

WILLIAMSPORT, WASHINGTON COUNTY, MARYLAND

Survey # WA-WIL-037 Approximate date 18th century
Street Address 123 West Potomac Street
Town, State Williamsport, Maryland
private X, public

Description

One and a half story four bay log house covered with asbestos siding. 18th century. Raised upper story in the early 20th century. The original first story cornice, window frames and molding are extant. Although altered, it is significant as one of Williamsport's remaining 18th century buildings.

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

- I. Geographic Organization: Western Maryland
- II. Chronological/Developmental Period(s):
Rural Agrarian Intensification - A.D. 1680-1815
- III. Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme(s):
Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Community Planning
- IV. Resource Type
Category: Building
Historic Environment: Urban
Historic Function(s) and Use(s):
DOMESTIC/single dwelling
Known Design Source: Unknown

Photo Reference: Photo # 7

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

123 West Potomac Street

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

123 West Potomac Street

CITY, TOWN

Williamsport

___ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

6

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Washington

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

Harry Voelker

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

123 West Potomac Street

CITY, TOWN

Williamsport

___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21795

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC

Washington County Court House

Liber #: 272

Folio #: 599

STREET & NUMBER

West Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Hagerstown

STATE

Maryland 21740

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

___ FEDERAL ___ STATE ___ COUNTY ___ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

WA-611-57

CONDITION

- EXCELLENT
- GOOD
- FAIR
- DETERIORATED
- RUINS
- UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

- UNALTERED
- ALTERED

CHECK ONE

- ORIGINAL SITE
- MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This is a one and a half story, four bay log dwelling situated on the north side of West Potomac Street, facing south. The roof is of composition grit shingles. The building is covered with asbestos siding and has six over six double hung sash. The foundation is limestone and there is a brick sidewalk in front of the house. The noteworthy feature of this house is that under its 20th century wrapper is probably an 18th century log cabin. A tell-tale sign is the slight overhang of the second story on the front facade. Until further inspection is done, it can only be positively judged as having been built in the 19th century.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

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PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW				
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<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

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 1/2 of town lot # 123

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

STATE	COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE
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ORGANIZATION
Preservation Associates, Inc.

DATE
June 1980

STREET & NUMBER
109 West Main Street

TELEPHONE
301-432-5466

CITY OR TOWN
Sharpsburg

STATE
Maryland 21782

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The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

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BUILDING CODE LEGEND

STEEL REINFORCED CONCRETE STRUCTURE ON STEEL JOIST
CONTRIBUTING TO A NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICT

CONCRETE BUILDING STRUCTURES WHICH COULD BE
RENOVATED THROUGH REPAIRATION OF DAMAGED ELEMENTS
STRUCTURAL PARTS IN KEEPING WITH THE HISTORICAL
SIGNIFICANCE OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER DISTRICT

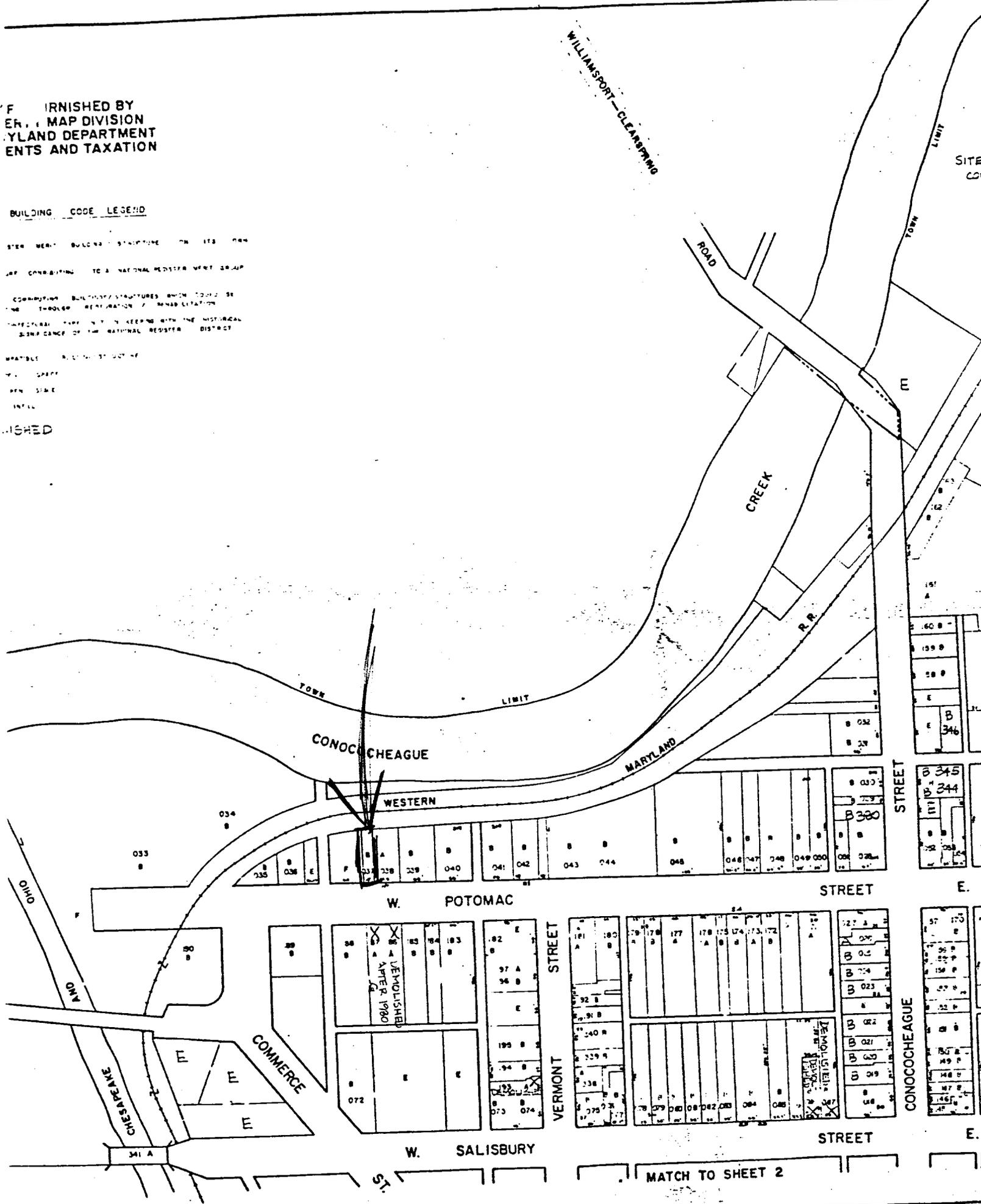
REPAIRABLE BUILDING STRUCTURE

WOOD FRAME

BRICK

STONE

UNFINISHED



MATCH TO SHEET 2



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Log House, 123 West Potomac Street
Williamsport, Maryland, Washington County
Douglass C. Reed, Preservation Associates, Inc.
April, 1980
Maryland Historical Trust, Annapolis, Maryland
South Elevation