

Mr. Richard L. Steiner

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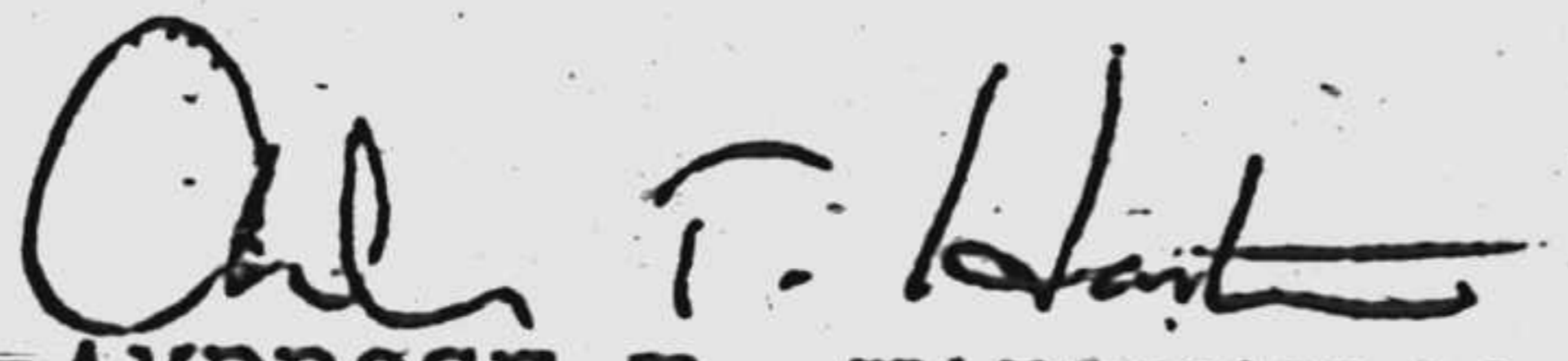
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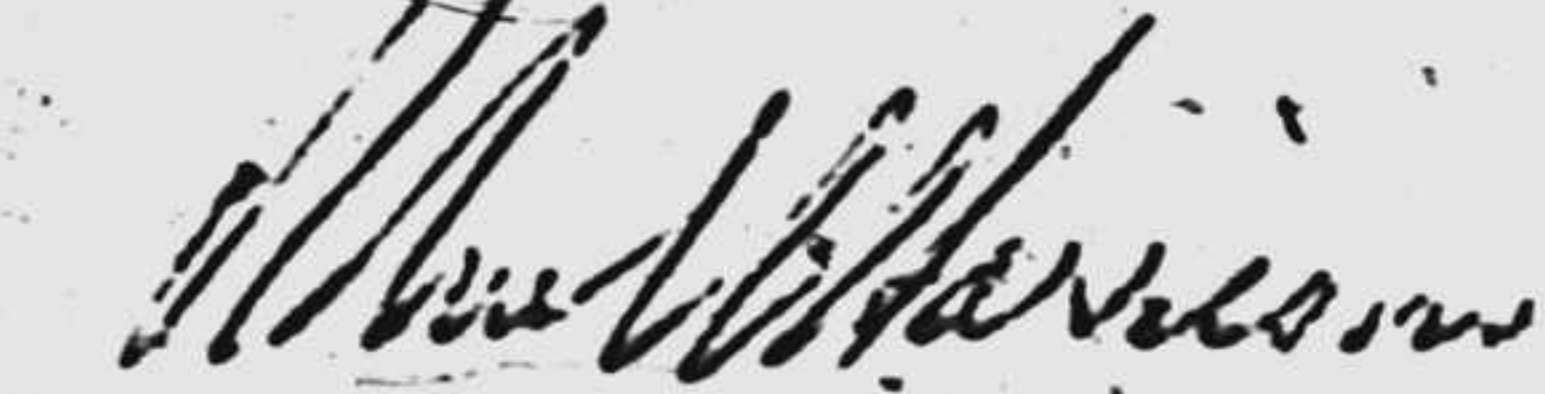
suitable and comparable location within the State of Maryland to be provided by such religious body. Such damages shall be in addition to the damages to be awarded for the land on which the condemned structure is located."

It is clear that Section 5 (d) refers only to those buildings which are used exclusively as places of worship and not to buildings such as the one in question which is used partly as a place of worship and partly as a place of residence. We are fortified in our opinion by the case of Mayor and City Council v. Antoinette V. Linares, et al, in the Superior Court of Baltimore City, File No. 74006, Docket 1962, Folio 832. The Court, speaking through the Honorable Joseph R. Byrnes, held that residence which had been converted for church purposes, was not entitled to be valued as provided in Section 5 (d) of Article 33 A, but was to be valued by the conventional methods of determining Fair Market Value.

We trust that this opinion fully answers your question.

Very truly yours,


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