WI-517 c. 1890
Phillips-Feldman House
Salisbury
Private

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Maryland Inventory of
Historic Properties Form

Inventory No. W I-517

1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic

other Phillips-Feldman House

2. Location

street and number 406 Camden Avenue not for publication

city, town Salisbury vicinity

county Wicomico

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

name Randolph Taylor

street and number 403 Camden Avenue telephone

city, town Salisbury state MD zip code 21801

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Wicomico County Clerk of Court tax map and parcel Map 111, P. 1512

city, town Salisbury, Maryland liber 1146 folio 590

5. Primary Location of Additional Data

Contributing Resource in National Register District
X **Contributing Resource in Local Historic District**
Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
Recorded by HABS/HAER
Historic Structure Report or Research Report at MHT
Other:

6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function		Resource Count	
				Contributing	Noncontributing
district	public	agriculture	landscape	1	buildings
x building(s)	x private	commerce/trade	recreation/culture		sites
structure	both	defense	religion		structures
site		x domestic	social		objects
object		education	transportation		
		funerary	work in progress	1	Total
		government	unknown		
		health care	vacant/not in use		
		industry	other:		

Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory

7. Description

Condition

	excellent	deteriorated
x	good	ruins
	fair	altered

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

The Phillips-Feldman house, also commonly known as the Feldman apartment house, stands at 406 Camden Avenue in the Camden Historic District of Salisbury, Wicomico County, Maryland. The two-and-a-half story Queen Anne frame dwelling faces east with the steeply pitched hip roof oriented on an east/west axis. The house is divided into multiple apartments.

Built around 1890, the two-and-a-half story Queen Anne style dwelling is supported on a raised brick foundation and the exterior is uniformly clad with a layer of asbestos shingles. The steeply pitched hip roof as well as the multiple gables and octagonal tower on the southeast corner are covered with slate.

The east (main) elevation is an asymmetrical facade with a center entrance and enclosed two-story porches to each side. Banks of nine-over-one sash windows flank a Victorian porch defined by turned posts. The entrance is recessed and is topped by a large three-pane transom. The second floor porches are lighted by nine-over-one sash windows as well. The roof of the main block is marked by asymmetrical forms typical of Queen Anne domestic architecture. Defining the southeast corner is an octagonal tower pierced by twelve-over-one sash windows. The peak of the octagonal tower roof is capped by a metal finial. Marking the northeast corner is a large gabled dormer pierced by tripartite series of eight-over-two sash windows. The triple window is capped by a small shed roof with simple console brackets under the boxed cornice. Fixed between the octagonal tower and the gable is a semi-hexagonal rooftop vent with louvered sides and a slate roof. The roof of the vent as well as that of the main house are capped by a copper cresting. Rising off-center through the house are two large brick chimney stacks finished with corbelled caps.

The side elevations are asymmetrical facades with large gable roof dormers. The rear elevation is an asymmetrical facade as well with an exterior staircase that serves multiple apartments.

The interior has been reworked several times during the mid to late twentieth century. Some of the original Victorian woodwork, including four-panel doors and carved mantels, survive in various apartments.

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8. Significance

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Period		Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
1600-1699		agriculture	economics	health/medicine	performing arts
1700-1799		archeology	education	industry	philosophy
x 1800-1899	x	architecture	engineering	invention	politics/government
_ 1900-1999		art	entertainment/ recreation	landscape architecture	religion
2000-		commerce		law	science
		communications	ethnic heritage	literature	social history
		community planning	exploration/ settlement	maritime history	transportation
		conservation		military	other:

Significance dates **Architect**

Specific dates **Builder**

Evaluation for:

National Register _Maryland Register x not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance reports, complete evaluation on a DOE Form – see manual.)

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[1] Wicomico County Land Record, FMS 5/348, 24 December 1889.

[2] Salisbury City Directory, 1907, Family Tree Bookshop, 1998, p. 41.

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[3] Wicomico County Land Record, JCK 114/313, 12 April 1919.

[4] Wicomico County Land Record, IDT 157/337, 15 November 1928.

[5] Wicomico County Land Record, JWTS 337/67, 30 January 1952.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of project area
Acreage surveyed 1/4 acre
Quadrangle name Salisbury, Maryland Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification

The historic boundary of this property coincides with the metes and bounds of the current lot.

11. Form Prepared by

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organization	Private Consultant	
street & number	P. O. Box 5	date 9/10/2000
city or town	Westover, Maryland 21871	**phone 410-651-1094**

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.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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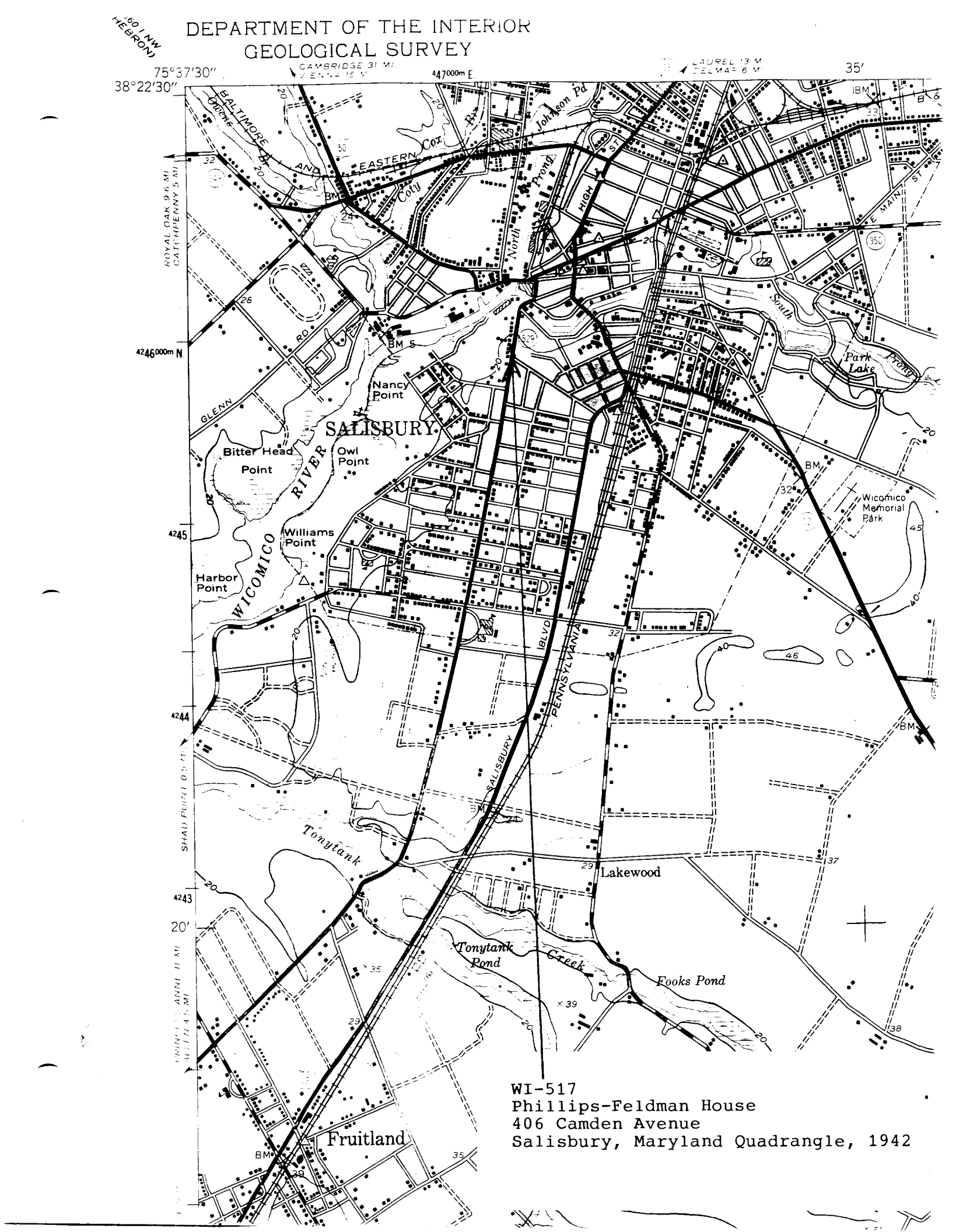
406 Camden Avenue
Salisbury, Wicomico County, Maryland
Chain of title

Map 111, Parcel 1512

1146/590	Richard Vernon Jeffrey T. Vernon
	to
5/16/1988	Meridan Company Item 2
AJS 983/601	Steve Rebach Judith Ann Rebach
	to
1/14/1983	Jeffrey T. Vernon Richard J. Vernon
AJS 925/448	Ronald R. Vail Carol C. Vail
	to
9/31/1979	Steve Rebach Judith Ann Rebach 42' x 206'
	1. from Wm G. Rayfield, 12/22/1971, JWTS 749/133
	2. from Carl B. Wolitzky, 6/26/1975, AJS 842/552
	1. to W. G. Rayfield from Doris M. Worm, 12/30/1970, 749/127

749/127	John-Clarence North William G. Rayfield T/A Peninsula Real Estate
	to
12/30/1970	Doris M. Worm
JWTS 525/39	Feldman Investment Corporation
	to
8/28/1961	William G. Rayfield John-Clarence North T/A Peninsula Real Estate and Mortgage Service Company
JWTS 337/67	William Feldman Esther S. Feldman
	to
1/30/1952	Feldman Investment Corporation
IDT 157/337	Anne J. Riffe, widow
	to
11/15/1928	Samuel S. Feldman William Feldman known as 235 Camden Avenue

JCK 118/349	George E. Richardson
	to
8/10/1920	Herbert Riffe Anna J. Riffe
JCK 114/351	S. Franklyn Woodcock
	to
12/1/1919	George E. Richardson
JCK 114/313	G. William Phillips, et al.
	to
4/12/1919	S. Franklyn Woodcock
FMS 5/348	Richard W. Jackson
	to, sister
12/24/1889	Libby E. Phillips
FMS 4/451	Mary E. Roten
	to
4/12/1889	Richard W. Jackson $1,000



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Phillips-Feldman House
406 Camden Avenue
Salisbury, Maryland Quadrangle, 1942

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SALISBURY, [illegible] COUNTY, MD.

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