Maryland Historical Trust
Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

Survey No. M:35-71

1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic: Jones-Beall House

and/or common:

2. Location

street & number: 7310 Brookville Road — ___ not for publication

city, town: Chevy Chase — ___ vicinity of

state: Maryland — county: Montgomery

3. Classification

Category
- ___ district
- X building(s)
- ___ structure
- ___ site
- ___ object

Ownership
- ___ public
- X private
- ___ both

Present Use
- ___ agriculture
- ___ commercial
- ___ educational
- ___ entertainment
- ___ government
- ___ industrial
- ___ military
- ___ museum
- ___ park
- X private residence
- ___ religious
- ___ scientific
- ___ transportation
- ___ other:

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

name: Daniel S. & D.R. Levine

street & number: 7310 Brookville Road — telephone no:

city, town: Chevy Chase — state and zip code: Maryland 20815

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc.: Montgomery County Courthouse — Tax Map and Parcel: HN342; P459

city, town: Rockville — state: Maryland — Liber and Folio: 04674/0159

6. Primary Location of Additional Data

- ___ Individually Listed in the National Register
- ___ Contributing Resource in National Register District
- ___ Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
- ___ Determined Eligible for the National Register
- ___ Recorded by HABS/HAER
- ___ HSR or Research report at MHT
- ___ Other:

7. Description

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Condition

X excellent ___ deteriorated
___ good ___ ruins
___ fair ___ altered

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

Resource Count:

See attached

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The Jones-Beall House, built in 1909, is located on the west side of Brookville Road, south of Williams Lane, in the Village of Chevy Chase, Section 5. The 2-1/2-story frame structure has a two-bay principal block covered with a wide hipped roof, and a two-story side wing, covered with a half-hipped roof which joins the side elevation of the principal hipped roof. The house is clad with wood shingles and its roof is covered with asphalt shingles. Two corbelled brick chimneys project above the roofline. A wrap-around porch extends from the entry bay, designated by a pediment on the porch roof, to the south elevation of the house.

The west (front) elevation, facing Brookville Road, includes the two bays of the principal block and the side addition. The principal block includes a window and door on the first story, opening onto the porch, and pairs of 8/1 sash windows on the second story. Centered on the roof of the main block is a hipped dormer with pair of square windows. The side wing has a ribbon of three narrow 6/1 windows on the first story. The wrap-around porch has a half-hipped roof supported by thick wood columns set upon stone piers.

A secondary elevation faces north on Williams Lane. The wraparound porch shelters the eastern two bays of the four bay wide facade. On the second level are four 8/1 sash windows. A dormer identical to that on the front elevation is centered on the main roof.

Located at the southwest corner of the lot is a non-contibuting garage built on the site of an earlier garage. The two bay one story garage has clapboard siding and a front gable roof covered with asphalt shingles.[1]

The Jones-Beall House is noteworthy for its high level of architectural integrity. The side wing is original to the house, although the second level was built as an open porch with shingled piers. Dormer windows originally had diamond panes.

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[1]Another garage, located on the Williams Lane property line, was removed between 1931 and 1941 when the property was subdivided.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
__ 1600-1699	__ archeology-prehistoric	X community planning	__ landscape architecture	__ religion
__ 1700-1799	__ archeology-historic	__ conservation	__ law	__ science
__ 1800-1899	__ agriculture	__ economics	__ literature	__ sculpture
X 1900-	X architecture	__ education	__ military	__ social/humanitarian
	__ art	__ engineering	__ music	__ theater
	__ commerce	__ exploration/settlement	__ philosophy	__ transportation
	__ communications	__ industry	__ politics/government	__ other (specify)
		__ invention		

Specific dates 1909 Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: __ A __ B __ C __ D
and/or
Applicable Exceptions: __ A __ B __ C __ D __ E __ F

Level of Significance: __ national __ state X local

HISTORICAL CONTEXT:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization: Piedmont

Chronological/Developmental Period(s): Industrial/Urban Dominance A.D. 1870-1930

Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme(s): Architecture and Community Planning

Resource Type: Individual

Category: Residential

Historic Environment: Surburban

Historic Function(s) and Use(s): Residential

Known Design Source:

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The Jones-Beall House is important for its association with Edward H. Jones, an early developer who worked closely with the Chevy Chase Land Company and who subdivided the Williams family land as an independent entrepreneur. The house exemplifies a period of expansion in the Chevy Chase area as independent developers profited from the success of communities established by the Chevy Chase Land Company. In addition, the dwelling is an outstanding example of early 20th century residential architecture, exhibiting architectural influences of the Craftsman and Prairie styles becoming popular at the time.

In 1909 Edward H. Jones and his wife Lollie Jones purchased 1.6 acres and built the house. The property was assessed that year for improvements valued at $4,200 and household furnishings worth $450. Edward H. Jones had established c1908 his own realty firm specializing in the Chevy Chase area. Previously Jones had worked for the Thomas J. Fisher Company, the real estate firm affiliated with the Chevy Chase Land Company from the beginning. The Jones-Beall House was featured in *Chevy Chase for Homes*, a 1916 booklet published by Thomas J. Fisher Company to promote the advantages of real estate in the Chevy Chase area.[2]

This 1.6 acre parcel was previously owned by Bettie Offutt who acquired it in 1905 as part of the settlement of her brother John H. Clayton Williams' estate. The 32-acre Williams farm had been established here in 1883, on land that had once been part of the No Gain estate. Bettie Offutt did not build a house on this site--she and her family lived at 4500 Leland Street, now the Town of Chevy Chase, from 1893 until well through at least the 1930s. Bettie Offutt sold the property in 1907 to James and Alfred Wilson, Bethesda merchants. The Wilsons sold it to the Jones' two years later.[3]

In 1910, Edward H. Jones acquired two other parcels of land from the Williams estate: Bettie Offutt's 8-acre tract north of Williams Lane, and her sister Laura Williams' 3.75-acre tract flanking Williams Lane. This land Jones subdivided in 1913 into 25 lots arranged along

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[2]Deed 208:164 was made 6-19-1909 and recorded 8-3-1909. Tax assessments, 1909-1918. Directories of 1911 and 1912. In 1916, Thos. J. Fisher moved its office to Connecticut Avenue just south of Chevy Chase Circle. Kosmerick, *Chevy Chase D.C.*, 1990. *Star* Obituary, 1-23-1967. Thos. J. Fisher & Co, *Chevy Chase for Homes*, 1916.

[3]Deed 184:191 (1905) and EBP 33:353 (1883). See MHT forms for Resource #35/13-3 Williams House, 3707 Williams Lane, and M-NCPPC file on Offutt House, 4500 Leland Street. Alfred Wilson built a general store, in 1889, on Wisconsin Avenue where he and his wife lived for many years. Now known as Community Paint and Hardware building. MHT form, and Offutt, p 282.

Woodbine Street and Glendale Road. Edward H. Jones named the development *J. M. C. Williams Subdivision*, in honor of the farmer who had established the tract.[4]

This subdivision came near the beginning of the career of Edward H. Jones, a real estate agent and independent developer. In later years, he developed the Arcade Building on Connecticut Avenue, Chevy Chase, D.C. (1925) where his firm established its business. Jones organized the Chevy Chase Savings Bank (1923), later taken over by Riggs National Bank; and the Chevy Chase Savings and Loan (1929) of which he was president for five years. The Edward H. Jones real estate firm is still active in the Chevy Chase area today.[5]

Edward and Lollie Jones were not accustomed to living in one house for very long. Though the 1912 Directory lists them at this address, late in that year, they sold the property to Fielder M. M. and Anne L. M. Beall. The lot was now 1.5 acres, since 1/10 acre had been sold for a house at 3718 Williams Lane. The house was chosen for the T. J. Fisher Realty Company's promotional pamphlet "Chevy Chase for Homes" as a prime example of residential architecture.[6]

The Bealls continued to own this property and presumably live in the house into the 1930s. When they bought the house, Fielder was a 63 year old employee of the U.S. Army. He and his 37 year old wife Annie lived here alone with one female servant. The house at 7310 Brookville Road retained its substantial 1.5 arce lot until c1940. The lot stretched along Williams Lane, backing up to 3718 Williams Lane. By 1941, the land was subdivided and six houses were built. Nonetheless, the Jones-Beall House has a generous lot size of just under a half-acre.[7]

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[4]Plat Book 2:159. 1917 Deets and Maddox Atlas. See Maryland Historical Trust Inventory Form (1998) for John H.C. "Clayton" Williams House, 3707 Williams Lane.

[5]*Star* Obituary, 1-23-1967.

[6]Deed 230:259, 10-31-1912. The house at 3718 Williams Lane was built by 1912 for William L. Orem, Jr., Vice President-Treasurer of the Edward H. Jones' realty firm. Offutt, History of Bethesda, p 196 and M-NCPPC survey form for 3718 Williams Lane.

[7]1931 Klinge Atlas. Deed 230:259. 1920 U.S. Census. Hallie Blum article.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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See attached

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 19.957 Sq. Ft.

Quadrangle name _____ Quadrangle scale _____

Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
state	code	county	code

11. Form Prepared By

name/title	Clare Lise Cavicchi, Historic Preservation Planner		
organization	Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission.	date	1/98
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city or town	Silver Spring	state	Maryland, 20910-3760

The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties 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
DHCD/DHCP
100 Community Place
Crownsville, MD 21032-2023
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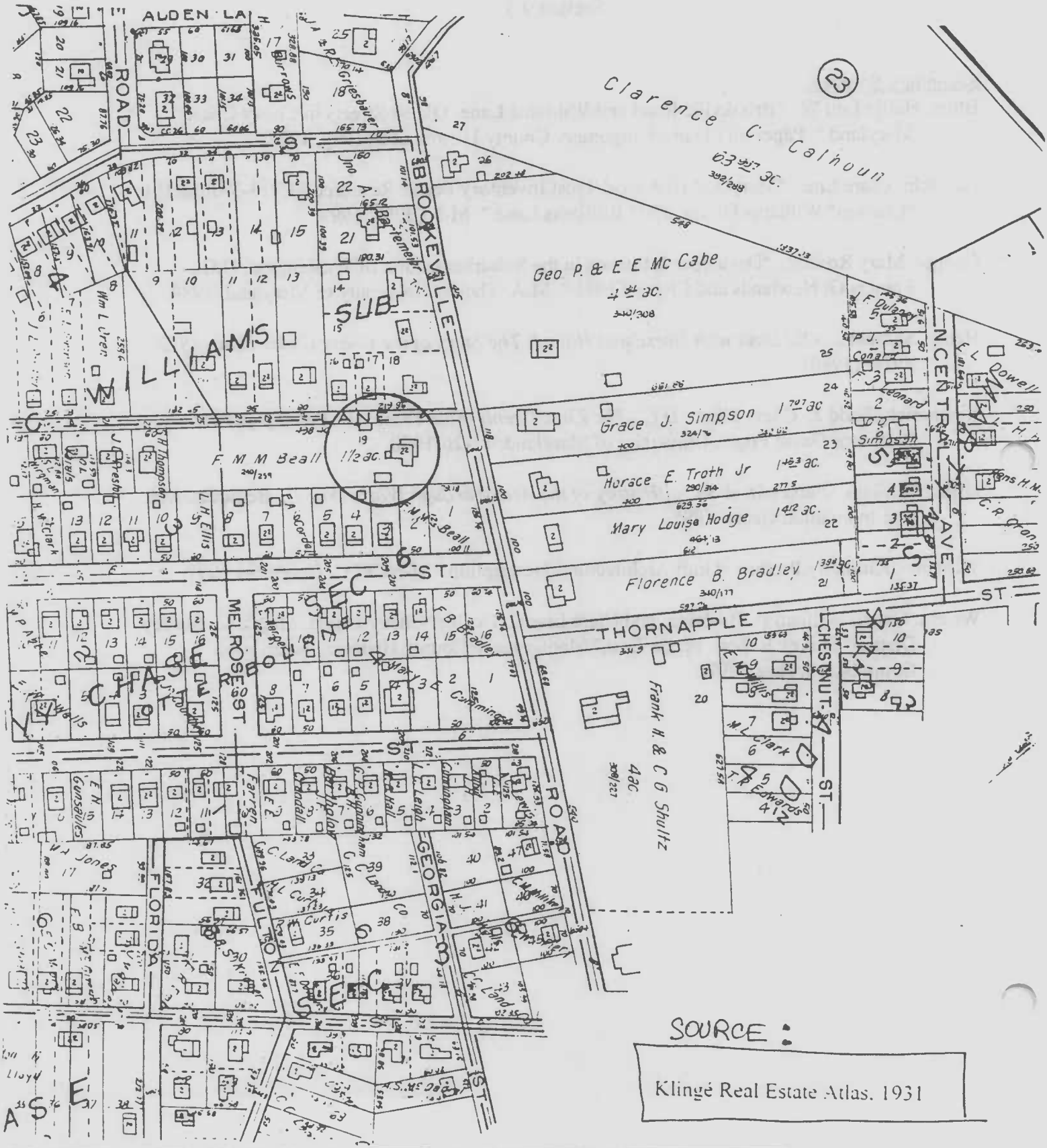

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1916 view of 7310 Brookville Road
in Chevy Chase for Homes
(Published by Thomas J. Fisher Co.)

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M:35/71 Jones-Beall House (c1909)
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STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY FORM

LOCATIONAL MAP

SURVEY NO.: M:35-71

PROPERTY NAME: Jones-Beall House

TOWN: Chevy Chase

COUNTY: MONTGOMERY