

## CAPSULE SUMMARY SHEET

Survey No.: PG:85A-47 (PACS 1.17) Construction Date: 1910

Name: William Gantt Property

Location: 7001 Floral Park Road, T.B. Vicinity, Prince George's County

Private/Private Residence/Occupied/Fair/Accessibility Restricted

### Description:

The William Gantt Property is a 2-story, 3-bay I-house located on the south side of Floral Park Road in the T.B. vicinity, Prince George's County. Constructed in 1910, the property consists of a residence, a wagon house and two sheds. The residence is a side-gable single-pile structure with a rear ell. The house has a recently parged foundation and a new wood sill. The walls, cornice and eaves are covered with vinyl siding, while the window frames remain wood. The windows are wood 2/2 double-hung units. The side-gable roof is covered with standing-seam metal and has a gable centered on the front elevation. There are two chimneys within the building. The first is a brick interior chimney located on the east gable end, while the second chimney is a brick central chimney located between the main block and rear ell. The front elevation has a hipped roof porch and the east elevation of the rear ell has an enclosed shed roof porch.

### Significance:

Land associated with the William Gantt Property was part of a 47.7 hectare (118 acre) tract of land known as "Liberty" sold by Georgianna Lusby to Clarence Hawkins in 1903. Hawkins had the property platted into lots by J.W.F. Hatton in 1904. In 1910, lot #2 of the surveyed tract was sold to William Gantt. The 1.2 hectare (3 acre) lot was located on the south side of the, "public road leading from T.B. to Piscataway (Floral Park Road)." According to tax assessment records of Prince George's County, the house was constructed on the lot in 1910. Herbert and Dorinda Young bought the house and land from William Gantt in 1916. In 1949, the heirs of Herbert and Dorinda Young subdivided the property into four lots, selling the house and .3 hectares (.77 acres) to Elsie Ford. The remaining original land to the rear of the house was divided into three lots, with a 9 meter (30 foot) wide access lane extending south from Floral Park Road along the east side of the lots. The house remained in the ownership of Elsie Ford until her death in 1994. Thelma Henson, the current owner, purchased the property in 1995. The property size remains .3 hectares (.77 acres).

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 MD 5 Brandywine Interchange

DOE \_\_\_yes \_\_\_no

1. **Name:** (indicate preferred name)

historic William Gantt Property (preferred)

and/or common Henson Property

2. **Location:**

street & number 7001 Floral Park Road

\_\_\_ not for publication

city, town T.B. X vicinity of

congressional district

state Maryland

county

Prince George's

3. **Classification:**

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<u>  </u> district	<u>  </u> public	<u>X</u> occupied	<u>  </u> agriculture	<u>  </u> museum
<u>X</u> building(s)	<u>X</u> private	<u>  </u> unoccupied	<u>  </u> commercial	<u>  </u> park
<u>  </u> structure	<u>  </u> both	<u>  </u> work in progress	<u>  </u> education	<u>X</u> private
<u>  </u> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<u>  </u> entertainment	<u>  </u> residence
<u>  </u> object	<u>  </u> in process	<u>X</u> yes: restricted	<u>  </u> government	<u>  </u> religious
<u>  </u>	<u>  </u> being considered	<u>  </u> yes: unrestricted	<u>  </u> industrial	<u>  </u> scientific
<u>  </u>	<u>X</u> not applicable	<u>  </u> no	<u>  </u> military	<u>  </u> other:
			<u>  </u> transportation	

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

name Thelma Henson

street & number 7001 Floral Park Road

telephone no.:

city, town Brandywine

state and zip code MD 20613

5. **Location of Legal Description**

Land Records Office of Prince George's County

liber 10215

street & number Prince George's County Judicial Center

folio 404

city, town Upper Marlboro

state MD

6. **Representation in Existing Historical Surveys**

title

date

\_\_\_ federal \_\_\_ state \_\_\_ county \_\_\_ local

depository for survey records

city, town

state

## 7. Description

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Condition		Check one	Check one	
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date of move _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

Resource Count: 4

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

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The hipped roof porch on the front, or north elevation has an asphalt shingle roof supported by four square wood posts. The posts have wood brackets with jigsaw cut star-shaped ornament. The porch floor is a poured concrete deck on top of a concrete block base. Within the porch is a central entrance consisting of a single-light wood panel door. Flanking the door are two wood 2/2 double-hung windows. The second story has three wood 2/2 double-hung windows vertically joined over the first story openings.

The east elevation has no fenestration on the main block of the house. The east elevation of the rear ell has an enclosed shed roof porch on the first story and a wood 6/6 double-hung window on the second story. The enclosed shed roof porch, constructed circa 1950, has a 4-light wood panel door and a wood 1/1 double-hung window. The floor of the enclosed porch is identical to the porch floor on the front elevation. Attached to the enclosed porch is a modern shed roof entry porch with a handicapped-access ramp, constructed circa 1990.

The rear, or south elevation has a wood 2/2 double-hung window on both the first and second stories of the main block. The rear elevation of the rear ell has a wood 1/1 double-hung window on the first story. The enclosed shed roof porch has a wood 1/1 double-hung window on its south elevation.

The west elevation has a wood 2/2 double-hung window on both the first and second stories of the main block and rear ell.

There are three outbuildings associated with the William Gantt Property. The first outbuilding is a 1-story wagon house located west of the house. The wood-frame building, constructed circa 1910, has a front-gable roof covered with asphalt shingles. The walls are covered with vertical wood siding and the building is supported by concrete block piers. A large shed roof addition is located on the south elevation and the east elevation has a wood double-door. Over the double-door is a small pent roof covered with asphalt shingles.

The second outbuilding is a metal shed (Shed #1) located southwest of the house and south of the wagon house. Constructed circa 1970, the shed has a gable roof and double-doors on the north elevation. The roof and walls are covered with corrugated metal.

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## 7. Description (Continued)

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The third outbuilding on the property is a wood-frame shed (Shed #2) located southwest of the house and south of shed #2. The shed has a shed roof covered with asphalt shingles. The building has vertical wood siding and is supported by concrete block piers. The east elevation has a wood door and 4-light casement windows.

The William Gantt Property is located in a rural setting on the south side of Floral Park Road. The property is bounded on the south by residential properties, on the north and east by woodland and on the west by open space.



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## 8. Significance (Continued)

T.B. was in danger of decline by the end of the nineteenth century. During the 1870s and 1880s, both the Baltimore and Potomac Railroad and the Southern Maryland and Point Lookout Railroad had bypassed T.B. in favor of the village of Brandywine, located two miles to the east. Businesses and other activities favored this location, and T.B. remained a small, crossroads village serving only local farmers and travelers. William G. Becker tried to develop the "Littleworth" subdivision northwest of T.B. during the 1930s, however only a few lots were ever developed. Several dwellings were constructed around the periphery of the village between 1930 and 1950. In 1927, the Governor Crain Highway, now Route 301, was constructed along a new alignment immediately east of T.B. In 1950 Maryland Route 5, which formerly followed Brandywine Road north of T.B. and Old Brandywine Road south of T.B., was moved to a new alignment immediately east of Brandywine Road. Although Route 5 did not result in extensive demolition, T.B. failed quickly after its construction (MHT, PG:85A-33).

The residence on the William Gantt Property is an example of an I-house with a center gable. Built between 1870 and 1910, the characteristic feature of this 1½ or 2½-story residence is the side-gable roof with a centered-gable inspired by Gothic Revival roof forms. At first, the center-gable was steeply pitched like its Gothic counterpart, but soon widened to function as a porch (Gottfried and Jennings 1988, 178). The house type has three to five symmetrical bays, with a central entrance and a room arrangement of two rooms on the first story and either two or four rooms on the second story. Porches are typically full-width and reflect the stylistic trends and woodworking capabilities at the time of construction. Early porches are supported by plain, square posts, while later porches are supported by posts, brackets and delicate scrollwork. Center-gable residences constructed in the twentieth century reflect the Colonial revival style. Palladian and three-part windows replaced Victorian-style windows, cornice returns and boxed cornices were added and a portico was substituted for the full-width porch (Gottfried and Jennings 1988, 178).

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8. Significance (Continued)

National Register Evaluation:

Constructed in 1910, the William Gantt Property is not eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. The property is not eligible under Criterion A, as research conducted indicates no association with any historic events or trends significant in the development of national, state, or local history. Historic research indicates that the property has no association with persons who have made specific contributions to history, and therefore, it does not meet Criterion B. It is not eligible under Criterion C, as it is a ubiquitous building type which lacks architectural significance, as well as material and design integrity. The building has been altered by the application of vinyl siding to most exterior surfaces and the enclosure of the rear porch. In addition, its setting has been altered by the subdivision of its land and the construction of modern residences. Finally, the structure has no known potential to yield important information, and therefore, is not eligible under Criterion D.

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Eligibility recommended \_\_\_\_\_ Eligibility Not Recommended X

Comments

Reviewer, OPS: [Signature] Date: 12/8/98  
Reviewer, NR Program: [Signature] Date: 12/18/98

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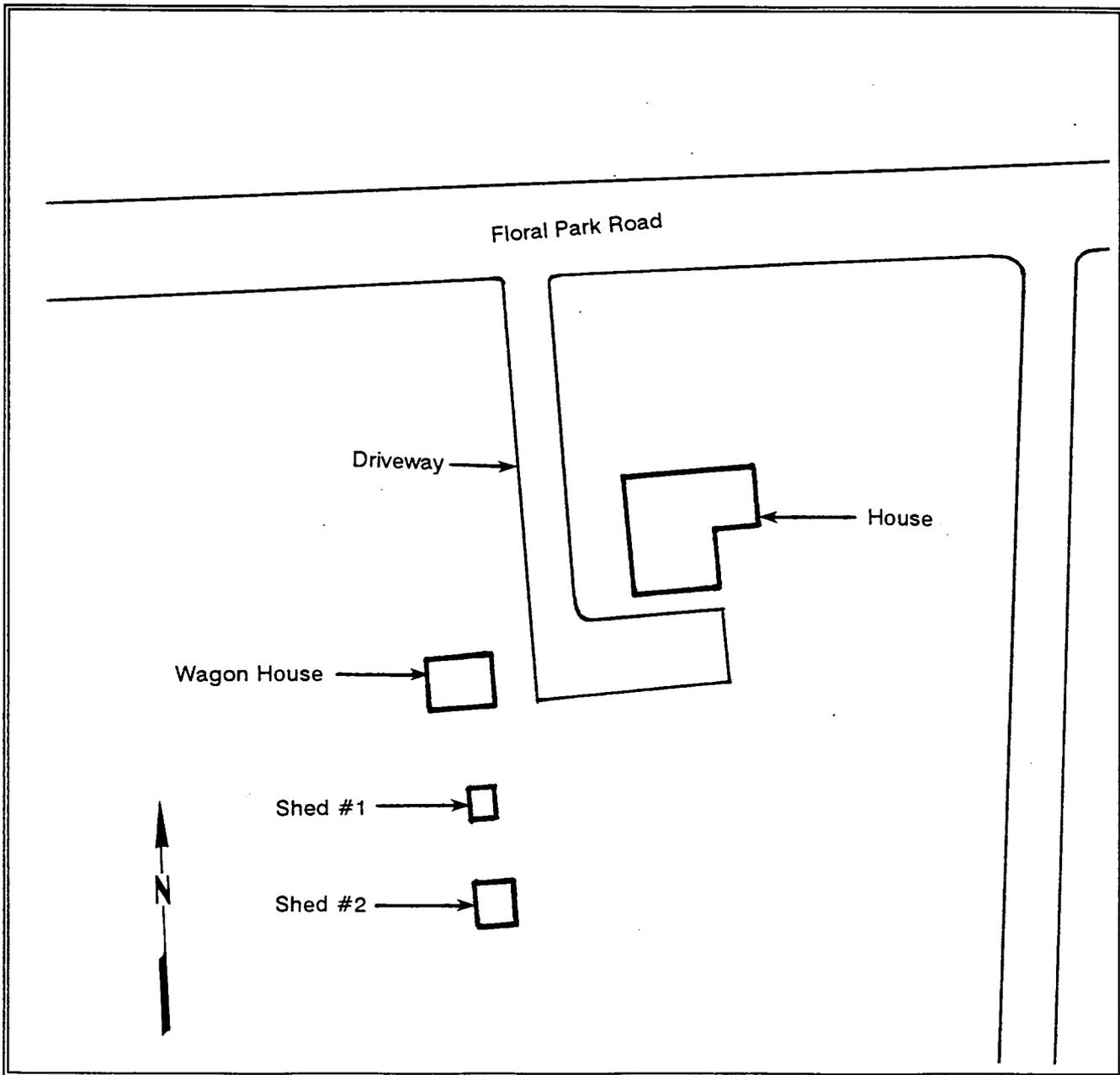
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10. Geographical Data (Continued)

Resource Sketch Map:



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Maryland Comprehensive Historic Preservation Plan Data Sheet

Historic Context:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization:

Western Shore

Chronological/Developmental Period(s):

Industrial/Urban Dominance (A.D. 1870-1930)

Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme(s):

Architecture

RESOURCE TYPE:

Category (see Section 3 of survey form):

Building

Historic Environment (urban, suburban, village, or rural):

Rural

Historic Function(s) and Use(s):

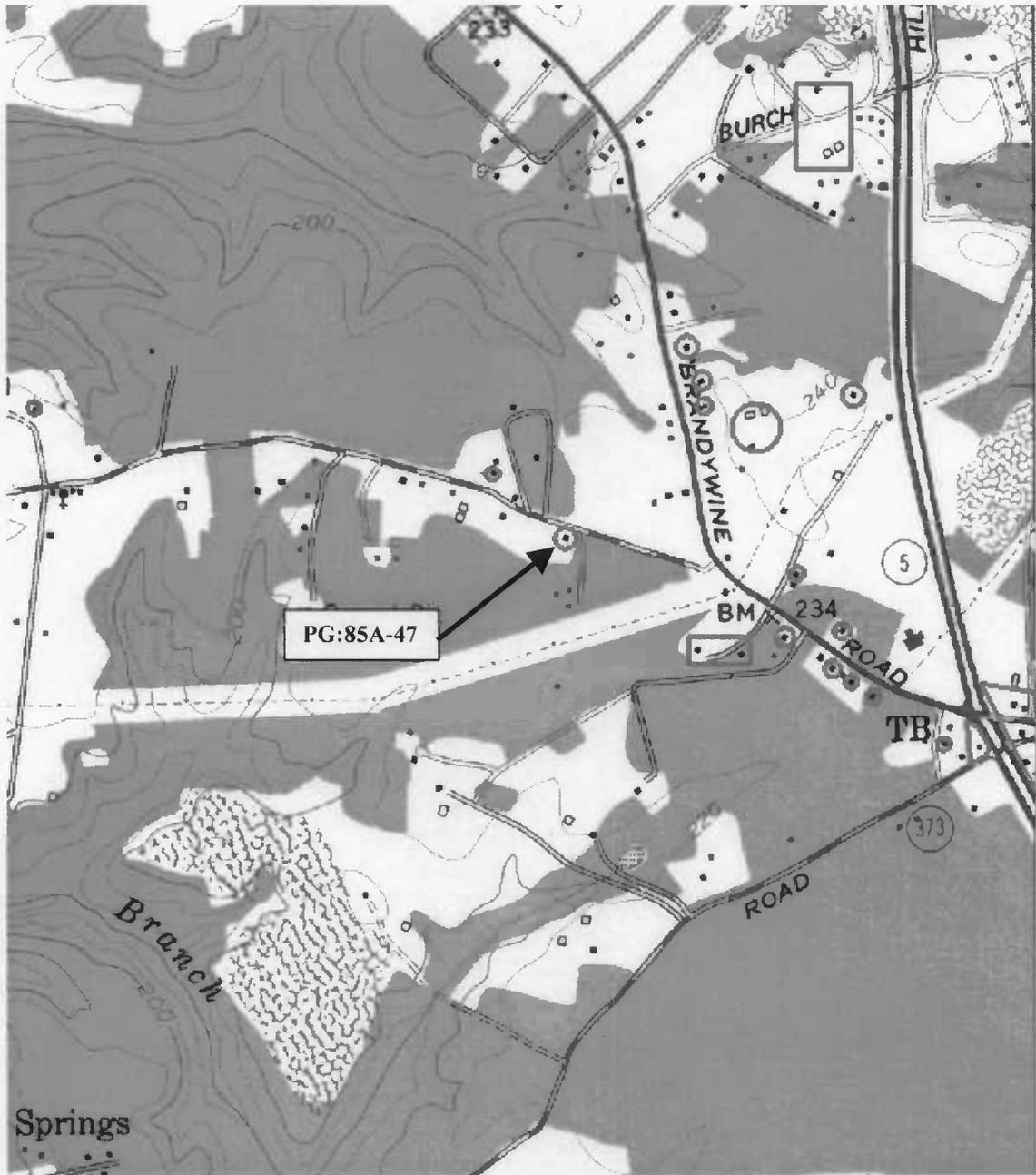
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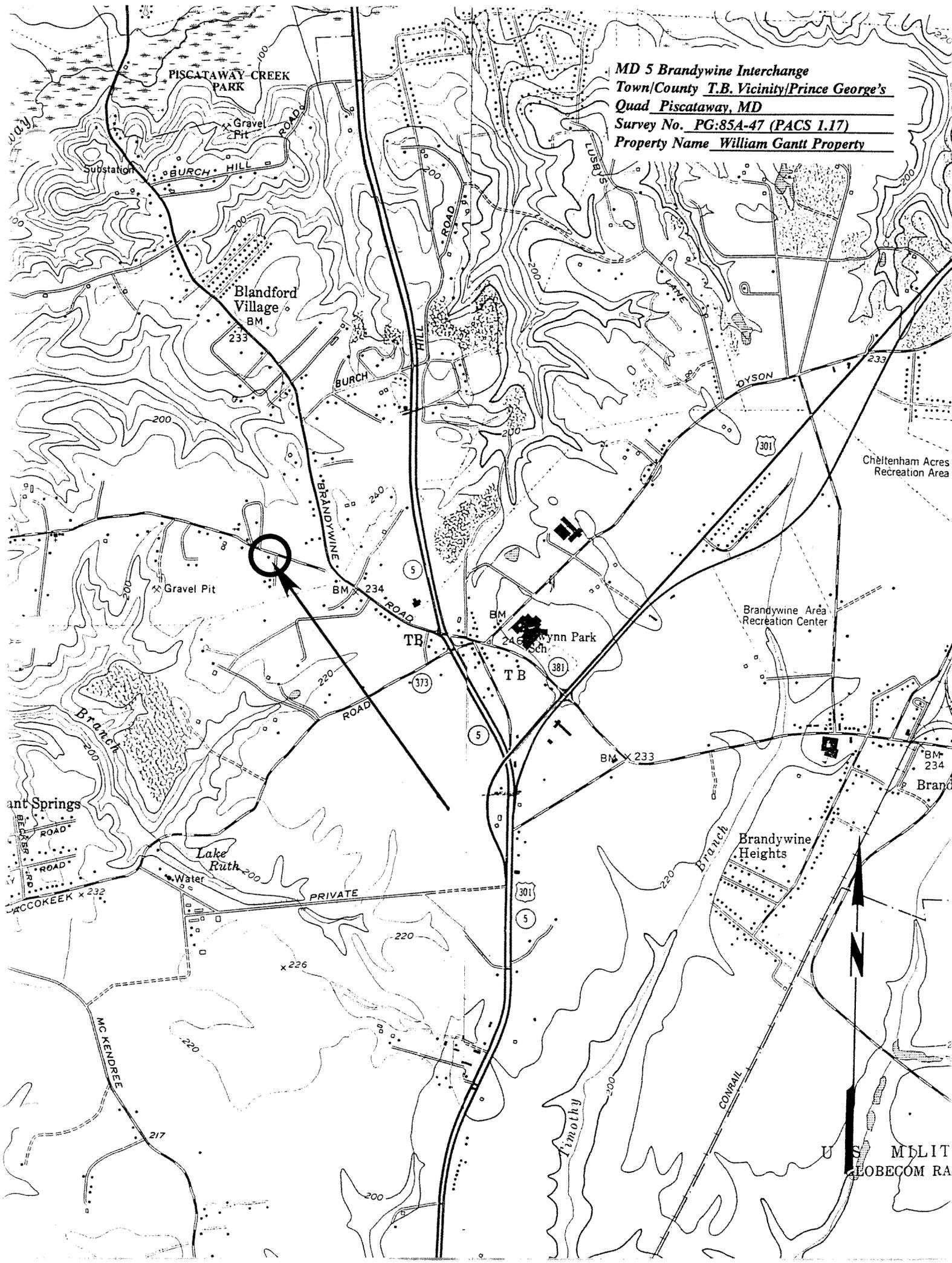
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Preparer:  
P.A.C. Spero & Company  
September 1998

PG:85A-47  
William Gantt Property (Henson Property)  
7001 Floral Park Road  
Piscataway quadrangle



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**Town/County T.B. Vicinity/Prince George's**  
**Quad Piscataway, MD**  
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U.S. MILITARY  
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY



1. PG 85A-47

2. WILLIAM GANTT TESTEMONY

3. THOMAS BROWN'S DEED

THEY ARE BROTHERS

4. 4/15/98

5. Mary Jane Smith

6. JOHN THOMAS TESTEMONY

7. 10/11

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2. 21/21/21 PROPERTY

3. 21/21/21 PROPERTY

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4. 21/21/21 PROPERTY

5. 21/21/21

6. 21/21/21

7. 21/21/21 PROPERTY

8. 21/21/21



1. TG: QCA 4-7
2. WILLIAM SAUNDERS WOODS, JR.
3. FREDERICK SAUNDERS' CO., INC.

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4. THE TOWSON ROAD

5. 9/15/98

6. Maryland 4-70

7. TOWSON ROAD, TOWSON, MD, SE CORNER, VIEW FROM

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1. PG 185A 47

2. LOCAL GOVT PROJECT

3. LOCAL GOVT'S (1)

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4. THE TAMB. 119

5. 9/15/76

6. THE TAMB. 119

7. LOCAL GOVT PROJECTS, SU. 119, 119, 119

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1. DG: 85A-117

2. 10/20/2011 GAINI PROPERTY

3. PRINCE GEORGE'S CO. MD.

Towson/Ho! 05 400\*81 N H N 3 -352

4. 10/20/2011 2150000

5. 10/20/2011

6. 10/20/2011 2150000

7. 10/20/2011 2150000, NW CORNER, 10/20/2011

8. 10/20/2011



1. PG: 85A 47

2. VILLAGE OF GAITHERSBURG

3. PRINCE GEORGE'S CO., MD

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4. TIM TAUBERMAN

5. 275/28 (1994)

6. Maryland 549

7. FLORIDA - 2/22/22 - 2/22/22 - 2/22/22 - 2/22/22 - 2/22/22

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1. TR: SEA 47

2. WEA: AM 31117 + 1005 877

3. PRINCE GEORGE - MD

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4. Sept 1970

5. September 1970

6. Maryland SHPC

7. TREE FLEET FROM 4-100, WASHINGTON STATE, 103-11 211

8. 103-11 211



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2. MIDDLEBURY COLLEGE LIBRARY

3. 1001 FLORAL WOOD RD

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4. THE TOWSON

5. Sept. 1978

6. Maryland SHPO

7. 1001 FLORAL WOOD RD, SHELL #2, MIDDLEBURY

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1. No: 251 177

2. BUNDAH GANTI PROPERTY

3. SIMPEL GRACE SIA, LTD

Towson/ho! 09 400\*81 H H H 3 -042

4. Tim TAMSURANO

5. September 1992

6. May/June 2000

7. 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009

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1. THE BEA - 1972

2. WILSON COUNTY 22 OCT 1972

3. PRINCE GEORGE'S CO. MD

TOWNSHIP 10 400\*81 N N N 3 052

4. THE TOWNSHIP

5. SEPTEMBER 1972

6. MAY 1972

7. THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY 22 OCT 1972

8. 1972



1. - SEP 17

2. WILLIAM GANTT PROPERTY

3. PATRICK GEORGE'S TO ME

Towson! No! 1: 400\*81 NNN3 172

4. - THE TAMBUKIN

5. September 1773

6. MARYLAND STATE

7. 7000 S. PINE PARK ZONE

8. - 1773