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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES REGISTRATION FORM

1 Name of December.	
1. Name of Property	
historic name: William Smith House	
other name/site number: Ohio Historic Invento	ry #SUM-1531-19
2. Location	
street & number: 7894 Main Street	
	not for publication: N/F
city/town: Clinton	vicinity: na
state: OH county: Summit code: 153	zip code: 44216
3. State/Federal Agency Certification	
As the designated authority under the Nationa of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that the request for determination of eligibility meet standards for registering properties in the N Historic Places and meets the procedural and set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, does not meet the National Register Critisheet. Dapt. Head Planning Inventor of Certifying official	is _ X _ nomination s the documentation ational Register of professional requirements the property _ X _ meets eria See continuation
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____ buildings ____ sites ____ structures objects Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register: ___0_

Name of related multiple property lis Resources of the Village of Clinton/Wa	sting: Canal, Railroad, and Industrial rwick.
6. Function or Use	
Historic: Domestic	Sub: Single dwelling
Current : Domestic	Sub: Single dwelling
7. Description	
Architectural Classification: Other: V	
Other Description: Queen Anne Details	
Materials: foundation Sandstone walls Wood weatherboar	
Describe present and historic physical sheet.	appearanceX_ See continuation
8. Statement of Significance Certifying official has considered the relation to other properties:	
Applicable National Register Criterion	С
Criteria Considerations (Exceptions) :	N/A
Areas of Significance: Architecture	
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Period(s) of Significance:1895-1920	
Significant Dates, Historic, 1895 191	6 1919

Significant Person(s):N/A
Cultural Affiliation: N/A
Architect/Builder:
State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above. X See continuation sheet.
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preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested. previously listed in the National Register previously determined eligible by the National Register designated a National Historic Landmark recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # recorded by Historic American Engineering Record #
Primary Location of Additional Data:
State historic preservation office Other state agency X Federal agency Local government University Other Specify Repository:
10. Geographical Data
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See continuation sheet.

Verbal Boundary Description: ___ See continuation sheet. Pumroy Lots 47 and 54.

Boundary Justification: ___ See continuation sheet. The nominated property contains the building that is historically associated with the Railroad Era heritage of the Village of Clinton and continues to retain its historic integrity.

11. Form Prepared By

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Additional Documentation

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Maps

A USGS map indicating the property's location.

Figure 1 Site and photo map.

Figure 2 First Floor plan map.

Figure 3 Second Floor plan map.

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Description

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Built circa 1895, the Smith House is a wood balloon-frame, front-gabled Queen Anne. The house gables contain a diamond shingle treatment. The Smith House has gable roof dormers on the east and west side of the building and both dormers are covered with wood shingles, similar to the gable treatment. The house is clad with horizontal wood siding with corner boards and all roofs are covered with asphalt-tab shingles. A chimney is located in the center of the roof. The house's foundation is cut sandstone with a full basement under the core section of the building.

A front porch is supported by square columns and wraps around the north and west elevations of the house (photo 2). The porch entrance is located at its northwest corner. The entrance is detailed with a saw-tooth treatment and serves as the façade "entry" to the porch and house (photo 2).

Doors are located along the north, west, and south elevations of the house. The doors on the north and west elevations appear to be original. The door along the façade (north elevation) of the house contains a large, oval, leaded-glass panel over a garland-ornamented panel. The door along the west elevation has a single glazed panel and eight colored-glass panels over four sunburst panels.

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The addition (27'x 22') along the south side of the house (photos 8) contains a dining room, kitchen, and bathroom. The addition includes a door (south elevation), several full-size windows as well as two fixed multi-paned windows. A shed-roof entry porch is on the southwest elevation of the addition (photo 8).

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A gable-roofed garage is situated southeast of the house (photos 9-12). According to the Summit County Auditor's records, the garage was built in 1919. The garage is covered with wood siding and the roof is clad with asphalt tab shingles. There is a gabled cupola in the center of the roof. Paired windows are located in the north gable apex and the south apex has a door/window opening. The building has two overhead doors along the south side, facing the alley. All of the full-size windows are one-over-one with plain surrounds. A door is located on the north side of the building. The garage is considered a contributing resource.

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Photographs

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County and State: Summit County, Ohio

Photographer: Sam Tamburro

Date of Photograph: January 2003

Location of the Negatives: Cuyahoga Valley NP

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Statement of Significance

The William Smith House meets the registration requirements for properties eligible under Criteria C as specified in the <u>Canal</u>, <u>Railroad</u>, and <u>Industrial Resources of Clinton/Warwick Multiple</u> <u>Property Documentation Form (Clinton MPD)</u>.

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Historical Background

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Historical Background (continued)

In 1852, lot 47 was purchased by John Russell from William Pumroy. According to the Summit County Tax Auditor's <u>Duplicates</u>, a house was added to lot 47 the following year. The 1856 Summit County Property Atlas indicates that a structure existed on the lot. An interview with a historian from the Village of Clinton indicates that the lot originally contained a Greek Revival house.

In 1880, Jacob Breitenstine purchased the property from John Russell. Three years later Breitenstine sold the property to William Smith. Smith also purchased the adjacent lot 55. Smith co-owned a large lumbering operation in the Village of Clinton. The lumber yard was located on Oradden Lots 10, 11, and 12 near the O&E Canal. The 1890-91 Akron and Summit County Directory describes William Smith's lumber mill in the following manner:

W.H. Smith, Contractor and Builder, Planing and Saw Mill. Dealers in Rough and Dressed Lumber, Doors, Sash, Blinds, Shingles, etc., also agents for Gaar, Scott & CO's, Portable and Traction Engines, Saw Mills and Threshers. Clinton, Ohio.²

Smith ran a large operation and the business proved to be an important part of the community's economy. The tax valuations on the house remained consistent throughout the 1880s at \$330. In 1895, the property's value increased to \$670 with the notation in the Summit County Tax Auditor's Duplicates to "add house." It

^{1 1853} Summit County Tax Auditor's Duplicates.

² 1890-91 Akron and Summit County Directory, (N.H. Birch & Company, 1891), 462.

^{3 1895} Summit County Tax Auditor's Duplicates.

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Historical Background (continued)

appears that the core section of the house was built in 1895. The Summit County tax records indicate that the rear (south) additions were added in the early twentieth century. The 1916 Summit County Tax Auditor's <u>Duplicates</u> indicate that the property value increased over \$1,000. Moreover, two historic photographs from that period show the existence of the additions along the west elevation (figures 5 and 6). The garage was added to the property in 1919. The historic photographs also indicate that the wraparound porch was "remodeled" around 1920. Figure 5 shows the porch detailed with turned spindle posts and balustrade. Figure 6, a photograph taken around 1920, indicates that the porch was updated. Alterations included the removal of the diagonal, corner entrance and the replacement of the turned posts and balustrade with square posts, a shingled parapet, and shallow arches.

The 1927 Sanborn Insurance Map reveals that the south elevation of the house contained another addition separate from the main structure (see figure 4). This addition is no longer extant.

William Smith continued to serve as an important figure in Clinton's business community during the first decade of the twentieth century. As the <u>Clinton Story</u> notes, Smith was one of the founding members and a member of the board of directors of the Clinton Savings Bank and a director of the Franklin Industrial Company in Warwick.⁴

Smith died in 1917, leaving the house to his wife and family. For most of the twentieth century, Smith daughter, Effie Ikins,

⁴ Sandra Walsh Dreurey, <u>The Clinton Story</u>, (Clinton Historical Society: Clinton, Ohio, 1991), 15, 159.

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lived in the house. More recent owners include the Urians and Bruno and Joyce Romansky, the current owners.

Criterion C: Architecture

The William Smith House contains significant characteristics of construction practices associated with Railroad Era in the village of Clinton as defined in the Clinton MPD).

The William Smith House evidences features associated with the vernacular interpretation of the Queen Anne building tradition, which is identified in the <u>Clinton MPD</u> as being representative of one of the architectural styles in the Village of Clinton after the Civil War. The house (c. 1895) is a homestead-type house, a front-gable, rectangular plan building. The porch is one-story high and extends along the north and west sides of the house. The wraparound porch is a consistent architectural element of the Queen Anne style. After the 1920 "updates," porch now exhibits "Craftsman-like" details. In addition, the house's gable apexes contain a diamond shingle treatment, which is characteristic of the Queen Anne style in the Clinton area as defined in the <u>Clinton MPD</u>.

⁵ Steve Gordon, <u>How to Complete the Ohio Historic Inventory</u>, (Columbus, OH: Ohio Historic Preservation Office, 1992), 91.

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Criterion C: Architecture (continued)

The William Smith House is characteristic of the influence of railroad in the Village of Clinton. With the national emergence of railroads, popular architectural styles were being widely distributed in plan and pattern books as well as trade journals. Houses built adhering to modern styles indicated a certain level of success and prosperity. From all available accounts, Smith's lumber mill was a successful operation, and it is reasonable to conclude that his home represented a subtle reflection of his prosperity.

Historical Integrity

The historical integrity of the William Smith House is well preserved. All of the nominated buildings have a high degree of design integrity. The house maintains its original wood siding and still retains its defining features such as a wraparound porch and wood-shingled gable apexes. The house's massing and fenestration retain significant integrity of materials and workmanship. The buildings are in the same location they were during the period of significance (1895-1920) and are effective in communicating their historical functions. The small town setting surrounding the nominated property provides integrity of setting, feeling, and association.

⁶ Virginia McAlester and Lee McAlester, <u>A Field Guide to American Houses</u>, (New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 1997), 88; Gordon, <u>How to Complete the Ohio Historic Inventory</u>, 91.

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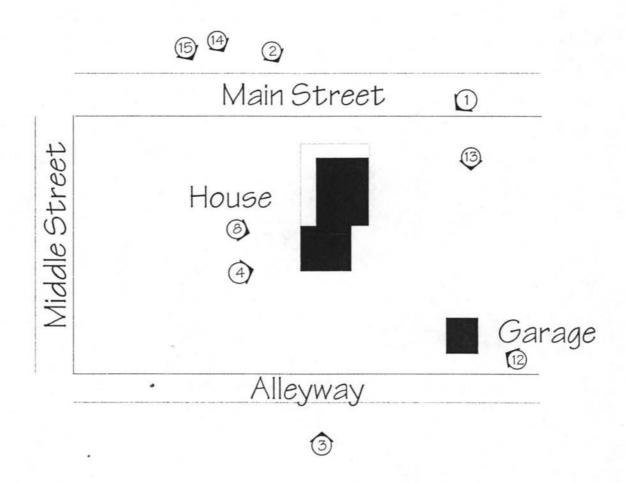
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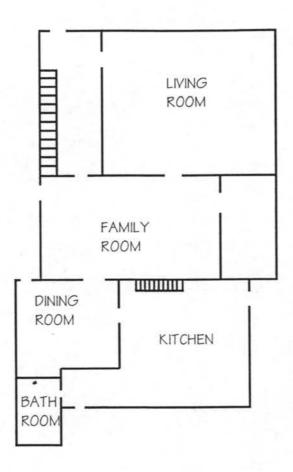
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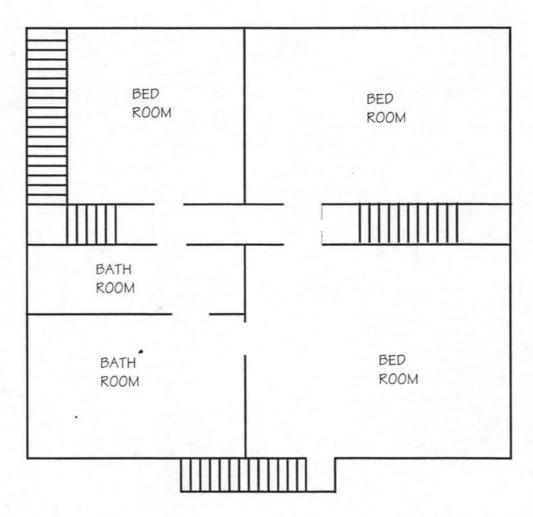
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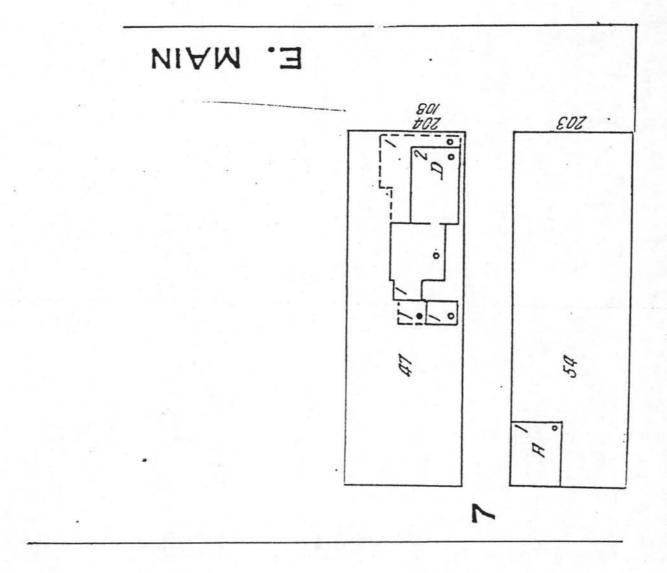




NORTH NOT TO SCALE FIGURE TWO
FIRST FLOOR PLAN
WILLIAM SMITH HOUSE
SUMMIT COUNTY, OHIO
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NORTH NOT TO SCALE FIGURE THREE SECOND FLOOR PLAN WILLIAM SMITH HOUSE SUMMIT COUNTY, OHIO CLINTON VICINITY JAN. 2002





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FIGURE FOUR
SANBORN MAP, 1927
WILLIAM SMITH HOUSE
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FIGURE FIVE HISTORIC PHOTOGRAPH c. 1890s WILLIAM SMITH HOUSE SUMMIT COUNTY, OHIO



FIGURE SIX HISTORIC PHOTOGRAPH c. 1920s WILLIAM SMITH HOUSE SUMMIT COUNTY, OHIO

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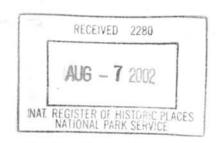
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Patrick Andrus

Historian

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Signature of certifying official

In my opinion, the property ___ meets ___ does not meet the National Register criteria. ___ See continuation sheet.

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In 1852, lot 47 was purchased by John Russell from William Pumroy. According to the Summit County Tax Auditor's <u>Duplicates</u>, a house was added to lot 47 the following year. The 1856 Summit County Property Atlas indicates that a structure existed on the lot. An interview with a historian from the Village of Clinton indicates that the lot originally contained a Greek Revival house.

In 1880, Jacob Breitenstine purchased the property from John Russell. Three years later Breitenstine sold the property to William Smith. Smith also purchased the adjacent lot 55. Smith co-owned a large lumbering operation in the Village of Clinton. The lumber yard was located on Oradden Lots 10, 11, and 12 near the O&E Canal. The 1890-91 Akron and Summit County Directory describes William Smith's lumber mill in the following manner:

W.H. Smith, Contractor and Builder, Planing and Saw Mill. Dealers in Rough and Dressed Lumber, Doors, Sash, Blinds, Shingles, etc., also agents for Gaar, Scott & CO's, Portable and Traction Engines, Saw Mills and Threshers. Clinton, Ohio.²

Smith ran a large operation and the business proved to be an important part of the community's economy. The tax valuations on the house remained consistent throughout the 1880s at \$330. In 1895, the property's value increased to \$670 with the notation in the Summit County Tax Auditor's <u>Duplicates</u> to "add house." It

^{1 1853} Summit County Tax Auditor's Duplicates.

² 1890-91 Akron and Summit County Directory, (N.H. Birch & Company, 1891), 462.

^{3 1895} Summit County Tax Auditor's Duplicates.

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appears that the core section of the house was built in 1895. The Summit County tax records indicate that the rear (south) additions were added in the early twentieth century. The 1916 Summit County Tax Auditor's <u>Duplicates</u> indicate that the property value increased over \$1,000. Moreover, two historic photographs from that period show the existence of the additions along the west elevation (figures 5 and 6). The garage was added to the property in 1919. The historic photographs also indicate that the wraparound porch was "remodeled" around 1920. Figure 5 shows the porch detailed with turned spindle posts and balustrade. Figure 6, a photograph taken around 1920, indicates that the porch was updated. Alterations included the removal of the diagonal, corner entrance and the replacement of the turned posts and balustrade with square posts, a shingled parapet, and shallow arches.

The 1927 Sanborn Insurance Map reveals that the south elevation of the house contained another addition separate from the main structure (see figure 4). This addition is no longer extant.

William Smith continued to serve as an important figure in Clinton's business community during the first decade of the twentieth century. As the <u>Clinton Story</u> notes, Smith was one of the founding members and a member of the board of directors of the Clinton Savings Bank and a director of the Franklin Industrial Company in Warwick.⁴

Smith died in 1917, leaving the house to his wife and family. For most of the twentieth century, Smith daughter, Effie Ikins,

⁴ Sandra Walsh Dreurey, <u>The Clinton Story</u>, (Clinton Historical Society: Clinton, Ohio, 1991), 15, 159.

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lived in the house. More recent owners include the Urians and Bruno and Joyce Romansky, the current owners.

Criterion C: Architecture

The William Smith House contains significant characteristics of construction practices associated with Railroad Era in the village of Clinton as defined in the Canal, Railroad, and Industrial Resource of Clinton/Warwick Multiple Property Documentation Form (Clinton MPD).

The William Smith House evidences features associated with the vernacular interpretation of the Queen Anne building tradition, which is identified in the <u>Clinton MPD</u> as being representative of one of the architectural styles in the Village of Clinton after the Civil War. The house (c. 1895) is a homestead-type house, a front-gable, rectangular plan building. The porch is one-story high and extends along the north and west sides of the house. The wraparound porch is a consistent architectural element of the Queen Anne style. After the 1920 "updates," porch now exhibits "Craftsman-like" details. In addition, the house's gable apexes contain a diamond shingle treatment, which is characteristic of the Queen Anne style in the Clinton area as defined in the <u>Clinton MPD</u>.

⁵ Steve Gordon, <u>How to Complete the Ohio Historic Inventory</u>, (Columbus, OH: Ohio Historic Preservation Office, 1992), 91.

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Criterion C: Architecture (continued)

The William Smith House is characteristic of the influence of railroad in the Village of Clinton. With the national emergence of railroads, popular architectural styles were being widely distributed in plan and pattern books as well as trade journals. Houses built adhering to modern styles indicated a certain level of success and prosperity. From all available accounts, Smith's lumber mill was a successful operation, and it is reasonable to conclude that his home represented a subtle reflection of his prosperity.

Historical Integrity

The historical integrity of the William Smith House is well preserved. All of the nominated buildings have a high degree of design integrity. The house maintains its original wood siding and still retains its defining features such as a wraparound porch and wood-shingled gable apexes. The house's massing and fenestration retain significant integrity of materials and workmanship. The buildings are in the same location they were during the period of significance (1895-1920) and are effective in communicating their historical functions. The small town setting surrounding the nominated property provides integrity of setting, feeling, and association.

⁶ Virginia McAlester and Lee McAlester, <u>A Field Guide to American Houses</u>, (New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 1997), 88; Gordon, <u>How to Complete the Ohio Historic Inventory</u>, 91.

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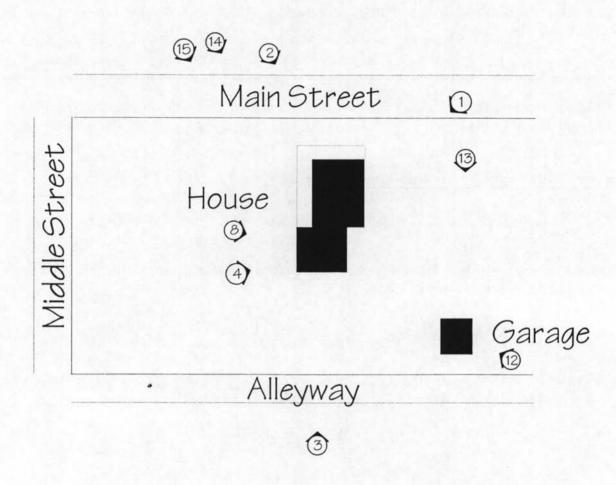
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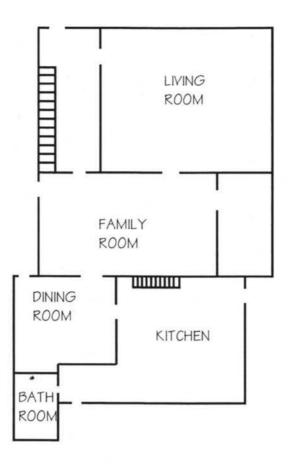
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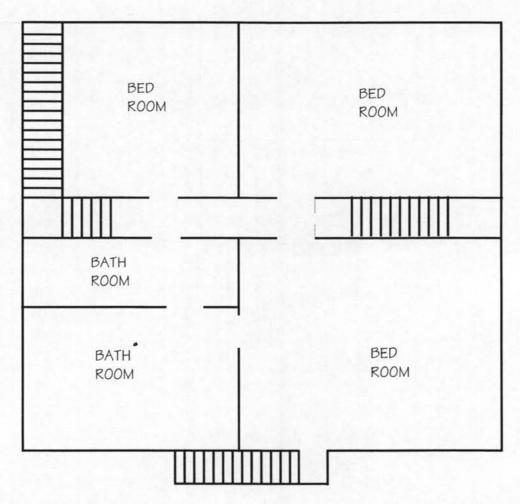
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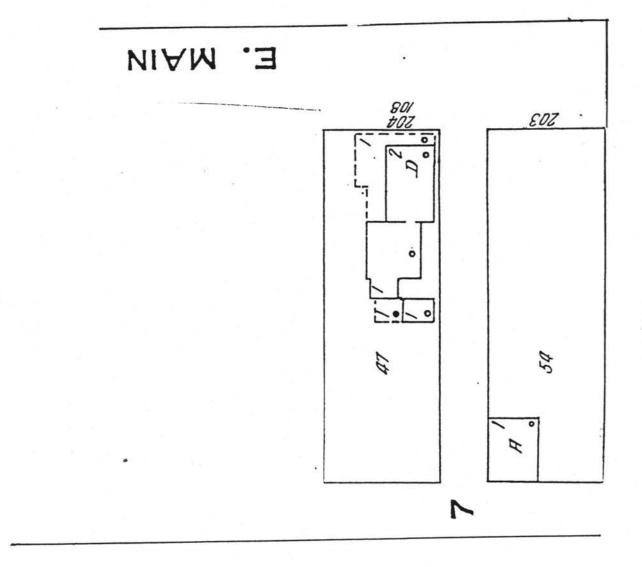




NORTH NOT TO SCALE FIGURE TWO
FIRST FLOOR PLAN
WILLIAM SMITH HOUSE
SUMMIT COUNTY, OHIO
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NORTH NOT TO SCALE FIGURE THREE SECOND FLOOR PLAN WILLIAM SMITH HOUSE SUMMIT COUNTY, OHIO CLINTON VICINITY JAN. 2002





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FIGURE FOUR SANBORN MAP, 1927 WILLIAM SMITH HOUSE SUMMIT COUNTY, OHIO CLINTON VICINITY JAN. 2002



FIGURE FIVE HISTORIC PHOTOGRAPH c. 1890s WILLIAM SMITH HOUSE SUMMIT COUNTY, OHIO



FIGURE SIX HISTORIC PHOTOGRAPH c. 1920s WILLIAM SMITH HOUSE SUMMIT COUNTY, OHIO

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

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PROPERTY Smith, William, House NAME:	
MULTIPLE Canal, Railroad, and NAME: Clinton/Warwick, Ohio	Industrial Resources of the Village of MPS
STATE & COUNTY: OHIO, Summit	
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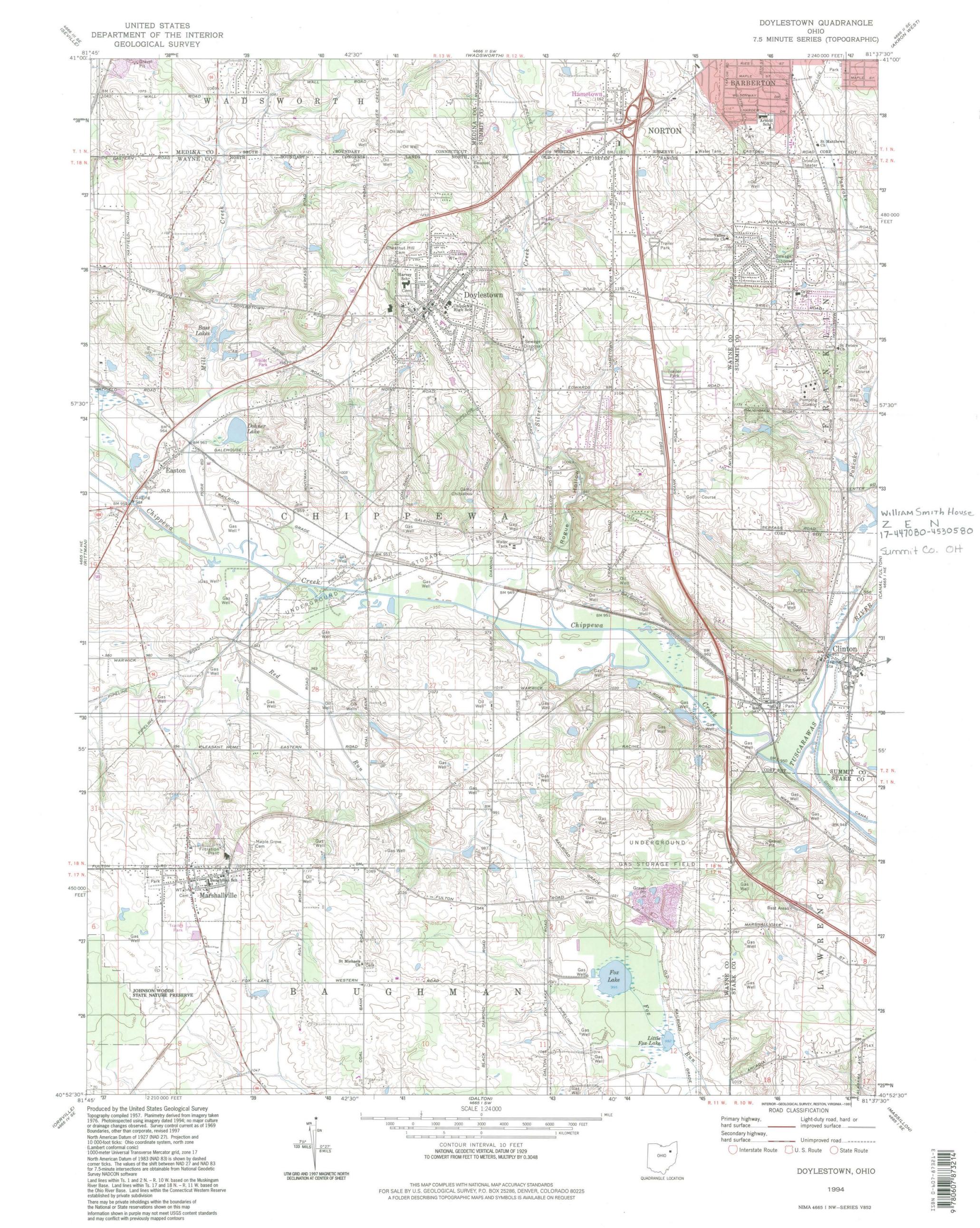


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May 23, 2002

7894 Main Street Clinton, Ohio 44216

Ms. Barbara Powers Department Head Planning, Inventory and Registration Ohio Historic Preservation Office 567 East Hudson Street Columbus, Ohio 43211-1030

> Re: William Smith House National Register of Historic Places Nomination

Dear Ms. Powers:

As the property owners of the William Smith House (7894 Main Street, Clinton, Ohio, Summit County), we are writing to express our support for the National Register of Historic Places nomination that has been submitted for our house. Unfortunately, we are unable to attend the Advisory Board meeting on June 7, 2002.

We are excited that the history and heritage of our house has been recorded and hope that the Ohio Historic Sites Preservation Advisory Board will approve the nomination. We would also like to acknowledge the Cuyahoga Valley National Park staff for their efforts to research and document the Village of Clinton's history and its relationship to the heritage of the Ohio & Erie Canal.

Thank you for considering our nomination.

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Village of Clinton

7871 Main Street, Clinton, OH 44216

Phone: 330-882-4782

Fax: 33O-882-522O

May 24, 2002

Ms. Barbara Powers Department Head Planning, Inventory and Registration Ohio Historic Preservation Office 567 East Hudson Street Columbus, Ohio 43211-1030

Re:

Humberger House, 7616 North 2nd Street Warwick Interlocking Tower, 2955 South 1st Street David Smith House, 7966 Cleveland Massillon Road

Sorrick-Oster Store, 7846 Main Street Porter-Aue House, 2798 North Street Willaim Smith House, 7894 Main Street

Dear Ms. Powers:

On behalf of the Village of Clinton, I am writing to express strong support for the National Register of Historic Places nominations submitted for the above listed properties in the village. These nominations, along with the others that have been previously approved, make an important contribution to the recognition of Clinton's heritage as a canal hamlet.

As you know, the Village of Clinton is part of the Ohio & Erie Canal National Heritage Corridor, and the National Register documentation conducted by the National Park Service has assisted the community in identifying and appreciating its cultural resources.

I encourage the Ohio Historic Sites Preservation Advisory Board to give close consideration to all of the Clinton National Register nominations.

Sincerely yours,

Thomas J. Mayberry

Village of Clinton



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May 24, 2002

Ms. Barbara Powers
Department Head
Planning, Inventory and Registration
Ohio Historic Preservation Office
567 East Hudson Street
Columbus, Ohio 43211-1030

Dear Ms. Powers:

Metro Parks, Serving Summit County would like to endorse the Village of Clinton National Register of Historic Places nominations submitted for review at the Advisory Board meeting on June 7, 2002.

Metro Parks maintains 2.3 miles of Tow Path Trail in the Clinton area that interprets the natural and cultural history of the village in the broader context of the Ohio & Erie Canal National Heritage Corridor. The Clinton National Register nominations recognize the important characteristics of the built environment that add to the integrity of the village's cultural landscape.

We applaud the research and documentation conducted by the National Park Service, and our interpretation of the village has benefited from their findings.

I encourage the Ohio Historic Sites Preservation Advisory Board to give close consideration to all of the Clinton National Register nominations.

Sincerely yours,

Keith D. Shy Director-Secretary

KDS/dcw

Barb Powers

From:

bethclintonhs@popmail.com

Sent:

Monday, June 03, 2002 9:31 PM

To:

Barb Powers

Subject:

Clinton Ohio Nominations

Dear Ms. Powers:

Please be advised that as structures historian and Immediate Past President of the Clinton Historical Society, I approve of and lend my support to the six nominations for the National Register of Historic Places that will be considered Friday, June 7, 2002.

The properties being considered are: Humberger House, Warwick Interlocking Tower, David Smith House, Sorrick-Oster Store, Porter-Aue hosue, and the William Smith House.

As a homeowner whose property was considered in March and is now at the national level, I am extremely grateful for the work that has been put into these nominations by your staff and Jeff Winstel and Sam Tamburro.

I will be accompanying one of the homeowners to the meeting and will be available to answer any questions should they arise.

Cordially,

Beth Bailey Clinton Historical Society Immediate Past President

Structures Historian

Clinton Canal Association

Owner Francis Becker House 3010 Hickory Street Clinton Ohio

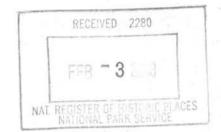
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Cuyahoga Valley National Park 15610 Vaughn Road Brecksville, Ohio 44141



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January 29, 2003

Ms. Carol Shull, Keeper National Register of Historic Places National Park Service 1201 I Street, NW, 8th Floor Washington, DC 20005

Re: Ohio & Erie Canal National Heritage Corridor National Register Nominations for Clinton, Ohio: William Smith House, Clinton, Summit County, Ohio

Dear Ms. Shull,

Enclosed please find for your signature the William Smith House nomination with **new**, reprocessed black and white photographs. Originally submitted to the National Register Office on August 7th, the nomination was returned to our park on December 3rd because of the quality of the original photographs.

The Ohio Historic Preservation Office has signed the nomination and I am returning the form to you for your signature. Please be aware that this nomination has already been through the mandatory 60-day review period and should be processed directly to avoid further delays to the property owner.

Thank you for your consideration of this nomination. If there are questions regarding this package, please contact Mr. Tamburro at 330.657.2096.

Sincerely,

John P. Debo, Jr. Superintendent

Enclosures

cc:

Jeff Winstel, Planner, CUVA David Humphrey, Supervisory Landscape Architect, CUVA



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IN REPLY REFER TO: H32

August 12, 2002

Ms. Carol Shull, Keeper National Register of Historic Places National Park Service 800 North Capital Street NW Suite 400 Washington, DC 20002



Re: Ohio & Erie Canal National Heritage Corridor National Register Nominations for Clinton, Ohio: William Smith House, Clinton, Summit County, Ohio

Dear Ms. Shull,

Inadvertently the cover letter for the William Smith House nomination was sent to you without signature. This letter will replace the letter mailed on August 6, 2002. Please review and sign the William Smith House nomination previously mailed to you. The Ohio Historic Preservation Office has signed the nomination, and it was forwarded to you per requirements outlined in 36 CFR Part 60, 60.10, Concurrent State and Federal Nominations.

Should you accept this nomination, Cuyahoga Valley National Park's Historian, Sam Tamburro, would like a copy of the signed certification page.

Thank you for your consideration of this nomination. If there are questions regarding this package, please contact Mr. Tamburro at 330.657.2096.

Sincerely

John P. Debo, Jr. Superintendent

cc:

Jeff Winstel, Planner, CUVA David Humphrey, Supervisory Landscape Architect, CUVA