

# Maryland Historical Trust

## State Historic Sites Inventory Form

### 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Magruder House

and/or common

### 2. Location

street & number 22525 Wildcat Rd.  not for publication

city, town Woodfield  vicinity of congressional district 2nd

state Maryland county Montgomery

### 3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

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

name George W and Cathryn Harding

street & number 22525 Wildcat Rd. telephone no.: 428-0281

city, town Germantown, Md. state and zip code 20767

### 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Montgomery County Courthouse liber 3347

street & number Rockville folio 487

city, town Rockville state Maryland

### 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title MNCPPC Historic Sites Inventory

date 1976  federal  state  county  local

postitory for survey records Park Historian's Office

city, town Rockville state Maryland

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7. DESCRIPTION

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

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

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In the southeast corner of each room is a boxed staircase to the loft. The baseboards are a beaded board. The fireplace in the south room has its original surround, consisting of a frieze with a rosette motif in the center and at either end; the projecting cornice is a reeded band, supporting a projecting mantle shelf.

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# Significance

Survey No. .

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

Specific dates

Builder/Architect

Check: Applicable Criteria:  A  B  C  D  
and/orApplicable Exception:  A  B  C  D  E  F  GLevel of Significance:  national  state  local

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

The Magruder house is an early nineteenth century rural vernacular dwelling. This style of architecture- a small one-and-a-half story dwelling with a lean-to like front and rear (the front being a porch)- was the predominate type of dwelling for the early settlers of this area. Once common to the area, most of these early dwellings were replaced by the mid to late nineteenth century homes now found here. Although this house has retained its basic form, additions and changes have been made. The original house was a story-and-a-half four room structure with two stairways and fireplace heating.<sup>1</sup> In the past forty years or so rooms have been added and other exterior changes, such as the rebuilding of the chimneys and the screened enclosing of the front porch, have been made. This house is, however, significant as one of the few early dwellings still standing in the area, but a more authentic example of this type structure (and one to which the Magruder house can be compared) is the Etchison-Warfield low house, site #14-3.

The Magruder house is believed to have been built about 1835 by James Magruder, a farmer and miller (with a mill on the farm property). His farm consisted of 240 1/2 acres. The dwelling remained in the family until March of 1925 when it was sold on 110 1/2 acres to Dorsey and Hilda Griffith.<sup>2</sup> The Griffiths sold the house in 1939 after which time it passed through a succession of owners. Don and Sarah Glassie, who owned the house from 1943 to 1946, added on a kitchen with a bedroom over it.<sup>3</sup> The house was purchased by the present owners, George and Cathryn Harding, in April of 1965.<sup>4</sup> The Hardings added a second story over a section of the house, and two bathrooms in 1966.<sup>5</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Conversation With George Harding, 8/83.

<sup>2</sup> Deed 388/343, Montgomery County Land Records.

<sup>3</sup> Mont. Co. Commissioners Tax Assessment Books, 1940-46  
George Harding.

<sup>4</sup> Deed 3347/487, Montgomery County Land Records.

<sup>5</sup> George Harding.



MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

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

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<b>1. NAME</b>				
COMMON:				
AND/OR HISTORIC: Magruder House				
<b>2. LOCATION</b>				
STREET AND NUMBER: 22525 Wildcat Road				
CITY OR TOWN: Woodfield				
STATE: Maryland		COUNTY: Montgomery		
<b>3. CLASSIFICATION</b>				
CATEGORY (Check One)		OWNERSHIP		STATUS
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object		<input type="checkbox"/> Public        Public Acquisition: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Bath <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC				
Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No				
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment <input type="checkbox"/> Museum		<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific		<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ _____ _____
Comments _____				
<b>4. OWNER OF PROPERTY</b>				
OWNER'S NAME: George W. Harding				
STREET AND NUMBER: 22525 Wildcat Road				
CITY OR TOWN: Woodfield			STATE: Maryland	
<b>5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION</b>				
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Montgomery County Courthouse				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
CITY OR TOWN: Rockville			STATE: Maryland	
Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #):				
<b>6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS</b>				
TITLE OF SURVEY: None				
DATE OF SURVEY: <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local				
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
CITY OR TOWN:			STATE:	

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**9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

**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 TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
NW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
NE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreage Justification:

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

STATE:		COUNTY:	

**11. FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME AND TITLE:  
Christopher Owens, Park Historian

ORGANIZATION: M-NCPPC      DATE: 3/28/74

STREET AND NUMBER:  
8787 Georgia Avenue

CITY OR TOWN: Silver Spring      STATE: Maryland

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

Significance of this property is:  
 National     State     Local

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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NAME #14-45<sup>M.</sup> J. MAGRUDER HOUSE

LOCATION WILDCAT RD., WOODFIELD, MD.

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