WI-314 c. 1860-70
Dolbey Homeplace
Whitehaven vicinity
Private

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MARYLAND HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN INFORMATION

RESOURCE NAME: Dolbey Homeplace

MHT INVENTORY NUMBER: WI-314

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE PLAN DATA

1. Historic Period Theme(s): Architecture

2. Geographic Orientation: Eastern Shore

3. Chronological/Development Period(s): Agricultural-Industrial Transition 1815-1870

4. Resource Type(s): Single-family dwelling

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Maryland Historical Trust
State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Survey No. WI-314

Magi No.

DOE __yes __no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Dolbey Homeplace

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 2916 Whitehaven Road ___ not for publication

city, town Whitehaven __X vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Wicomico

3. Classification

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

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

name Amelia J. Dikos

street & number 2916 Whitehaven Road telephone no.:

city, town Whitehaven state and zip code MD 21873

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Wicomico County Clerk of Court Map 65, P. 110 liber 1329

street & number Wicomico County Courthouse folio 780

city, town Salisbury state MD 21801

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
___ excellent	___ deteriorated	___ unaltered	_x_ original site
_x_ good	___ ruins	_x_ altered	___ moved date of move _____
___ fair	___ unexposed		

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

The Dolbey homeplace stands at 2916 Whitehaven Road on the north side of Whitehaven, Wicomico County, Maryland. The two-story, three-bay frame house faces east with the gable roof oriented on an east/west axis.

Estimated to date around 1860-70, the two-story, side hall/double-pile frame house is supported by a low brick pier foundation, and the exterior is sheathed with asbestos shingles. The medium pitched gable roof is covered with asphalt shingles. Attached to the back of the main block is a shorter two-story, three-bay kitchen wing.

The east (main) elevation is a three-bay facade with a side entrance located in the south bay and two six-over-six sash windows marking the other two openings. The windows are flanked by fixed aluminum shutters. The heavily molded four-panel door is topped by a two-light transom and sidelights. The second floor is lighted by three evenly spaced six-over-six sash windows. The gable end is finished with an enclosed pediment pierced by a single six-over-six sash window. The pediment is defined by a boxed cornice. Trimming the corners of the house are plain pilasters that stretch from the ground level to the base of the pediment.

The south side is defined by pairs of six-over-six sash windows that light the first and second floors, and the base of the roof is finished with a boxed cornice. Rising through the center of the house is a brick chimney.

The west (rear) wall is largely covered by the two-story, three-bay kitchen wing, which is extended by shed roofed sections to each side. The kitchen wing is not as tall as the main block, and a single six-over-six sash window lights the attic of the main house. The north side of the kitchen wing is sheltered by a screened in porch, and a center, partially glazed door is flanked by six-over-six sash windows. The second floor is lighted by a narrow four-over-four sash window. The base of the roof is finished with a boxed cornice. Rising against the west gable end of the kitchen wing is an exterior, single flue brick stove chimney.

The interior was not seen.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
___ prehistoric	___ archeology-prehistoric	___ community planning	___ landscape architecture	___ religion
___ 1400–1499	___ archeology-historic	___ conservation	___ law	___ science
___ 1500–1599	___ agriculture	___ economics	___ literature	___ sculpture
___ 1600–1699	X architecture	___ education	___ military	___ social/ humanitarian
___ 1700–1799	___ art	___ engineering	___ music	___ theater
X 1800–1899	___ commerce	___ exploration/settlement	___ philosophy	___ transportation
___ 1900–	___ communications	___ industry	___ politics/government	___ other (specify)
		___ invention		

Specific dates **Builder/Architect**

check: Applicable Criteria: ___A ___B X C ___D
and/or
Applicable Exception: ___A ___B ___C ___D ___E ___F ___G

Level of Significance: ___national ___state X local

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

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The house deserves listing in *Category B*, which identifies buildings of architectural and/or historical merit. Standing on the periphery of the village of Whitehaven, the house contributes to the historic nature of the community.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____ **Quadrangle scale** _____

UTM **References** do NOT complete UTM references

	Zone	Easting	Northing		Zone	Easting	Northing
A				B			
C				D			
E				F			
G				H			

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	Paul B. Touart, Architectural Historian		
organization	Private Consultant	**date**	7/24/96
street & number	P. O. Box 5	**telephone**	410-651-1094
city or town	Westover	**state**	Maryland 21871

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Whitehaven vicinity, Wicomico County, Maryland
Chain of title

Map 65, Parcel 110

1329/780	Kelly C. Seagraves Mark E. Seagraves
	to
3/15/1993	Amelia J. Dikos
	Plat drawn 3/8/1993
MSB 1249/124	Arthur L. Cornell Cory A. Cornell
	to
3/14/1991	Mark E. Seagraves Kelly C. Seagraves
	10 acres
A J S 1047/803	Robert B. Drudge Rachel L. Stewart
	to
9/19/1985	Arthur L. Cornell Cory A. Cornell
	$50,000 10 acres

A J S	Harold N. Hackman Carol A. Hackman
	to
11/27/1978	Arthur L. Cornell Cory A. Cornell
	$51,200.00
A J S 887/297	Donald R. Strick Diane C. Strick
	to
11/15/1977	Harold N. Hackman Carol A. Hackman
	10 acres
A J S 814/59	John Wagurak Norma H. Wagurak
	to
2/8/1974	Donald R. and Diane C. Strick

JWTS 636/168	Harry A. Patterson, Sr.
	to
9/2/1966	John Wagurak Norma H. Wagurak
JWTS 627/570	Tony R. Strick Lorine G. Strick
	to
4/19/1966	Harry A. Patterson, Sr.
JWTS 536/413	M. Vance Dolbey and wife, Ruth K. Dolbey
	to
3/9/1962	Tony R. Strick
	10 acres

Will Book
JAH 1/525

Last Will and Testament of Jehu D. Dolbey

to

Written
3/26/1933
Proved
9/3/1937

M. Vance Dolbey

3 (b) I give and devise to my son, M. Vance Dolbey of the City of Washington, D. C. the Home Place where my father resided during his lifetime and at the time of his death....

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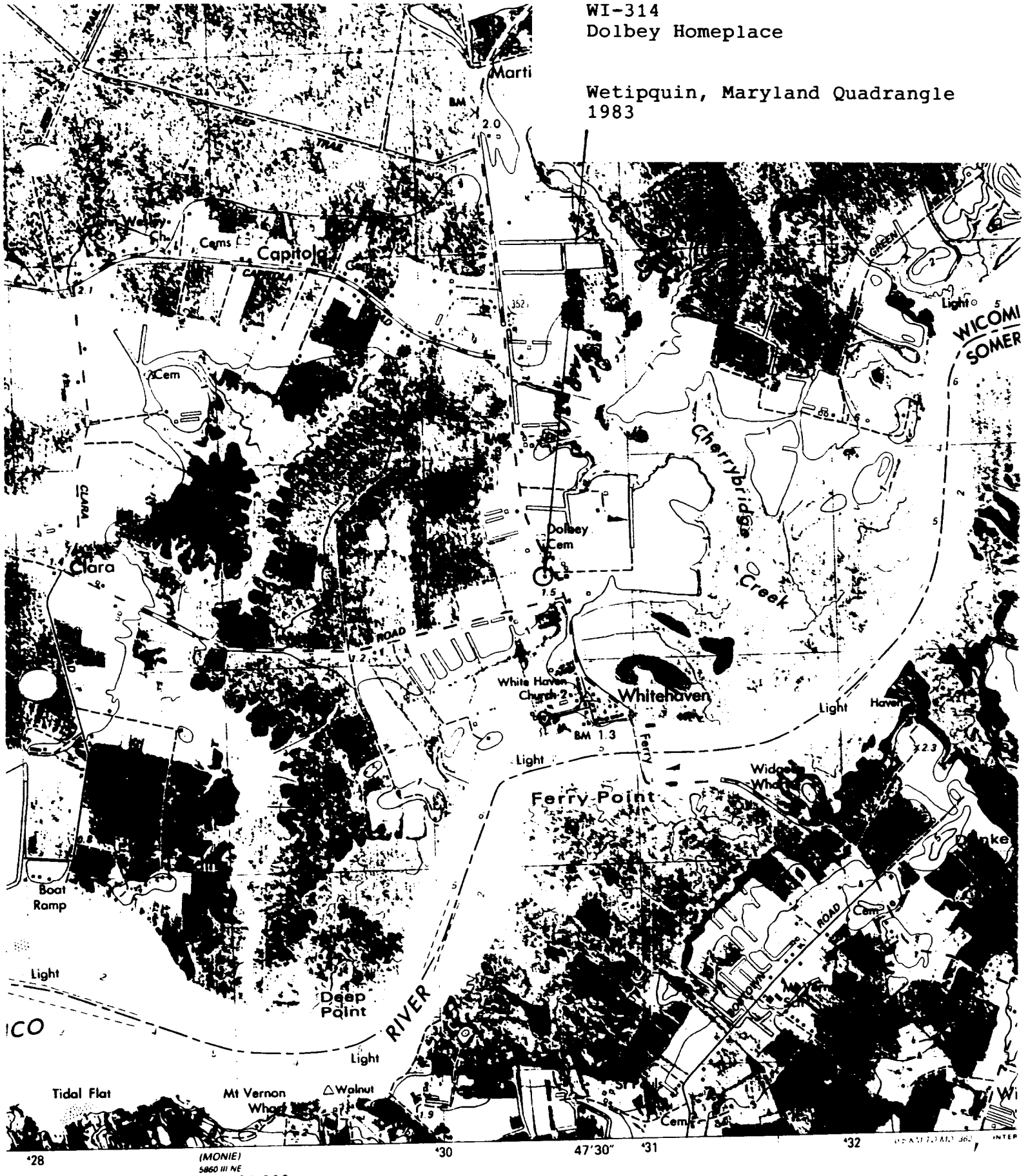
Wetipquin, Maryland Quadrangle
1983



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CONTOUR INTERVAL 1 METER

Primary highway
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Secondary highw
hard surface

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