

PH0014125

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

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Kentucky
COUNTY: Jefferson
FOR NPS USE ONLY
ENTRY DATE SEP 20 1973

1. NAME

COMMON: **Landward House**

AND/OR HISTORIC: **Robinson-Marvin-Wheeler House**

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: **1385-87 South 4th Street**

CITY OR TOWN: **Louisville** CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT: **#3**

STATE: **Kentucky** CODE: **21** COUNTY: **Jefferson** CODE: **III**

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"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME: **Miller, Wihry, Sabak, Wilson & Lee, Inc.**

STREET AND NUMBER: **1387 South Fourth Street**

CITY OR TOWN: **Louisville** STATE: **Kentucky** CODE: **21**

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: **Jefferson County Courthouse**

STREET AND NUMBER: **531 West Jefferson Street**

CITY OR TOWN: **Louisville** STATE: **Kentucky** CODE: **21**

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY: **Survey Of Historic Sites In Kentucky**

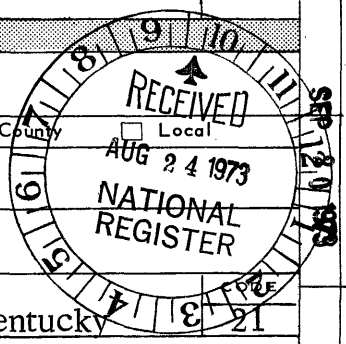
DATE OF SURVEY: **1971** Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: **Kentucky Heritage Commission**

STREET AND NUMBER: **401 Wapping Street**

CITY OR TOWN: **Frankfort** STATE: **Kentucky** CODE: **21**

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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
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered		<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site	

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Landward House is a free-standing, three-story brick structure with a two-story rear portion. The building, in late Italian Renaissance style with Italianate detail, has a facade of limestone.

Paneled bay windows line all three stories on both the north and the south sides, and the attic is treated with segmental arched windows.

Except for the addition of a classical porch and a brick-walled garden on the south side of the house, iron balconies over the front door and under the front windows, and wrought-iron gates, the present appearance of the building is basically the same as it was upon its completion about 1871.



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6. 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) **1871-72**

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | | | |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Landward House is one of Old Louisville's oldest residences; its original architect is unknown. It is representative of the grand, 19th century residences constructed in Louisville just prior to and after the Southern Exposition.

The garden and grounds were designed and landscaped by Frederick Law Olmsted, circa 1910, when the porch was added to the south side of the building.

Originally erected as a residence for Dr. Stuart Robinson, a colorful personality and pastor for 23 years of Louisville's Second Presbyterian Church (1858-1881), this home remained in the Robinson family until 1909, when it was purchased by Dr. Joseph B. Marvin, a practicing physician who was on the faculty of the University of Louisville Medical School. The last person using the building as a residence was Dr. Marvin's daughter, Minnie Norton Marvin Wheeler (Mrs. Blakemore Wheeler) who died without issue in 1964.

In 1965, Landward House was purchased and is now protected by a landscape architecture firm. The building stands directly adjacent to the newly registered St. James-Belgravia Historic District, original site of the 1883 Southern Exposition.



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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

"Landward House," Vol. 44, No. 2 The Filson Club Quarterly 117
by Audrea McDowell, April 1970.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

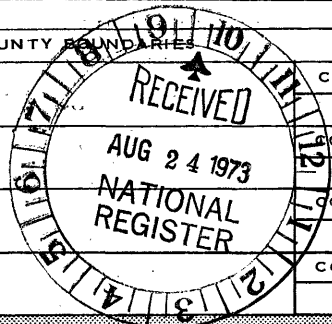
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 3/4 acre

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: John Cullinane, Executive Director

ORGANIZATION: Preservation Alliance of Louisville & Jefferson County, Inc. DATE: 5/16/73

STREET AND NUMBER: Gardencourt Campus - Alta Vista Road

CITY OR TOWN: Louisville STATE: Kentucky CODE: 21

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

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 Willis

Title State Historic Preservation Officer

Date August 22, 1973

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

Robert G. Wiley
Director, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date 9/20/73

ATTEST:

W. M. [Signature]
Keeper of the National Register

Date 9 19 73