with hand hewn timbers taken out of old structures.

The house nestles into a slope creating three stories on the east facade and two on the west facade.

The second floor is now the living room and the central back door enters into the new kitchen wing which has been added along the west wall of the house.

Originally this living room was two rooms and had an enclosed staircase which has now been opened up to create a more spacious room. The random width poplar floors with square nails are original to the house in the charming half story room in the gable.

Stone chimneys on the first and second floors hold original fireplaces.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Interview with Mrs. Russell Maisel, 15282 Roxbury Road. September 9, 1976.

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		
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SE	°	'	"	°	'	"						
SW	°	'	"	°	'	"						

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreage Justification:

Please see Tax Map 21, Blk 15
p. 27
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Acreage 5.15

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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: Cleora Barnes Thompson, Archivist

ORGANIZATION: Office of Planning and Zoning-Comprehensive Planning

DATE:

STREET AND NUMBER: 3450 Court House Drive

CITY OR TOWN: Ellicott City

STATE: Maryland

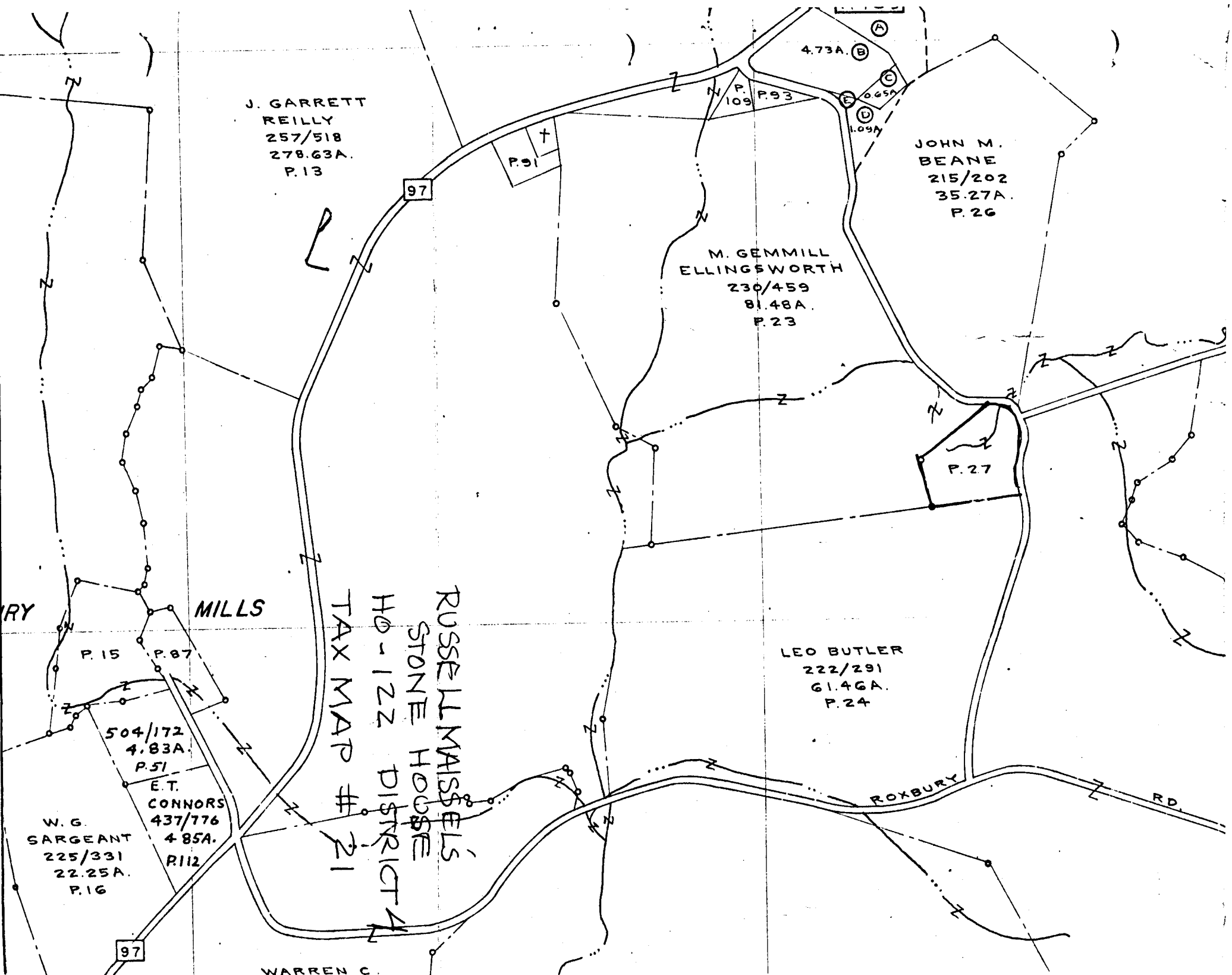
21043

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

Significance of this property is:

National ☐ State ☐ Local ☐

Signature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Russell Maisel's stone house

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Russell Maisel's log building

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