

WI-226
Smith House
Allen
Private

c. 1880

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MARYLAND HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN INFORMATION

RESOURCE NAME: SMITH HOUSE

MHT INVENTORY NUMBER: WI-226

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE PLAN DATA

1. Historic Period Theme(s): Architecture
2. Geographic Orientation: Eastern Shore
3. Chronological/Development Period(s): Industrial/Urban Dominance 1870-1930
4. Resource Type(s): Single-family dwelling

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. WI-226

Magi No.

DOE yes no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Thomas W. H. White House

and/or common Smith House

2. Location

street & number 3377 Allen Road ___ not for publication

city, town Allen ___ vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Wicomico

3. Classification

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

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

name Alfred T. and Linda Prestileo

street & number 3369 Allen Road telephone no.:

city, town Allen state and zip code Maryland 21810

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Wicomico County Clerk of Court Map 66, p. 17
liber 992

street & number Wicomico County Courthouse folio 394

city, town Salisbury state MD 21801

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ___ federal ___ state ___ county ___ local

location for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

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Condition

excellent

good

fair

deteriorated

ruins

unexposed

Check one

unaltered

altered

Check one

original site

moved

date of move _____

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

The Smith house is a two-story, three-bay, center hall frame dwelling that stands on the east side of Allen Road in the center of the village of Allen, Wicomico County, Maryland. The two-story, single-pile frame dwelling faces west with the gable roof oriented on a north/south axis.

Estimated to date around 1880, the two-story, three-bay, single-pile frame dwelling is supported by a brick pier foundation, and the exterior is clad with plain weatherboard siding. The medium pitched roof is covered with asphalt shingles, and the bottom edge is finished with a boxed cornice. Attached to the back of the main block is a two-story, one-room plan kitchen wing, and a single-story garage is attached to the back wall of the kitchen by means of a short, single-story hyphen.

The west (main) facade is a symmetrical three-bay elevation with a center entrance and flanking six-over-six sash windows. The front door has a four-panel design. The first floor is sheltered by a turned post porch with square baluster handrail that stretches between posts. The second floor is lighted by three evenly spaced six-over-six sash windows. Defining the corners of the house are paneled pilasters that rise from the ground level to the roof. A pair of interior brick chimneys pierce the roofline.

The north and south gable ends are largely alike with single six-over-six sash windows lighting the first and second floors, and small four-pane windows light the attic. The gable ends of the roof are finished with a slightly extended eave with short returns at the base of the roof.

The east side of the house is largely covered by the two-story, two-bay, one room plan kitchen wing, which is served by an interior end brick stove chimney. On the north side a side door and six-over-six sash window mark the first floor, and a single six-over-six sash window lights the second floor. A single-story shed roofed porch extends from the south side.

The interior was not seen.

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/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates	Builder/Architect
check: Applicable Criteria: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D and/or	
Applicable Exception: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/> E <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> G	
Level of Significance: <input type="checkbox"/> national <input type="checkbox"/> state <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> local	

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

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Due to its intact condition, this house falls into Category B, which identifies properties that should be preserved due to their architectural importance. The house reflects well the modest decoration characteristic of houses erected in Allen during the second half of the nineteenth century. It contributes to the period appearance of the village.

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Smith House
3377 Allen Road
Allen, Wicomico County, Maryland
Chain of title

992/394	Joseph W. T. Smith
	to
6/21/1983	Alfred T. Prestileo Linda Prestileo
AJS 971/453	Geraldine Smith Hoffman, Virginia Beach, Va.
	to
3/22/1982	Joseph W. T. Smith
JWTS 386/419	Juantia Jones, single
	to
6/20/1955	Geraldine Smith Hoffman, Norfolk, Virginia
JWTS 386/417	Geraldine Smith Hoffman James Harvey Hoffman
	to
6/20/1955	Juanita M. Jones
JWTS 310/505	Juanita M. Jones
	to
6/18/1949	Geraldine Smith Hoffman James Harvey Hoffman

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Chain of title continued

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310/503 Eva Allen James, Wildai James
 Mildred Pauline Bell, Joseph H. Bell
 Geraldine Mame Hoffman, James Harvey Hoffman
 Joseph W. T. Smith, Hannah Collier Smith

 to

6/18/1949 Juanita Jones

IDT 201/230 Eva Allen James, et al.

 to

2/11/1937 Mary Elizabeth Smith
 and upon the death of the said Mary Elizabeth
 Smith intestate the property descended to her
 four (4) children Eva Allen James, Mildred
 Pauline Bell, Geraldine Marie Hoffman, Joseph
 W. T. Smith

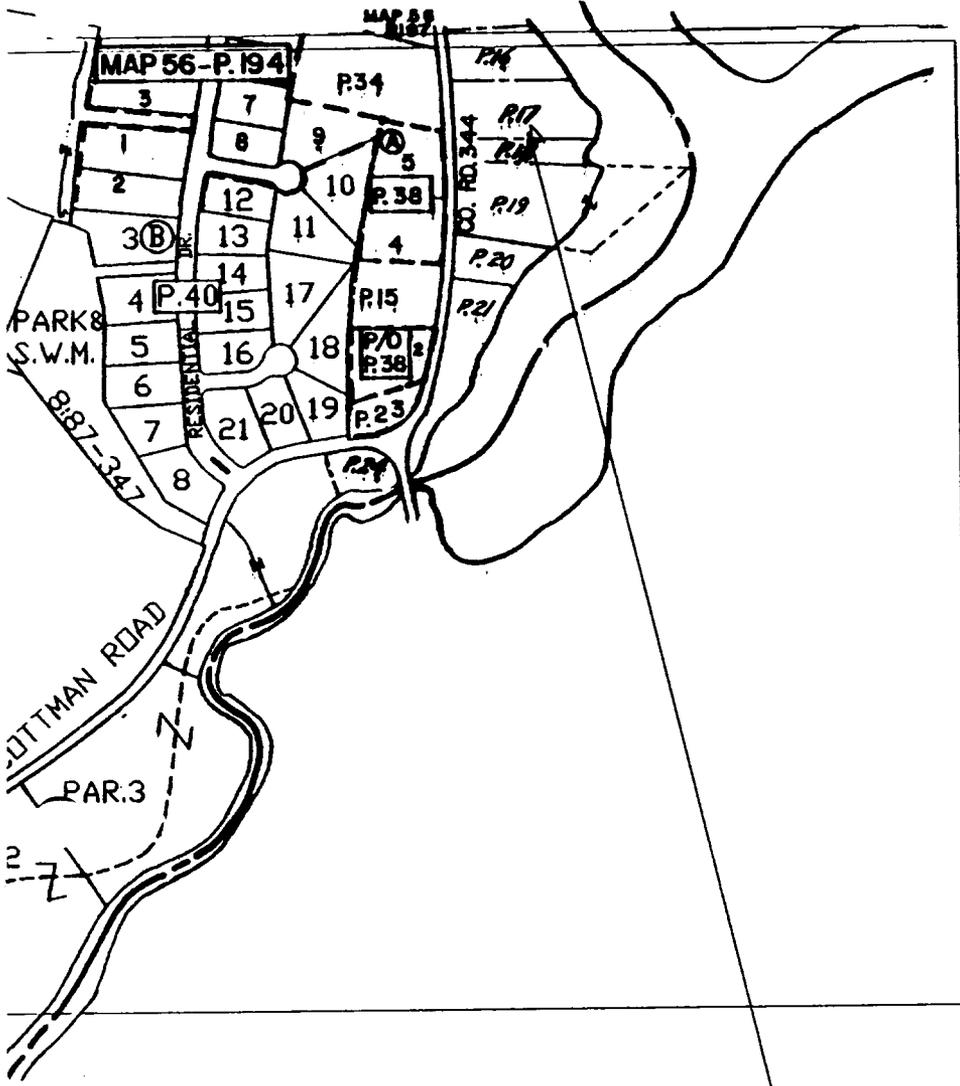
FMS 2/298 Thomas W. H. White
 Henrietta M. White

 to

5/7/1887 Andrew W. Smith
 \$450

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5152421mE

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Smith House
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Allen, Wicomico County, Maryland

Wicomico County Tax Map 66
Parcel 17

Holy Temple

Cem Friendship
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Allen

CREEK

Loretto

Substation

CONRAIL

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Allen, Wicomico County, Maryland

Eden, Maryland Quadrangle
1983

42'30"

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(PRINCESS ANNE)

5860 II NW

SCALE 1:24 000

PRINCESS ANNE

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Smith House

Allen, Wisconsin County, Wisconsin

Nov 18 - 1861

11/96, Lane T. 1861

12/1 / 1861

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