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SOUTH CAROLINA INVENTORY FORM FOR HISTORIC DISTRICTS AND
INDIVIDUAL PROPERTIES IN A MULTIPLE PROPERTY SUBMISSION

NAME OF MULTIPLE PROPERTY SUBMISSION: City of Darlington
Multiple Resource Area

PREFERRED NAME OF PROPERTY: Julius A. Dargan House

HISTORIC NAME OF PROPERTY: Same

COMMON NAME OF PROPERTY: Kollock-Stone House

LOCATION: 488 Pearl Street

CLASSIFICATION: Building

NUMBER OF RESOURCES WITHIN PROPERTY: 2 Contributing Buildings

OWNER: Mrs. Ray R. Stone
488 Pearl Street
Darlington, South Carolina 29532

DESCRIPTION

The Julius A. Dargan House, built ca. 1856, is a rectangular, two-story weatherboarded residence with interior stuccoed chimneys. The hipped roof over the main section of the building features a boxed cornice, which is decorated with pendant soffit brackets only on the south elevation. Most of the double-hung windows have six lights in each sash; the windows on the front of the house are flanked by louvered shutters.

In the center of the symmetrical, five-bay facade is a two-tiered, pedimented portico with four square, paneled columns on each floor with those on either corner being answered with a like respond (pilaster); on each of the two floors of the portico is an arched trellis attached to the central columns, and railings with diagonal and vertical balusters. The entrance on the first floor has leaded glass sidelights and transom, which were added. On the second floor, the original six-panel door, three-light sidelights, and four-light transom are intact. The west and east elevations, which are identical, have two windows on each floor. The north elevation has five six-over-six windows on the second floor and a one-story enclosed porch on the first floor. Extending from the enclosed porch is a two-bay hipped roof section with a brick flue.

The original weatherboarded kitchen is joined to the house by a brick terrace. Square in plan, the old kitchen has a pyramidal roof, boxed cornice, a six-over-six window on its north side, and a single door under a lattice porch on its south side.

SIGNIFICANCE

AREA OF SIGNIFICANCE: Architecture

LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE: L (for office use only)

SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Julius A. Dargan House is significant as one of the few relatively intact antebellum residences remaining in the city of Darlington. The house is defined primarily by its Greek Revival two-story rectangular form, hipped roof, and two-story pedimented portico.

Little documentation exists on the early history of the Julius Dargan House. According to local tradition, the property was first settled by Jesse H. Lide from whom Julius Dargan bought the tract on December 31, 1839.¹ Mr. Dargan converted an existing cabinet shop on the lot into a dwelling and lived there until the present house was built in 1856.² Julius Alfred Dargan (1815-1861) was born and reared in Darlington. He was a lawyer, a member of the House of Representatives, a trustee of the Darlington Academy, and a signer of the Ordinance of Secession in 1860.³

Owners of the house after J. A. Dargan include A. Nachman,⁴ Col. J. A. Law, G. W. Brown, R. W. Boyd, A. G. Kollock, and J. C. Stone.

ACREAGE: Approximately one acre

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: The boundary of the Julius A. Dargan House nomination is shown as the red line on the accompanying map entitled "Julius A. Dargan House." The map was copied from a map of the town of Darlington, S.C., which is dated June, 1980, and is drawn at a scale of one inch to 500 feet. The nominated property includes the historic building and the lot on which it is situated. The lot also includes the original kitchen and a non-historic garage (ca. 1945).

QUAD NAME: Darlington West, S.C.

QUAD SCALE: 1:24,000

UTM REFERENCE POINT: 17/603280/3795760

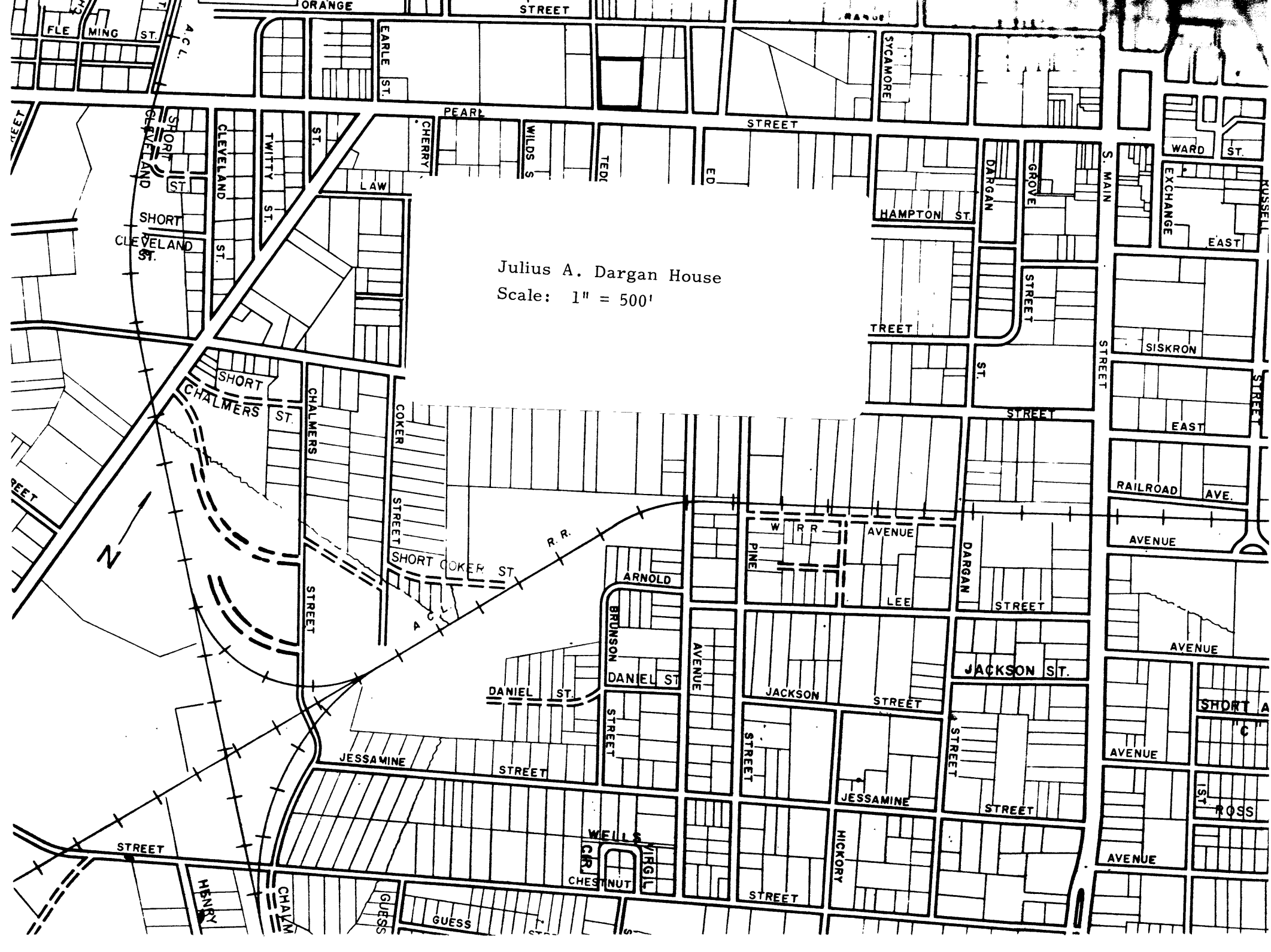
FOOTNOTES

¹Horace Fraser Rudisill, "A Brief History of Darlington County, South Carolina" (Darlington, S.C.: Darlington County Historical Booklet Task Force, 1983), p. 11.

²Eliza Cowan Ervin and Horace Fraser Rudisill, Darlingtoniana (Columbia, S.C.: R. L. Bryan Co., 1964), p. 350.

³John Amasa May and Joan Reynolds Faunt, South Carolina Secedes (Columbia, S.C.: University of S.C. Press, 1960), P. 133; Horace Fraser Rudisill, "A Brief History of Darlington County, South Carolina," p. 9; W. A. Brunson, Glimpses of Old Darlington (Columbia, S.C.: State Co., 1910), p. 13.

⁴Rudisill, "A Brief History of Darlington County, South Carolina," p. 11.



Julius A. Dargan House
Scale: 1" = 500'