

**United States Department of the Interior
Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service**

**National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form**

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

1. Name

historic Hampton Hall

and/or common

2. Location MS 61

street & number Mississippi Highway 61 South _____ not for publication

city, town Woodville _____ vicinity of _____ congressional district Fourth

state Mississippi code 28 county Wilkinson code 157

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property

name Mr. and Mrs. David Clay Bramlette III

street & number Mississippi Highway 61 South

city, town Woodville _____ vicinity of _____ state Mississippi

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Office of the Chancery Clerk
Wilkinson County Courthouse

street & number Courthouse Square

city, town Woodville _____ state Mississippi

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title Statewide Survey of Historic Sites has this property been determined eligible? yes no

date 1973 _____ federal state _____ county _____ local

depository for survey records Mississippi Department of Archives and History

city, town Jackson _____ state Mississippi

7. Description

Condition

excellent
 good
 fair

deteriorated
 ruins
 unexposed

Check one

unaltered
 altered

Check one

original site
 moved date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

Hampton Hall is a wood-frame two-and-one-half-story residence on Mississippi Highway 61 in Woodville. It is situated atop a knoll and surrounded by an extensive informal garden notable for a variety of flowering shrubs and moss-hung live oak trees. The facade of the house is divided into five bays, the center three of which lie behind a monumental portico of Doric columns supporting a simple entablature and massive pediment. The entrance, executed in the Federal style, is composed of a single eight-panel door, side lights with decorative muntins, and a semicircular fanlight transom. The doorway treatment is repeated at the balcony level. Symmetrically spaced windows are double hung, with twelve-over-twelve glazing.

The interior of the house is based on the center-hall double-pile plan. The hall is divided by a partition wall having a doorway similar to that of the exterior doorways. From the front portion of the hall a graceful elliptical spiral staircase ascends to the second and attic floors. At the rear of the house a gallery has been enclosed and a kitchen wing added.

Located near the southwest corner of the house is a one-story brick carriage house. Northwest of the house is a small family cemetery.

8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates

Builder/Architect

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

Hampton Hall, located on Mississippi Highway 61 in Woodville, is an imposing two-and-one-half-story plantation house surrounded by an informal garden. The house is important for its excellent state of preservation and its integrity of setting, and as an illustration of the combination of Federal and Greek Revival styles employed in early-nineteenth-century Mississippi. Although a builder and exact date of construction for Hampton Hall cannot be determined, some indication of age is provided by a gutter box, dated 1832, at the northwest corner of the house. A date of ca. 1825, however, could be ascribed to the house based upon the known construction dates of other area houses possessing similar Federal features.

Little is known of the early owners of Hampton Hall and no record has yet been found to explain the origin of the name of the structure. Prior to 1820 the land upon which the house sits was owned by John Brown, who in that year sold the property to Hugh Connell, whose grave is among those in a small cemetery northwest of the house. The subsequent owner, Susan Davis, purchased the property from Connell's estate in 1847. Her deed to the property mentions a "dwelling house and burying ground." In 1849 the property was purchased by Daniel Hoard, reputedly the chief engineer of the West Feliciana Railroad and earlier an engineer of the Erie Canal. At his death, in 1869, the property passed to his widow, Verona Regular, and at her death, in 1875, to her niece, Joanna McManus. In 1909 Joanna McManus conveyed the property to her three daughters, one of whom, Blanche McManus Mansfield, was to become a noted European illustrator and author of children's books. In 1902 Mrs. Mansfield was chosen to design and decorate the prayer book and altar cloths used at the coronation of King Edward VII. At Hampton Hall she is known to have decorated the walls of the parlor with murals. Unfortunately, no trace of her work there remains.

In 1947, after having been leased to a succession of tenants, Hampton Hall was sold by the estate of the last surviving McManus daughter to Maxwell Bramlette, who undertook a complete restoration of the house. In 1976 the house was conveyed to the present owners, Mr. and Mrs. David Clay Bramlette III.

9. Major Bibliographical References

"Blanche McManus-Southern Woman Who Has Won International Fame as an Artist," Commercial Appeal, Sept. 10, 1922.

Deed abstract of Hampton Hall property, compiled 1948 by H. C. Leake.

10. Geographical Data **UTM NOT VERIFIED**

Acreeage of nominated property ^{دولة 1 1/2 6 9.5} acres **ACREAGE NOT VERIFIED**
Quadrangle name Woodville, Miss. Quadrangle scale 1:62,500

UMT References

A	1 1 5	6 6 2 9 5 0	3 4 4 1 1 5 1 0	B			
	Zone	Easting	Northing		Zone	Easting	Northing
C				D			
E				F			
G				H			

Verbal boundary description and justification

~~"The residence known as Hampton Hall, together with the tract upon which it is situate, described as follows:~~ See enclosed plat map.

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Norman Chronister, Research Assistant

organization Mississippi Department of Archives and History date January, 1980

street & number P. O. Box 571 telephone (601) 354-7326

city or town Jackson state Mississippi 39205

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national state local

As the designated State Historic Preservation 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 Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature Elmer A. Hilliard

title State Historic Preservation Officer date March 25, 1980

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

for W. Ray June 10/24/80
Keeper of the National Register

Attest: [Signature] 10/22/80
Chief of Administration

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

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10 - GEOGRAPHICAL DATA (Verbal Boundary Description and Justification)

Said tract is a portion of Section 39, Township 2 North, Range 2 West, and is that portion of Hampton Hall Plantation bounded on the South by a fence running east and west and which said fence is the southern boundary of the grove about the residence; bounded on the West by U.S. Highway 61; bounded on the North by lands of Elizabeth Walker. The eastern boundary is a line which commences on the northerly boundary of the herein described tract, being the line between Hampton Hall Plantation and lands of Elizabeth Walker, at a point on said line which is _____ feet in distance east of the Northwest Corner of the herein described tract. From said point of beginning of the east line, run thence in a southerly direction parallel to U.S. Highway 61 to a point where said line intersects an extension of the fence which forms the southerly boundary of the herein described tract."