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This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register* of Historic Places Registration Form (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property		
historic name Compton-Wood House		
other names/site number PU3231		
2. Location (relocation site)		
street & number 1305 Spring Street		not for publication
city or town Little Rock		☐ vicinity
state Arkansas code AR county Pulaski	code 1	19 zip code 71953
3. State/Federal Agency Certification		
As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, I hereby certification of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties. Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set for in 36 CFR Part 60. In my options not meet the National Register criteria. I recommend that this property be considered signification of the National Register criteria. I recommend that this property be considered signification. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)	in the National inion, the proper ant	Register of Historic
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name/title Kara Mills, National Register/Survey Coordinator		
organization Arkansas Historic Preservation Program	_ date _ A	April 1, 2000
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city or town Little Rock state	AR	zip code 72201

Compton Wood House	Pulaski County, Arkansas	
Name of Property	County and State	

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SECTION 7: PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION OF PRESENT LOCATION AND NEW LOCATION

In accordance with 36 CFR 60.14(b), we submit the following documentation in support of moving the Compton-Woods House to a new location while allowing the property to keep its National Register status.

Reasons for the move

The Compton-Wood house is located on a corner lot at 800 High Street (now Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Street) and 8th Street. Built in 1902, this Queen Anne house fronts east and is being threatened by growth and expansion. In circa 1981 Interstate 630 was built, which was the demise of this already deteriorated neighborhood. The Compton-Wood house is bounded on the North by I-630 and bounded on the southwest by Children's Hospital, a large and growing establishment. The house is surrounded on all other sides by new commercial construction. None of the original residential neighborhood remains. Because of the threat that these resources pose to the house, a new owner is requesting that the home be moved to lot 1305 on the east side of Spring Street in the Governor's Mansion Historic District which is located approximately one mile from the present site. The proposed site for the relocation of the Compton-Wood home is in keeping with the historical setting of the neighborhood that once surrounded the house on High Street.

Procedures for the move

Presently, the plans include moving the house in its entirety to the new site located approximately one mile from its present location. A house moving company out of Memphis, Tennessee will be conducting the move. Upon arrival at 1305 Spring Street the house will be placed atop of a continuous concrete foundation.

New location, setting, and proposed orientation

The Compton-Wood house is being moved to the corner of 13th Street and Spring Street. The house will face west while sitting on the east side of Spring Street. Other homes, which are located on the 13th block of Spring Street, were built circa 1900 or slightly before. The homes located at 1314 and 1316 Spring Street are both Queen Anne cottages. Many of the homes that line the entirety of Spring Street also have construction dates ranging between 1880 to 1920. Throughout the Governor's Mansion Historic District there is a well represented sampling of Queen Anne homes therefore validating the fact that the Compton-Wood home would benefit from the setting and ambiance provided by this historic district.

To date there are no known archeological sites located at the corner of 13th and Spring. As early as 1897 Sanborn Maps reveal that a residence was present on this site. By 1913 there was not only a residence located at the corner of 13th Street and Spring Street but also a wood yard. Throughout the years this lot has been used for multiple purposes, all of which have disturbed the surface of this site. Because the Compton-Wood house will sit upon a concrete foundation very little subsurface ground disturbance will occur.

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Integrity

The historic integrity that the High Street neighborhood once possessed is no longer present and both Interstate 630 and the potential for expansion by Children's Hospital pose an imminent threat to this Queen Anne home. The Compton-Wood home was nominated under Criterion C for its architectural design. Therefore, moving the house would in no way alter the significance of the home. The present owner's primary concern is that the integrity of the house NOT be compromised. The house would still exemplify its integrity of design, workmanship, materials and feeling, and the house would still be associated with Little Rock, Arkansas. The proposed site for relocation possesses many of the qualities that the historic High Street neighborhood once enjoyed and it provides a comparable setting similar to that of the former High Street neighborhood.

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SECTION 8: SIGNIFICANCE

The Compton-Wood House, which was constructed in 1902 in the Queen Anne style, was originally nominated with local significance to the National Register of Historic Places under **Criterion C**. Moving this property to a new site will not compromise the historic features of the house or its architectural value nor will it affect the ability of the house to convey its integrity of design, materials, workmanship, feeling, or association. In fact, the move will preserve the integrity of the building because if the Compton-Wood house remains at its present site it WILL fall victim to deterioration and eventually destruction due to the onslaught of new development and commercial construction in this area. The owners plan to rehabilitate the building while following the *Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation*. We propose that this nomination be amended to show that the Compton-Wood house meets those requirements established for properties being submitted under **Criteria Consideration B – Moved Properties** and that it retain its listing on the National Register of Historic Places.

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I hereby certify that the proposed move of the Compton-Wood House in Pulaski County, Arkansas, is approved.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: PROPOSED MOVE
PROPERTY Compton-Wood House NAME:
MULTIPLE NAME:
STATE & COUNTY: ARKANSAS, Pulaski
DATE RECEIVED: 6/13/00 DATE OF PENDING LIST: DATE OF 16TH DAY: DATE OF 45TH DAY: 7/28/00 DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:
REFERENCE NUMBER: 80000781
NOMINATOR: STATE
REASONS FOR REVIEW:
APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N
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ACCEPTRETURNREJECT 7/21/00 DATE
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In July of 2000 the National Register approved the moving of the Compton-Wood House from 800 High Street to 1305 Spring Street. Although interior work continues, the structural aspects of the move are complete. We are sending photos for your records.



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6. Compton-Wood House in new location,
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Compton-Wood House (present location)
Pulaski County, AR
Amy Bennett
March 2000
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View of eastern facade showing I-630,
looking west



Compton-Wood House (present location)
Pulaski County, AR
Amy Bennett
March 2000
AHPP View of eastern and northern facades, looking southwest



Compton-Wood House (present location)
Pulaski County, AR
Amy Bennett March 2000 AHPP View of easternand southern elevations showing modern construction, looking northwest



Compton-Wood House (proposed location) Pulaski County, AR Amy Bennett March 2000 View of lot at 13th Street and Spring Street, looking Southwest



Compton-Wood House (proposed location)
Pulaski County, AR
Amy Bennett
March 2000
AHPP View of lot at 13th and Spring St Showing a 1900 houses, looking Southwest

United States Department of the Interior Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service

National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form

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See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*Type all entries—complete applicable sections

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historic Compto	on-Wood House			
and/or common	'Doll House"			
2. Locat	tion			
street & number	800 High Street			not for publication
city, town Little	e Rock	vicinity of	congressional district	Second
state Arkansas	code	05 county	Pulaski	code 119
3. Class	ification			
district X building(s) structure	Ownership public private both Oublic Acquisition in process being considered	Status occupied unoccupied work in progress Accessible yes: restricted yes: unrestricted no	Present Use agriculture commercial educational entertainment government industrial military	museum park X private residence religious scientific transportation other:
name Katherin	ne L. Wood			
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7. Description

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Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Compton-Wood House is situated on a corner lot one block from the Arkansas State Capitol. Built in 1902, the late Queen Anne structure is a two-story, detached single family dwelling. Its roof is gabled at the four elevations and is dominated by a three-story stair tower with a pyramid roof and spiral finial. Together, these characteristics establish a strong vertical orientation for the building. The original wood shingle roof has been covered with asphalt shingles. The first story of the building is faced with horizontal lapped cypress siding while cypress shingles cover the second story, including the gable-ends. The second story's north elevation projects from the building with scrolled brackets under the cantilever.

The principal (east) elevation is distinguished by an "L" shaped porch which extends around to the north side of the building. This wooden porch is supported by five Doric columns and is decorated with a turned wood balustrade. The front door is made of oak with an oval beveled light. A variety of sizes of doublehung windows appear on the house. Windows on the second floor and in the gables have multiple panes in their upper sashes (16/1 and 9/1 lights). A round-arched opening in the north gable is flanked by wooden vents. Four twelve-inch doublehung (6/1 lights) in the stair tower identify its second floor landing.

There are three major rooms on each floor. The east parlor room and entry hall have oak floors with double 3/4" mahogany borders. The remaining floor area consists of pine and cypress. There are two fireplaces on the first floor, the parlor-room having a corner fireplace with a glazed-brick rectangular opening and a shouldered oak architrave, frieze and cornice. An applied ribbon design adorns the frieze. A rectangular beveled mirror, blanked by two oval beveled mirrors and capped by a cornice, embellishes the overmantel. In the dining room, the fireplace has two Ionic columns supporting the mantel shelf. Applied floral and scroll designs enrich the frieze. The overmantel is scroll shaped and surrounds an oval beveled mirror. Tongue and groove paneled wainscoting in the kitchen is also noteworthy.

A quarter sawn stair with two landings provides access to the second floor. A two-foot wide balcony overlooks the stairwell and is distinguished from the exterior by the four miniature windows in the stairtower. The east bedroom has a corner fireplace with a plain mantel with no overmantel. Two consoles support the shelf. The north bedroom's heating system is indicated by the ceiling flue sleeve located in the center of the room which served an early stove. The second floor bathroom has original fixtures including a claw foot tub and a lavatory mounted with cast iron brackets.

Original pine panel doors, trim, symmetrically moulded corner blocks, transoms, and brass hardware remain throughout the house. The owner is in the process of reinstalling the original brass converted light fixture.

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Exterior alteration includes the aforementioned change of roof material and minor modifications to the rear porch. A small balcony on the east elevation was removed due to deterioration. Hinges found at some of the windows indicate that the building once had shutters. Interior alterations include the enclosure of the stairway with pine paneling for security purposes. The owner took care not to damage the stair or balustrade. A bathroom was added next to the kitchen. A spiral stairway located in the back of the building was removed and put in storage.

8. Significance

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Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

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The Compton-Wood House is architecturally significant because, with its striking late Queen Anne design, the building is the only visible representation of a type of architecture that characterized a once prominent upper-middle class residential area immediately south of the Arkansas State Capitol grounds. house's dominant stair tower and steep cypress-shingled gables, in near original condition, stand in stark contrast to the present-day progressivism of government buildings, modern transportation networks and vacant lots which now surround it. The house was built in 1902 during the construction of the Arkansas State Capitol and the stair tower of the house afforded a panoramic view of the largest construction project to that date in Arkansas. The surrounding neighborhood was well established by the twentieth century. Residents of this neighborhood-politicians, lawyers and railroad workers--included many of Little Rock's leading citizens. William A. Compton, first owner and probable builder of the house, was a prominent lawyer and politician. He served in the Arkansas General Assembly from 1886-1888 and later as county judge in Pulaski County from 1892-1896. Compton built the house one block west of his father's home. The elder Compton was an Associate Justice of the Arkansas Supreme Court. The four block area that includes the house is referred to as the Compton addition. The present owner's father, Journey Wood, purchased the house in 1919. An engineer for the Missouri-Pacific Railroad, Wood was employed during the heyday of the railroad industry in Arkansas and Little Rock. cultoffu fainvoi e y dec ad

9. Major Bibliographical References

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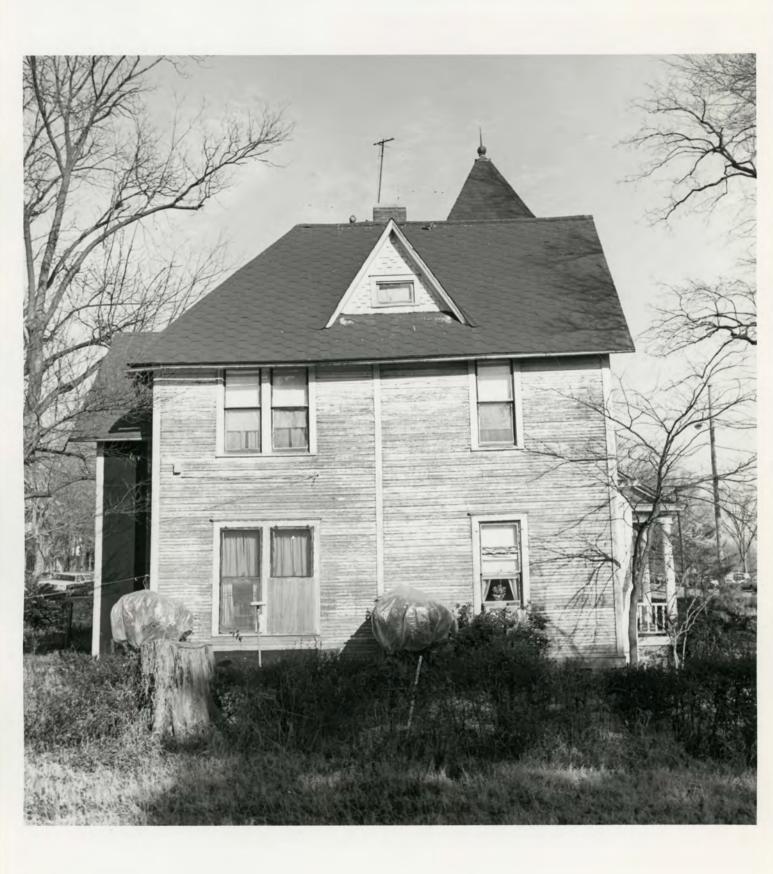


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March 11, 1980

Ms. Carol Shull Acting Keeper of the National Register Heritage Conservation & Recreation Service Department of the Interior Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Ms. Shull

Enclosed please find the nominations for the Compton-Wood and Robert Lee Hardy Houses which have been approved by a majority vote of the Arkansas State Review Committee at their January 22, 1980 meeting.

I hereby certify that the owners listed in Section 4 of the nominations are the legal owners of the properties.

Sincerely,

Joan Williams Baldridge

State Historic Preservation Officer

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Enclosures

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Little Rock Pulaski County

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