

WI-324
Marcellus J. Larmore House
Tyaskin
Private

c. 1870-80

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MARYLAND HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN INFORMATION

RESOURCE NAME: Marcellus J. Larmore House

MHT INVENTORY NUMBER: WI-324

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-324

Magi No.

DOE yes no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Marcellus J. Larmore House

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 21302 Tyaskin Wharf Road not for publication

city, town Tyaskin 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 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 Richard L. and Louetta S. Pryor

street & number 21302 Tyaskin Wharf Road telephone no.:

city, town Tyaskin state and zip code MD 21865

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Wicomico County Clerk of Court Map 43, P. 55
liber 531

street & number Wicomico County Courthouse folio 474

city, town Salisbury state MD 21801

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date federal state county local

pository 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

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

The Marcellus J. Larmore house stands at 21302 Tyaskin Wharf Road on the northern edge of the community of Tyaskin, Wicomico County, Maryland. The two-story, four-bay frame house faces west with the gable oriented on a north/south axis.

Built around 1870-1880, the two-story, four-bay main block is supported on an infilled brick pier foundation, and the exterior is clad with asbestos shingles. The steeply pitched roof is covered with asphalt shingles. Attached to the south gable end of the main block is a story-and-a-half, one-room plan wing. Extending from the east side of the main block is another single story wing.

The west (main) elevation is a four-bay facade sheltered on the first floor by a turned post porch embellished with sawn corner brackets. The porch extends across the front of the south end wing as well as around the north gable end of the main house. The porch shelters the front door as well as two-over-two sash windows that light the first floor. The second floor of the main house is lighted by four evenly spaced two-over-two sash windows. An internal brick stove stack rises through the center of the house.

The south gable end of the main block is largely covered by the story-and-a-half two-bay wing that is pierced by a west side by a front door. The wing is lighted by two-over-two sash windows. A single two-over-two sash window marks the gable end, which is finished with an extended eave.

The east side of the main block is partially covered by the single story gable roofed rear wing, which shares the many of the same features as the rest of the house. Two-over-two sash windows mark each elevation.

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/ 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 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
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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The house deserves listing in *Category B*.

1 Wicomico County Land Record, FMS 3/13, 10/8/1887, Wicomico County Courthouse.

2 Wicomico County Land Record, JTT 12/17, 9/11/1893, Wicomico County Courthouse.

3 Wicomico County Land Record, 531/474, 12/20/1961, Wicomico County Courthouse.

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Chain of title

Map 43, Parcel 55

531/474

Ernest M. Larmore and Mattie Larmore
Alice A. Larmore, widow, W. Lester Larmore,
and Ruby Larmore, Ethel J. Larmore, Mary L.
Larmore, Edgar H. Langrall, Rebecca L. Griffith,
Benjamin Griffith, Priscilla Walter, Delmas Walter

to

12/20/1961

Richard L. Pryor
Louetta S. Pryor

JTT 12/17

Edwin L. Mudgett, Johnstown, Cambria Co. Pa.

to

9/11/1893

Marcellus W. J. Larmore

\$600.00 all that lot or parcel with improvements
thereon 4 acres

FMS 3/13-14

John A. Insley
Clara V. Insley

to

10/8/1887

Edwin L. Mudgett

\$500.00 4 acres

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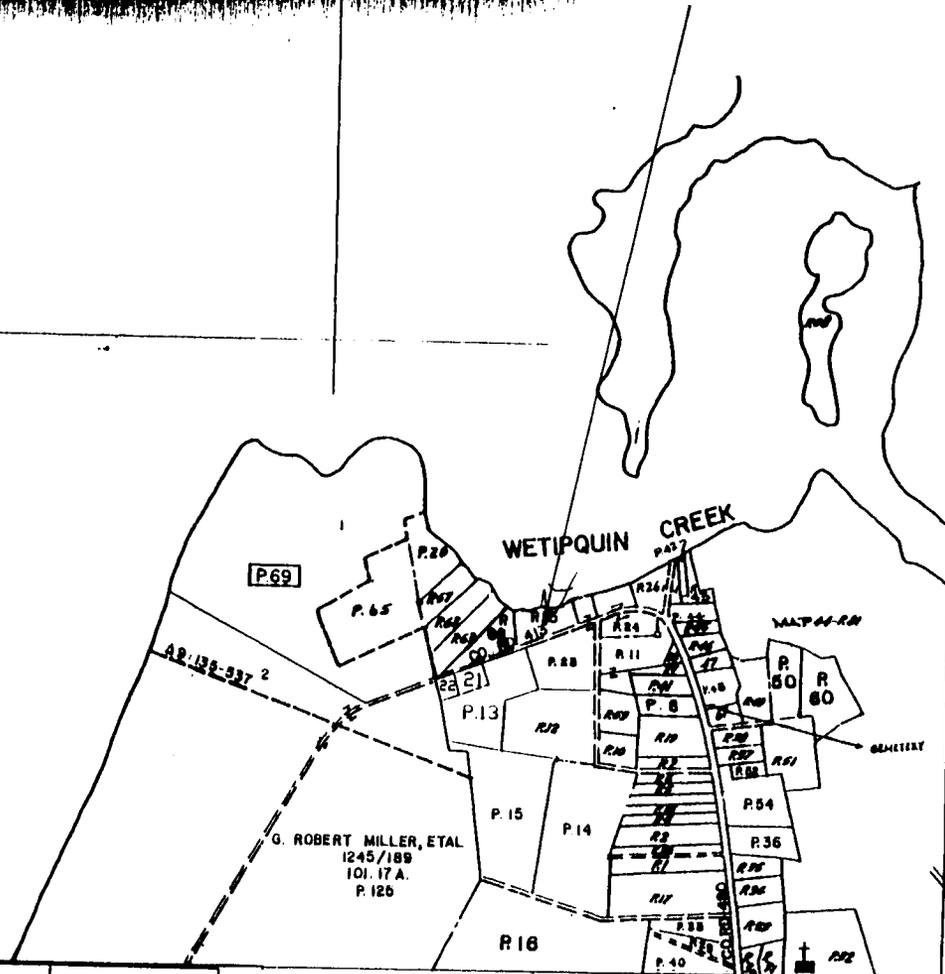
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Wicomico County Tax Map 43

Parcel 55

VANTICOKE RIVER

183



180

73380.3mN
498783.0mE

WICOMICO COUNTY,
MARYLAND

1121

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MAP NO.
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PROPERTY MAP DIVISION

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FROM DEED DESCRIPTIONS AND IS NOT AN ACTUAL SURVEY.
FIELD NOT BE USED FOR LEGAL DESCRIPTIONS. USINGS
G ERRORS ARE URGED TO NOTIFY THE PROPERTY
DIVISION, 301 W. PRESTON ST., BALTIMORE, MD 21201

PROPERTY LINE
SUBDIVISION BOUNDARY
CONTINUING OWNERSHIP - Z - Z - Z - Z
PARCEL NUMBERING - P.### (ASSIGNED TO IDENTIFY AND INDEX OWNERSHIP.
MUST BE PRECEDED BY A MAP NUMBER)

SCALE 1"=600' (RF 17200)



DATE	LIBER	BY	LAST P. NO.	PHOTO	QUADRANGLE
JUNE '94		TF			

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Nanticoke, Maryland Quadrangle
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