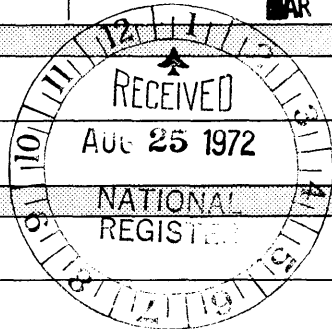


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INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Maryland	
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1. NAME

COMMON:
St. Paul's Church Rectory

AND/OR HISTORIC:
St. Paul's Church Rectory

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
24 West Saratoga Street

CITY OR TOWN:
Baltimore

STATE: Maryland

CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
24	Baltimore City	510

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Comments _____ _____

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME: Rector, The Reverend Halsey M. Cook
Vestry of St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal Church

STREET AND NUMBER:
24 West Saratoga Street

CITY OR TOWN: Baltimore

STATE:	CODE
Maryland	24

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Hall of Records of Maryland

STREET AND NUMBER:
St. John's College

CITY OR TOWN: Annapolis

STATE:	CODE
Maryland	24

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS .32 acres

TITLE OF SURVEY:
Maryland Register of Historic Sites and Landmarks

DATE OF SURVEY: 1969 Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
Maryland Historical Trust

STREET AND NUMBER:
2525 Riva Road

CITY OR TOWN: Annapolis

STATE:	CODE
Maryland	24

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
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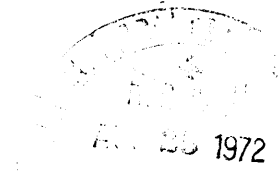
DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Logic, proportion, and elegant understatement characterize the design of St. Paul's Rectory, making it an outstanding example of the Georgian period.

Although built on the edge of the early town, the house was designed as a country home and exhibits several characteristic features of Baltimore country house architecture. The most evident of these are the two Georgian triangular pediments of the facade. The smaller is just above the doorway and the larger one is above the second story, enframing the Venetian triple window. The two pediments, in direct vertical alignment, demonstrate the symmetry and logic characteristic of early Georgian architecture.

The doorway, with its rectangular door surmounted by an oblong transom, is an early example of its type. The oblong transom rests on a moulding that is carried across the jambs of the door opening, a feature prevalent in Baltimore work during this period.

The house has a wide facade, but is only one room deep. It has a pentagonal stair hall projecting from the center of the rear facade which encases an intricately designed stairway that is built around the five sides of the hall. A wing behind serves as a kitchen, a common trait of late eighteenth century town-houses in Baltimore. In a city where only a few buildings from this period remain standing, St. Paul's Rectory is a noteworthy example of early domestic architecture.



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8. SIGNIFICANCE

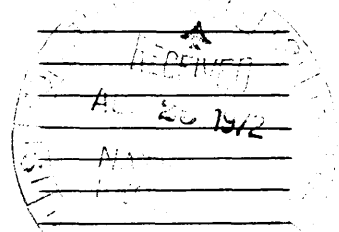
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SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) **1789-1791**

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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The Rectory of Old St. Paul's Church, which was begun in 1789 and completed in 1791, is one of the oldest houses in Baltimore City whose dates can be authenticated. The land for the Rectory was donated by Colonel John Eager Howard, a vestryman, Revolutionary War hero, Governor of Maryland and U.S. Senator; and the construction was funded by the proceeds from a lottery.¹ Unfortunately, no name is associated with the design, and it has been suggested that the plan may have been copied from a book of architectural drawings.² The home was built for Dr. William West, a native of Virginia and a friend and former neighbor of George Washington; who undoubtedly influenced the plans. Dr. West died before the building was complete, and the Reverend J.G.J. Bend became the first in the line of locally-influential clergymen who occupied it.

In 1808, the House of Bishops, consisting of Bishop William White of Pennsylvania and Bishop Thomas John Claggett of Maryland, met in the Rectory. Francis Scott Key was a frequent visitor. Among the literary persons who visited there were Walter de la Mare, Robert Frost, Amy Lowell, John Erskine, Carl Sandburg, Edna St. Vincent Millay, and Vachel Lindsay.³

Between 1942 and 1955, the Rectory underwent extensive renovation under the supervision of the Society for the Preservation of Maryland Antiquities, and after a period of vacancy, is once again occupied by the Rector of St. Paul's Church.

¹Arthur B. Kinsolving, A Short History of St. Paul's Parish (Baltimore, 1939), a Pamphlet in the Maryland Room, Enoch Pratt Free Library, Baltimore, p. 9.

²Francis F. Beirne, St. Paul's Parish: A Chronicle of the Mother Church (Baltimore: Horn-Shafer, 1967), p. 45.

³Kinsolving, p. 22.

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2525 Riva Road, Annapolis, Maryland
21401

Pamela Cohen, Volunteer, Commission for Historical
and Architectural Preservation,
Baltimore, Maryland

Sources: See Continuation Sheet

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: .32 acre

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Arthur Townsend, Associate Director for Field Services and staff
ORGANIZATION: Maryland Historical Trust DATE: July 3, 1972

STREET AND NUMBER:
2525 Riva Road

CITY OR TOWN: Annapolis STATE: Maryland CODE: 24

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National State Local

Name Orlando Ridout IV
Orlando Ridout IV

Title State Liaison Officer for Maryland

Date July 11, 1972

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Robert K. Utley
Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date 3/20/73

ATTEST: W. M. ...
Keeper of The National Register

Date 3.14.73

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6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS, continued
Landmark List
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Commission for Historical and Architectural Preservation
Room 402, City Hall
Baltimore, Maryland State Code 24

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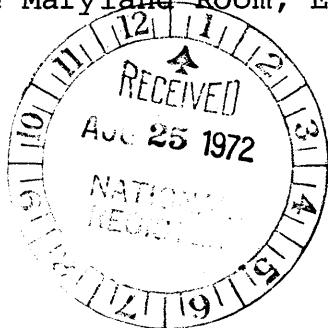
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South
Baltimore

NORTHWEST

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Winans
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