

1. Historic Name (s) <b>Abell House</b>		22. ADD/County <b>VI Jefferson/Jefferson</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>																												
Original Owner <b>Joseph Abell</b>		23. Zoning Classification <b>Magisterial District</b>																												
Present Name		24. U.S.G. S. Quadrant (15'/75') <b>Jeffersontown, Kentucky</b>																												
3. Owner's Name <b>Thomas H. Thompson</b>		25. UTM Reference <table border="1" style="display: inline-table; border-collapse: collapse;"><tr><td>1</td><td>6</td><td>6</td><td>2</td><td>8</td><td>8</td><td>1</td><td>0</td><td>4</td><td>2</td><td>3</td><td>3</td><td>7</td><td>0</td><td>0</td></tr><tr><td colspan="4">Zone</td><td colspan="4">Easting</td><td colspan="4">Northing</td></tr></table>		1	6	6	2	8	8	1	0	4	2	3	3	7	0	0	Zone				Easting				Northing			
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4. Owner's Address <b>1 2210 Old Shelbyville Road, Middletown</b>		26. Prehistoric Site <b>Historic Site Building X</b>																												
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6. Open to Public Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	7. Visible from road Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	27. District Name: <b>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></b>																												
8. Ownership Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/>		28. Significance Evaluation <b>State</b>																												
9. Local Contact/Organization <b>Blaine Guthrie/Middletown</b>		29. Status <table border="1" style="display: inline-table; border-collapse: collapse;"><tr><td>National Landmark</td><td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td>Date</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>National Register</td><td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td></td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Landmark Certificate</td><td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td></td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Kentucky Survey</td><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td><td><b>1971</b></td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Local Landmark</td><td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td></td><td></td></tr><tr><td>HABS/HAER</td><td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td></td><td></td></tr></table>		National Landmark	<input type="checkbox"/>	Date		National Register	<input type="checkbox"/>			Landmark Certificate	<input type="checkbox"/>			Kentucky Survey	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>1971</b>		Local Landmark	<input type="checkbox"/>			HABS/HAER	<input type="checkbox"/>					
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10. Site Plan with North Arrow <b>B23 L163</b>		30. Theme Primary <b>Architecture</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Secondary <b>Exploration/Settle-</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Other <b>ment</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>																												
Lot 163, Block 23/no sig out-bldgs		11. Architect																												
		12. Builder																												
		13. Date <b>Ca. 1804</b>																												
		14. Style <b>Federal</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>																												
		15. Original Use <b>Dwelling</b>																												
16. Present Use <b>Dwelling</b>		31. Endangered Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>																												
17. Condition <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Interior <b>Excellent</b> Exterior <b>Excellent</b>		32. <b>ATTACH PHOTO</b>																												
18. Description The Abell house is a five-bay two-story brick structure with a one-story wing extending off the east side of the main block. The brick is laid in Flemish bond in front with queen closers at the ends. The sides and back are laid in common. Interior brick chimneys are located at the ends of the main block and ell. The front entrance in the center bay is composed of (SEE NEXT PAGE)		Roll No. _____ Picture No. _____ Direction _____																												
19. History The house was built circa 1804 by Joseph Abell, an early Kentucky settler and land speculator. It is the only surviving Federal brick house in Middletown and retains its original mantels and woodwork. Joseph Abell, born in Maryland in 1752, emigrated to Mason County, Kentucky at a very early date. In 1803, while residing in (SEE NEXT PAGE)		33. Tape No. _____ Negative No. _____																												
20. Significance The Abell House is significant as an excellent example of Federal Architecture built by an early settler in Middletown. The details are very fine, especially the entrance.		34. Prepared by: <b>Mary Cronan Oppel</b> <b>Historian</b>																												
21. Source of Information <u>Atlas of Jefferson and Oldham Counties, Kentucky</u> Philadelphia: Beers and Lanagan, 18 79. (SEE NEXT PAGE)		35. Organization <b>Kentucky Heritage Commission</b>																												
		36. Date <b>February 1977</b>																												
		37. Revision Dates <b>October 4, 1979</b> <b>JCOHP</b>																												
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double doors with a five-light transom above and five pane sidelights. A one-story porch frames the opening. The first floor facade windows have nine-over-six pane sash, with jack arches above and narrow wooden sills below, while the second floor openings have six-over-six.

The layout of the house is composed of a central hall with a room off each side. All of the original woodwork remains intact.

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Mason County, he bought 600 acres of land near Middletown. Sometime after this date Abell built the present brick house. He bought and sold a great deal of land in the Jefferson County area. Abell died in 1843.

The house was purchased in 1865 by Thomas Lee Jordan of West Virginia.

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Wood, Edith. Middletown's Days and Deeds. By the Author, 1946.