

WILLIAMSPORT, WASHINGTON COUNTY, MARYLAND

Survey # WA-WIL-049                      Approximate date mid 19th century  
Street Address 15 West Potomac Street  
Town, State Williamsport, Maryland  
private X, public \_\_\_\_\_

Description

Two story, four bay log or frame house covered with narrow gauge siding. 19th century. It has a hipped roof porch across the front. It reflects Williamsport's 19th century residential construction patterns.

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

- I. Geographic Organization: Western Maryland
- II. Chronological/Developmental Period(s):  
    Agricultural-Industrial Transition - A.D. 1815-1870
- 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 # 5

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

House at 15 West Potomac Street

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

15 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

Walter L. Bowman

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

15 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 #: 538

Folio #: 610

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**

Wk-2012-69

**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 two story, four bay, log or frame house is situated on the north side of West Potomac Street facing south. The roof is standing seam tin. The house is covered with 1930's narrow gauge siding. The windows are one over one sash and there is a full porch across the front with a hip roof. The exterior materials are all from the 20th century and cover a 19th century structure.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

# 8 SIGNIFICANCE

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 checked="" 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 \_\_\_\_\_ North part of town lot # 206, 33' x 196'

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

Douglass C. Reed, Architectural Conservator

ORGANIZATION

Preservation Associates, Inc.

DATE

June 1980

STREET &amp; NUMBER

109 West Main Street

TELEPHONE

301-432-5466

CITY OR TOWN

Sharpsburg

STATE

Maryland 21782

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.

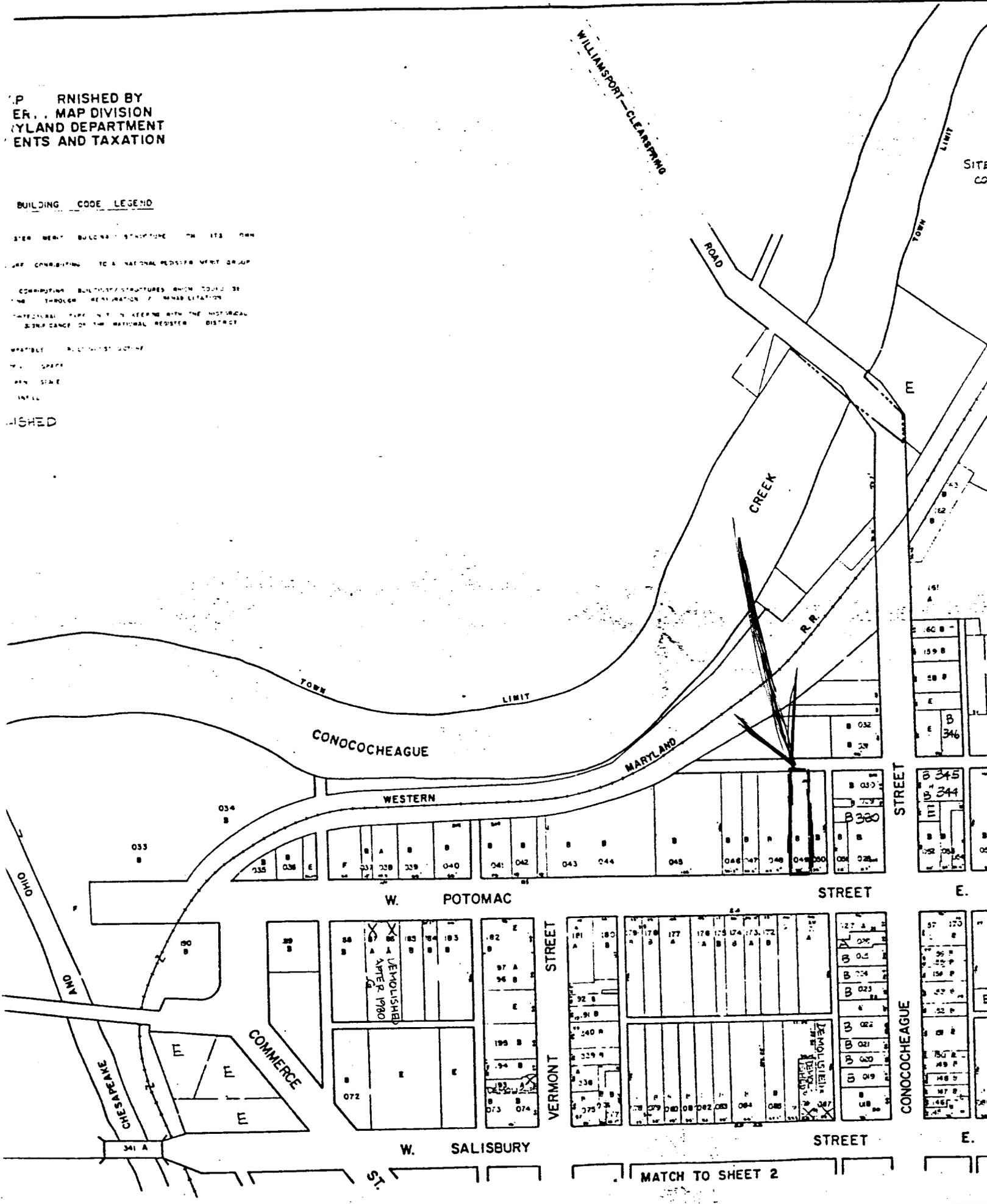
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RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust  
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438

MAP FINISHED BY  
FEDERAL MAP DIVISION  
MARYLAND DEPARTMENT  
OF REVENUE AND TAXATION

BUILDING CODE LEGEND

- 1. STEEL FRAME BUILDING STRUCTURE ON ITS OWN
- 2. WOOD FRAME BUILDING STRUCTURE ON ITS OWN
- 3. CONTRIBUTING TO A NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICT
- 4. CONTRIBUTING BUILDING STRUCTURES WHICH TOUGH BE PRESERVED THROUGH REHABILITATION OR MAINTENANCE
- 5. HISTORICAL MAPS NOT KEEPING WITH THE HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER DISTRICT
- 6. UNDESIRABLE BUILDING STRUCTURE
- 7. OPEN SPACE
- 8. OPEN SPACE
- 9. UNDEVELOPED
- 10. UNDEVELOPED





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Log or Frame House, 15 West Potomac Street  
Williamsport, Maryland, Washington County  
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April, 1980  
Maryland Historical Trust, Annapolis, Maryland  
South Elevation