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National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form

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Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Locke-Mount House is located 1/2 mile southeast of U.S. 42 and .4 mile north-west of Covered Bridge Road. Three-tenths of a mile east of the house is Locke Lane which parallels Harrods Creek. A farm road runs past the house connecting Covered Bridge Road and U.S. 42.

The main block of the house is two-story, double-pile, brick with four interior end chimneys. Both front and rear facades are laid in Flemish bond with vined mortar and the rear facade has four bays. The inscription "painted 1884" is written on the rear wall, however only the front facade has been painted and the other walls show no evidence of paint.

The entry has a transom and sidelights which do not extend to the sill. The double doors have been joined and the surrounds have bulls-eye corner blocks. A single-story porch with bracketed eaves spans the facade.

The brick, main block of the house is joined on the east by a one-and-one-half story frame addition. The frame section, in turn, is joined to a one-story stone kitchen with an exterior stone chimney. At the rear of the house is a hipped-roof stone smokehouse. Photos 1,2, and 3

The plan of this double-pile house is unusual. The facade entry opens into a large hall with a room on either side.

An enclosed stair opens off the hall and two doors, opposite the front door, open into the rear rooms. The parlor and dining rooms make up the rear section and are divided by large folding doors which span most of the rooms' width. The parlor has an exterior door and window, and the dining room, two windows. These rooms have especially good woodwork; fine mantles, press, panels below the window, chair rails. Surrounds, reveals, and panels are reeded with bulls-eye corner blocks. A raised-oval motif is a repeated decorative element. Photos 4 and 5

Fine interior detail coupled with an unusual floor plan make this one of the outstanding houses in the county.

8. Significance

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| Specific dates | ca. 1820 | Builder/Architect | | |

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The house is important historically for its association with the pioneer Locke family and with the Mount family who were well-known farmers in the Goshen area. Architecturally, it is significant for its unusual floor plan and double-pile configuration. Also unique is the lateral joining of the main block to the onestory kitchen by means of a connecting frame structure. The house is rich in detail with finely-laid Flemish bond brick on the exterior and handsome interior mantles and woodwork. As early as 1803, John D. Locke was purchasing tracts on Harrods Creek which his family inherited in his 1831 will. His son, also John Donaldson Locke, lived on the house tract which may have been part of his father's estate. The family evidently lived here as early as 1828 which is the earliest date in the Locke family cemetery. John D. Locke (the son) was born in 1790 and died in 1850. When his property was divided in 1857, his widow, Harriet inherited the house and 140 acres which she sold to J.C. Mount The Mount family were prominent farmers in the Goshen area. Mount named the farm "Locust Hill Stock Farm" and devised it to J.W. Mount in his will written in 1888. From J.W. Mount it passed to S.S. Mount who sold the property in 1956, it having been in the family for 89 years.

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