

ABSTRACT
WA-I-188
Martin Farm
Leitersburg Vicinity
private

19th Century

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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: Martin Farm				
AND/OR HISTORIC:				
2. LOCATION				
STREET AND NUMBER: Lettersburg-State Line Road				
CITY OR TOWN: Lettersburg Vicinity				
STATE Maryland			COUNTY: Washington	
3. CLASSIFICATION				
CATEGORY <i>(Check One)</i>	OWNERSHIP		STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE <i>(Check One or More as Appropriate)</i>				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence	<input type="checkbox"/> Other <i>(Specify)</i>	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Educational	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Religious	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	_____	_____
4. OWNER OF PROPERTY				
OWNER'S NAME: Leroy L. Martin				
STREET AND NUMBER: Route # 8				
CITY OR TOWN: Hagerstown			STATE: Maryland	
			21740	
5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION				
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC: Washington County Court House				
STREET AND NUMBER: West Washington Street				
CITY OR TOWN: Hagerstown			STATE: Maryland	
			21740	
Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #): 358/643, 403/81				
6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS				
TITLE OF SURVEY:				
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:	

7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input 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 < 50%	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered		<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site	

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This farm complex is located on the east side of the Leitersburg-State Line Road between Strite and Miller's Church Roads in Washington County, Maryland. It is situated on an area of gently sloping ground and faces southwest.

The dwelling appears to have been built in three stages. Set parallel to the road is a two part brick structure divided by a vertical seam in the masonry. The section southeast of the seam is a two story, three bay brick structure above fieldstone foundations. Its front elevation displays Flemish bond brickwork. Northwest of the seam is an addition, also of brick construction, two stories high and four bays in length. It displays common bonding at all of its elevations with, generally, seven courses of headers between stretcher rows. Extending to the rear of the southeast section is a two story, two bay ell of roughly coursed local limestone. No decorative work is associated with the masonry in this structure. Both of the brick sections have flat arches over window and door openings. While windows and doors are aligned with each other, they are not spaced symmetrically in the walls.

Windows in the southeast section have nine over six pane double hung sashes at the lower level and six over six sashes at the upper story, all held within narrow frames. Other sections of the house have six over six or two over two pane sashes. Window frames in the stone section are wide.

Doors are located in the second, third and sixth bays of the front elevation. The three doors appear to be treated similarly and have transoms at their tops. A one story hipped roof porch extends across the five central bays sheltering the entrances.

The roof is covered with asphalt shingles and extends beyond the end walls of the house. A simple course of molding finishes the eaves boxing. Brick chimneys are located inside the gable ends and at the jointure of the two brick sections.

A large frame bank barn and other more modern agricultural structures are located northeast of the house. The buildings are in excellent condition and are situated on a farm containing 160 acres.

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SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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|--|---------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century | |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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|--|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 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/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | | |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The area of significance of the farm complex is its architecture. Constructed of brick and stone, the house appears to reflect three periods of building all of which seem to have occurred during the 19th century. Building techniques used range from the rubble or roughly coursed stone work in the ell to Flemish bond brick masonry with nine over six windows in the older brick section, to all common bonding with numerous courses of stretchers between header rows which is characteristic of work in the late 19th century.

The property, part of the grants, "Dry Spring" and "Rich Barrens" was in the Strite and Wolfinger families for much of its history.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Taggart, Thomas, Map of Washington County, Md. Hagerstown, Md:
L. McKee & C.G. Robertson, 1859.

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	
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: **160 acres.**

Acreage Justification:

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Paula Stoner Dickey, Consultant

ORGANIZATION: **Washington County Historical Sites Survey** DATE: **January 1976**

STREET AND NUMBER:
Court House Annex

CITY OR TOWN: **Hagerstown** STATE: **Maryland**

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

Significance of this property is:
 National State Local

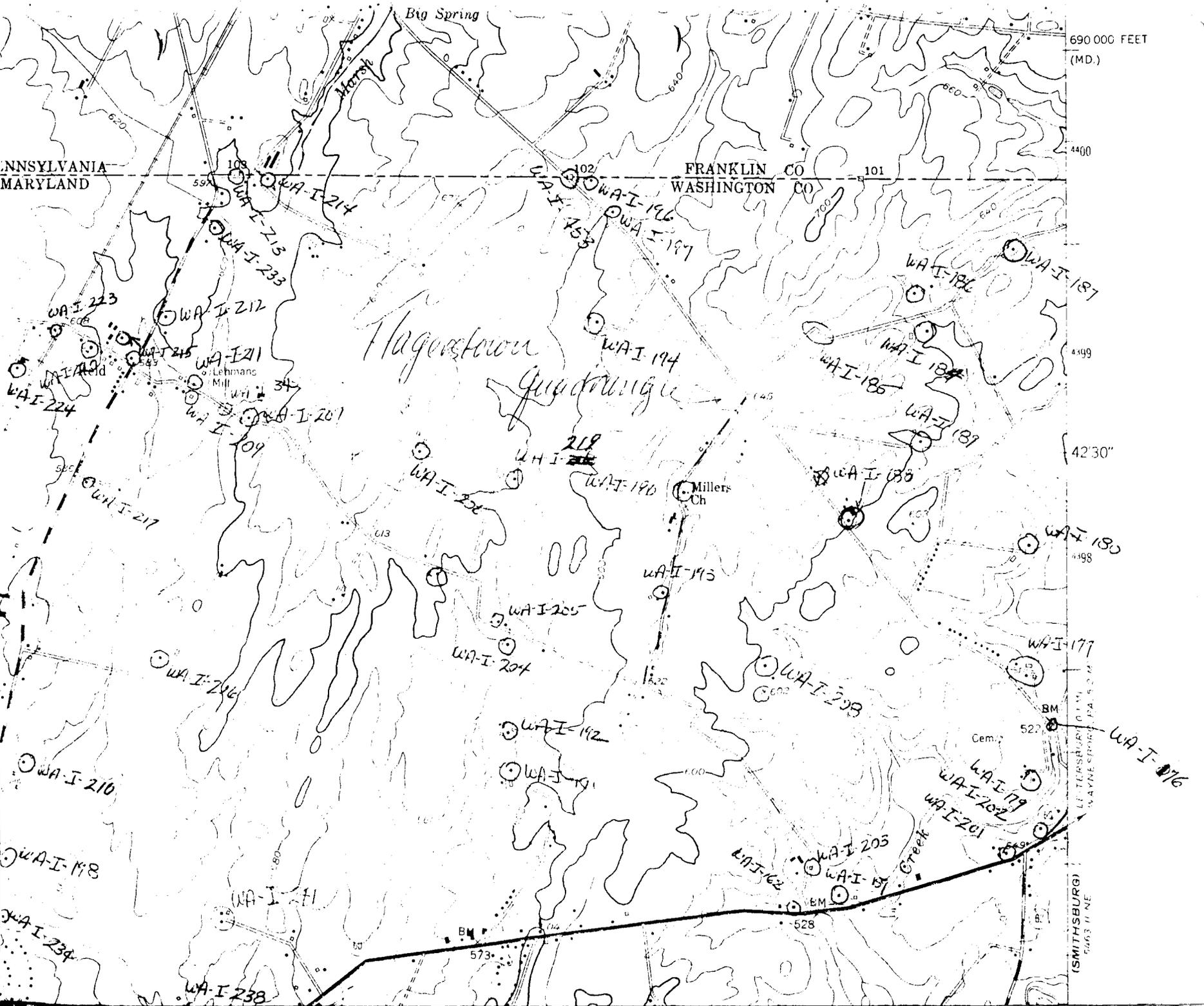
Signature

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

PENNSYLVANIA
MARYLAND

FRANKLIN CO
WASHINGTON CO

690 000 FEET
(MD.)



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Quadrangle*

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