

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM**

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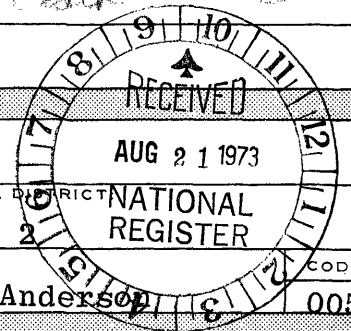
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 COUNTY: **Anderson**
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 ENTRY DATE: **SEP 19 1973**

1. NAME

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 AND/OR HISTORIC: **Champ Clark House**

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: *N of Lawrenceburg on Ky 326*
~~Ninevah Road, Route 2~~
 CITY OR TOWN: **Lawrenceburg**
 STATE: **Kentucky** CODE: **21** COUNTY: **Anderson** CODE: **005**



3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
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PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
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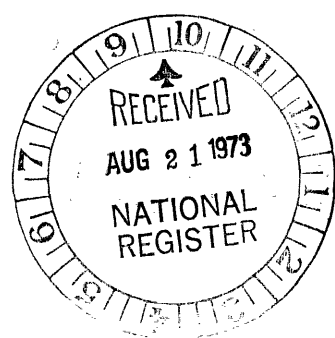
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3. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- Pre-Columbian | 16th Century | 18th Century | 20th Century
 15th Century | 17th Century | 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) **prior to 1792**

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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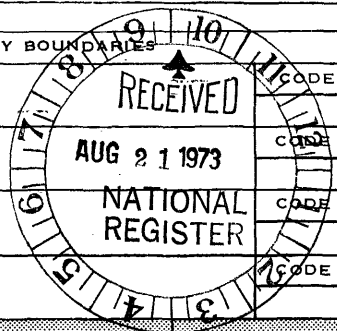
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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: Wyatt Shely

ORGANIZATION: Anderson County Historical Society DATE: July 12, 1973

STREET AND NUMBER: 110 Center Street

CITY OR TOWN: Lawrenceburg STATE: Kentucky CODE: 21

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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 Mrs. Simeon Dillio

Title State Historic Preservation Officer

Date August 17, 1973

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Robert Van Uter
 Director, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date 9/19/73

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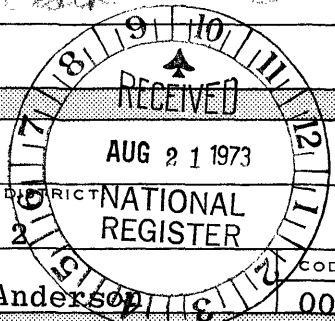
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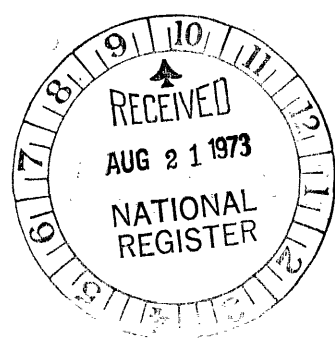
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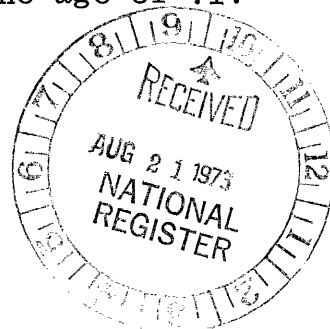
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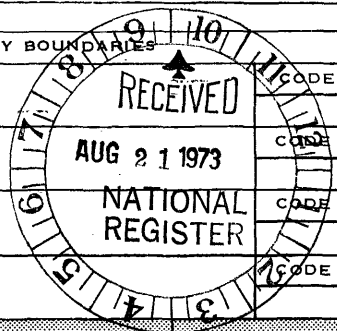
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