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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

Judge Joseph Crockett House (Lone Oak)

AND/OR COMMON

Lone Oak

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

317 E. 16th Street

CITY, TOWN

Hopkinsville

VICINITY OF

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

1

STATE

Kentucky

CODE

021

COUNTY

Christian

CODE

047

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

OWNERSHIP

STATUS

PRESENT USE

DISTRICT

PUBLIC

OCCUPIED

AGRICULTURE

MUSEUM

BUILDING(S)

PRIVATE

UNOCCUPIED

COMMERCIAL

PARK

STRUCTURE

BOTH

WORK IN PROGRESS

EDUCATIONAL

PRIVATE RESIDENCE

SITE

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

ACCESSIBLE

ENTERTAINMENT

RELIGIOUS

OBJECT

IN PROCESS

YES: RESTRICTED

GOVERNMENT

SCIENTIFIC

BEING CONSIDERED

YES: UNRESTRICTED

INDUSTRIAL

TRANSPORTATION

NO

MILITARY

OTHER: rehab. pending

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Mr. & Mrs. Charles Sivley ✓

Owners-Continued

STREET & NUMBER

Route 9, Box 946

CITY, TOWN

Hopkinsville

VICINITY OF

STATE

Kentucky

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Christian County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

Main Street

CITY, TOWN

Hopkinsville

STATE

Kentucky

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Survey of Historic Sites in Kentucky

DATE

1977

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Kentucky Heritage Commission

CITY, TOWN

Frankfort

STATE

Kentucky

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Located on the south side of East 16th Street in Hopkinsville, Kentucky, Lone Oak is the only remaining structure dating from the first half of the nineteenth century in what is now a late nineteenth century residential neighborhood. The town of Hopkinsville, with a population of approximately 21,500 is the seat of government for Christian County located in the southwestern portion of the state.

Constructed between 1834-36, Lone Oak is a two-story, seven-bay, brick residence (see photo 1). Six-over-six pane windows with jack arches pierce the first floor facade. The second floor window openings are the same size as the first, indicating these were also six-over-six originally; however, they have been altered to two-over-two. A full-height, pedimented portico supported by four stuccoed brick piers shelters the three central bays. Within its wooden tympanum is a shell design. Pendant-like dentils adorn the portico's entablature (see photo 2), and this same molding is found on the transom bar over the front door. The delicate entrance consists of fluted trim, narrow five-pane sidelights, and a notched-panel door (see photo 3). Above is a large transom consisting of two rows of slender, rectangular lights matching the sidelights. Corbelled brick chimneys rise from the east and west gable ends, and a standing seam metal roof protects the house. A one-story, frame ell is located on the northwest.

On the interior, the plan is unusual for structures in this area in that it embodies a cross axis entrance hall rather than the customary central passage (see sketch plan). The woodwork includes fluted door and window trim with circular corner blocks, panelled door jambs, and raised panel doors. In the west room, the deep baseboards reveal raised panels. The rectangular fireplace opening has a cut-stone surround and a tall, graceful mantle with a shelf that continues around the chimney breast. Slender colonnettes on plain pedestals support the frieze which contains bed moldings, a central tablet, and end blocks displaying finial-like moldings. The east room is less formal. The mantle resembles that in the west room but is of a smaller scale with a plain frieze and panelled end blocks. Cupboards with multi-panelled doors and enframed by panelled woodwork flank the fireplace.

The structure is essentially intact, and the present owners plan to rehabilitate the house for use as a restaurant. *

The nominated acreage consists of the approximately one-quarter acre lot on which the house rests.

* In order to comply with the present regulations, the rehabilitation will involve the installation of modern conveniences, new electrical and plumbing systems, and the addition of a door on the second floor rear elevation. The kitchen will be located in the frame ell.

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 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
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

1834

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

Judge Joseph B. Crockett

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Lone Oak, located on 16th Street in Hopkinsville, Kentucky was constructed by Judge Joseph B. Crockett (1808-1884) when the community of Hopkinsville was still considered a frontier area. Crockett was a prominent lawyer and politician who served Christian County for many years in local and state government. Later, Lone Oak became the home of James F. Buckner, a well-known Whig and close associate of Kentucky Senator Henry Clay. Buckner was responsible for nominating Clay for the presidency at the Baltimore Convention in 1844. Architecturally, Lone Oak is one of the best preserved of the surviving examples of Greek Revival style in Hopkinsville.

The paternal grandfather of Joseph B. Crockett, of the same name, (1742-1829) served as a Colonel in the Revolutionary War. After coming to Jessamine County in 1784 he was appointed United States marshall for the District of Kentucky by President Thomas Jefferson. Crockett represented Fayette County in the Virginia Legislature from 1786 to 1790 and also in the Kentucky Legislature beginning in 1792 through 1795. Under Kentucky's first Constitution, Crockett was elected Senator and served as magistrate of Fayette County simultaneously.

His grandson, Joseph Crockett, was born in Jessamine County near Union Mills in 1808. Several years later his family moved to Logan County where they lived for many years. After attending the University of Nashville for a year, Joseph began reading law with Charles Morehead who became Governor of Kentucky in 1855.

In 1832 Crockett purchased 5 1/4 acres of land, which was part of the original land grant of Bartholomew T. Wood who founded Hopkinsville in 1797. Coincidentally, the same year he was elected to the Kentucky Legislature. Lone Oak was begun in 1834 and Joseph and his wife, the former Caroline M. Bryan, moved in the following year. About this time Crockett was reelected to the Legislature and two years later appointed Commonwealth Attorney for Christian County.

Sometime in 1840 Joseph Crockett moved his family to St. Louis where he practiced law and became editor of The Intelligencer, a local newspaper. He served the public for the last time in 1868 when he was appointed to serve as Chief Justice of the California Supreme Court. Joseph Crockett retired in 1880 and passed away four years later.

The Crockett family sold Lone Oak to Tandy H. Trice in 1843 and the property changed hands many times after that.

James F. Buckner, a former law partner of Crockett's, purchased Lone Oak in 1845. Buckner received his education from Transylvania College, graduating in 1836. After his partnership with Crockett dissolved, Buckner was elected to the Kentucky Legislature and made Speaker of the House of Representatives in 1847. Eight years later he was elected to the State Senate. A strong Union man during the Civil War,

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Young, Bennett H. A History of Jessamine County, Kentucky. Louisville, Kentucky: Courier-Journal Job Printing Co., 1898.

Additional information provided or supplied by the owners.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY approx. 1/4

QUADRANGLE NAME Hopkinsville

QUADRANGLE SCALE 1: 24000

UTM REFERENCES

A 16 | 456460 | 40791320
 ZONE EASTING NORTHING

B | |
 ZONE EASTING NORTHING

C | |

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

A rectangular lot approximately 1/4 acre in size-bounded on the north by 16th Street and on the east by Clay Street. See site 134 on Lot Line Map of Hopkinsville, Kentucky (March 30, 1970). Scale included.

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

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Jayne Henderson, Historian; Charlotte Schneider, Architectural Historian

ORGANIZATION

Kentucky Heritage Commission

DATE

February 1979

STREET & NUMBER

104 Bridge Street

TELEPHONE

(502) 564-3741

CITY OR TOWN

Frankfort

STATE

Kentucky

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 National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

Donna C. Hopkins

TITLE

Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer 2-26-79

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

ATTEST: *Charles...*
 KEYSER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER
 OFFICE OF REGISTRATION

DATE 9-3-79

DATE 3/15/79

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Mr. & Mrs. Curtis Brasher
Cox Mill Road
Hopkinsville, Kentucky

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James Buckner was outspoken in his views. On two occasions Lone Oak was threatened by angry, torch carrying mobs, protesting Buckner's Unionist leanings.

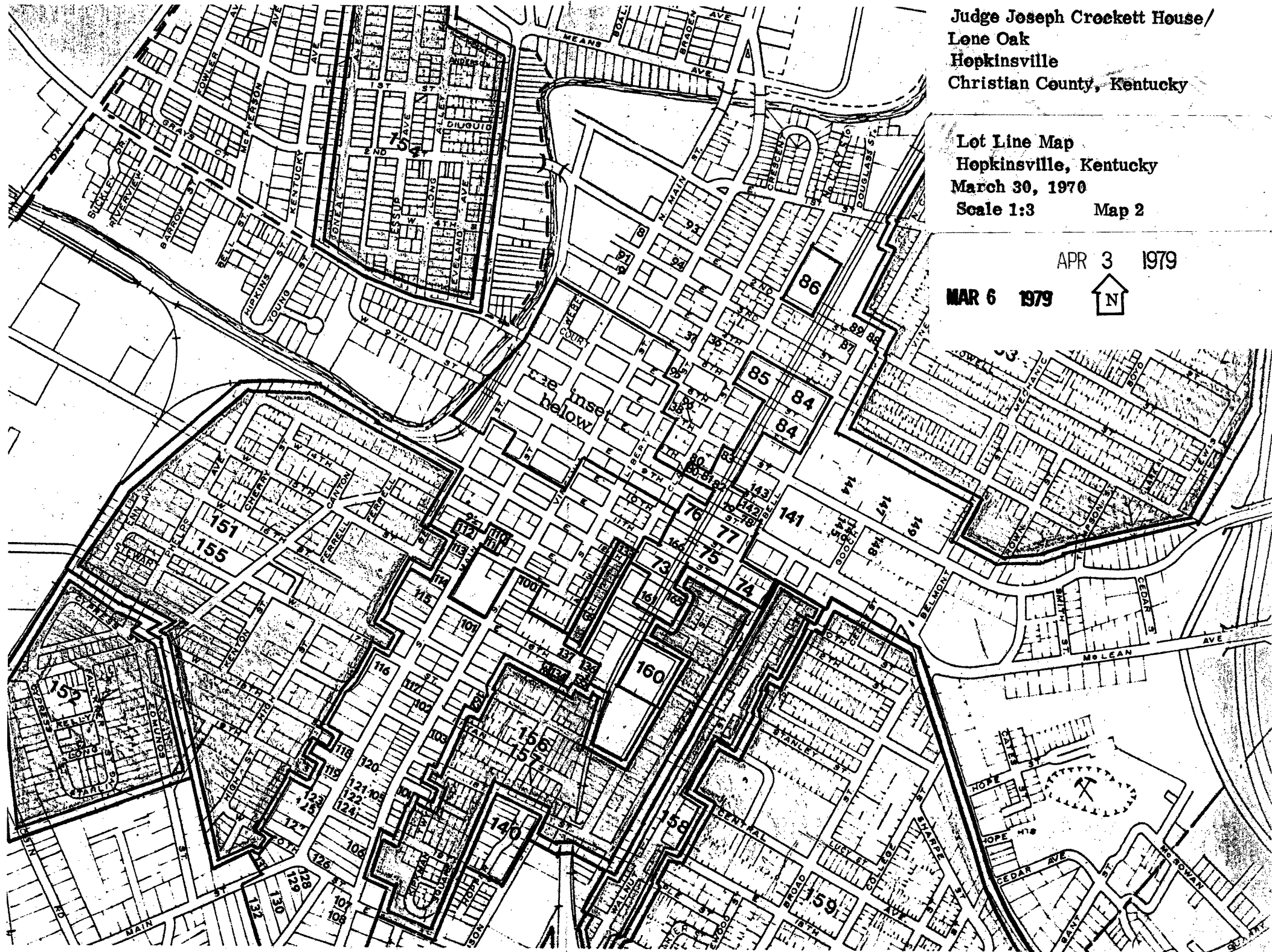
After 1865 when James Buckner sold Lone Oak for \$7,000, the property changed owners many times. However, none had impacts on Kentucky like those of Joseph B. Crockett and James F. Buckner.

Judge Joseph Crockett House/
Lone Oak
Hopkinsville
Christian County, Kentucky

Lot Line Map
Hopkinsville, Kentucky
March 30, 1970
Scale 1:3 Map 2

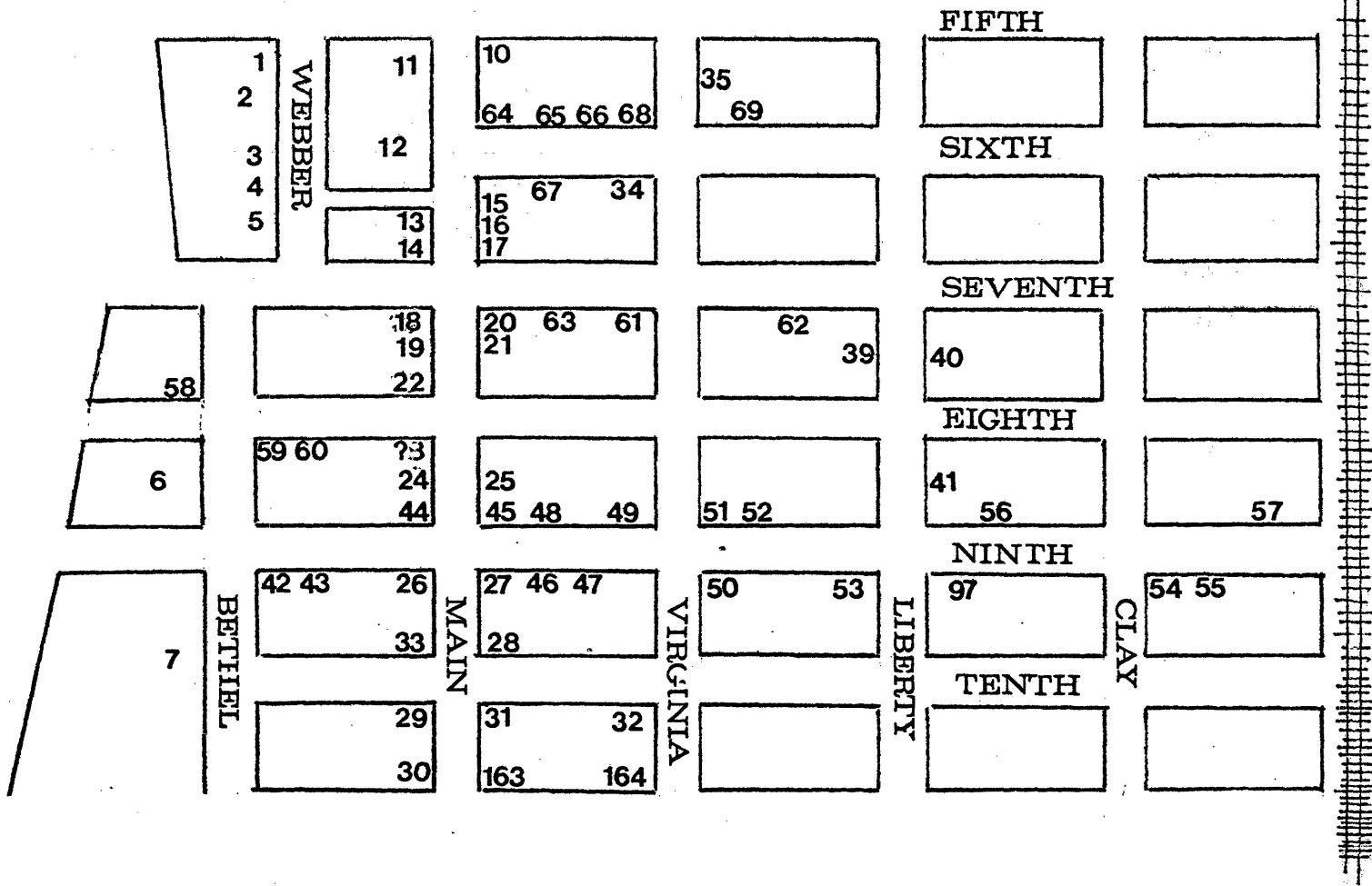
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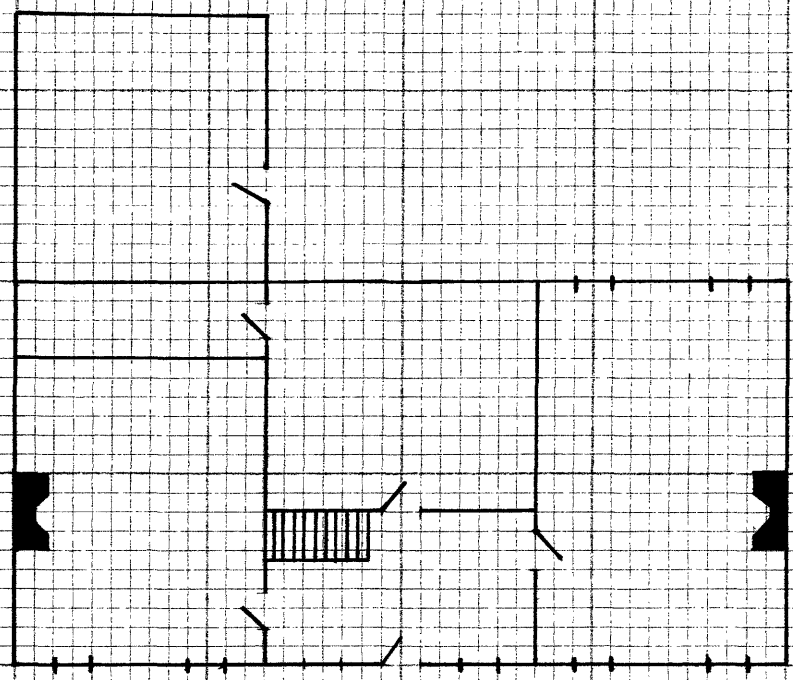
Lot Line Map
 Hopkinsville, Kentucky
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 Scale 1:3
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 Map 3



SCALE 1:3

Judge Joseph B. Crockett House
Lone Oak
Hopkinsville
Christian County
Kentucky

Sketch plan
Not to scale.



Judge Joseph B. Crockett House
Lone Oak
Hopkinsville
Christian County
Kentucky

Charlotte Schneider
Kentucky Heritage Commission
Frankfort, Kentucky
February 1979

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Sketch plan

Not to scale.

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Map 4.