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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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

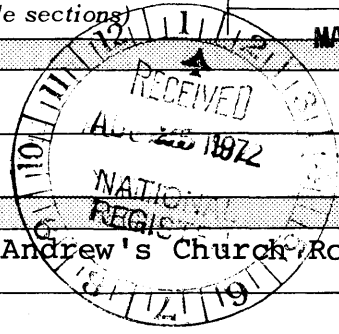
STATE: Maryland	
COUNTY: St. Mary's	
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(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

1. NAME

COMMON:
St. Andrew's Church

AND/OR HISTORIC:



2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: **west side of St. Andrew's Church Road, 5 miles east of Leonardtown.**

CITY OR TOWN:
Leonardtown

STATE Maryland	CODE 24	COUNTY: St. Mary's	CODE 037
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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"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered <input type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> Government	<input type="checkbox"/> Park	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/> Comments
<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> Industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Educational	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Religious		
<input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Scientific		

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
St. Andrew's Church Parish Wilton Dakis, Senior Warden

STREET AND NUMBER:
St. Andrew's Church, St. Andrew's Church Road

CITY OR TOWN: Leonardtown	STATE: Maryland	CODE 24
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5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Hall of Records

STREET AND NUMBER:
St. John's College Campus, College Avenue

CITY OR TOWN: Annapolis	STATE: Maryland	CODE 24
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6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
Maryland Register of Historic Sites and Landmarks

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

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
Maryland Historical Trust

STREET AND NUMBER:
2525 Riva Road

CITY OR TOWN: Annapolis	STATE: Maryland	CODE 24
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7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unaltered		<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site	

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

St. Andrew's Church is located five miles east of Leonardtown, Maryland, on the west side of St. Andrew's Church Road.

The exterior of the nave of St. Andrew's Church is a rectangular brick box laid in Flemish bond with an "A" roof and round arched windows trimmed with brick segmental arches. On the west front, however, all convention is abandoned in a flourish of architectural forms. At both the northwest and southwest corners stands a two-story square brick tower with a diminutive spire. Brick quoins trim the corners of the towers up to the string course. Each tower has two niches on the west side that are framed with a raised brick arch, awaiting some appropriate statue or urn. On the south and north side of each tower is a round arched window situated above a shallow recess framed with a brick arch.

Between the towers at ground level is a recessed one-story loggia. Above the loggia is a two-tiered gallery lighted by a Palladian window centered under the pedimented gable end. A separate exterior door and staircase lead to the upper tier of the gallery, and an interior step ladder leads to the lower gallery.

On the interior, the church has a barrel-vault ceiling over the nave which is supported by columns with Ionic capitals. Each of the two side aisles has a flat ceiling. The original flagstones pave the floor. The carved wooden reredos have fluted Ionic pilasters which frame Biblical quotations painted by John Friech in 1771. The church has box pews.



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8. 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) 1766-1767

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The "dean" of Maryland architectural historians, Henry Chand-lee Forman, has said: "The most interesting facade of all the Georgian churches in the Free State undoubtedly belongs to St. Andrew's Church," ¹ The pastiche of architectural forms on the western facade of St. Andrew's is unequalled in eighteenth-century Maryland architecture.

Richard Boulton designed the church in 1766. He is attributed with the design and execution of the outstanding carving and ornamentation at Sotterley, located approximately ten miles northeast of St. Andrew's, and at Bushwood, another St. Mary's County house which burned in the twentieth century. Very little is known about Boulton's career. The fact that he worked for George Plater of Sotterley who was a member of St. Andrew's Parish may explain the vestry's choice of Boulton to design their church.

St. Andrew's vestry records give a complete and detailed accounting of the construction of the church. On April 26, 1766, the vestry recorded their specifications. The building was to be fifty feet, exclusive of the chancel, by forty feet, with painted and wainscoted box pews with doors, flagstone aisles, an Ionic altar piece, a cypress shingle roof, quoins made of stock bricks, an arched ceiling, and flat ceilings over the two side aisles, all with an aisle height of fourteen feet. These specifications still adequately describe St. Andrew's Church.

Although the vestry was very particular, as illustrated in the above specifications, they allowed Boulton a free hand in the design of the exterior. An irrational, naive west facade resulted which contrasts markedly with the usual harmonious, rational, and understated facades of most eighteenth-century churches, e.g., Christ Church, Lancaster County, Virginia. However, the quality of St. Andrew's comes from this architectural quirk.

In 1744, St. Andrew's Parish was created in St. Mary's County to provide an Anglican church for Leonardtown, the county seat. According to canon law, the parish could not officially

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Daugherty, the Rev. R. C. "The Church of England in Maryland Especially in St. Mary's County 1634-1776." Chronicles of St. Mary's. Vol. XIV. (October 1966), 309-327.

Forman, Henry Chandlee. Maryland Architecture A Short History from 1634 through the Civil War. Cambridge, Maryland: Tidewater Publishers, 1968.

Forman. Tidewater Maryland Architecture and Gardens. New York: Bonanza Books, 1956. [see continuation sheet]

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: **sixteen acres**

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:
Nancy Miller, Historian

ORGANIZATION: **Maryland Historical Trust** DATE: **July 25, 1972**

STREET AND NUMBER:
2525 Riva Road

CITY OR TOWN: **Annapolis** STATE: **Maryland 21401** CODE: **24**

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 Orlando Ridout IV
Orlando Ridout IV

Title State Liaison Officer for Maryland

Date July 26, 1972

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

Robert W. Utley
Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date 3/14/73

ATTEST: [Signature]
Keeper of The National Register

Date 3-7-73

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be established until the priests of the two older parishes out of which St. Andrew's was laid had died or left their churches.

Although early members of St. Andrew's included some outstanding residents of Southern Maryland, including Governor George Plater, the church never flourished, and it closed in 1870. In 1934, St. Andrew's opened its doors for the Maryland Tercentenary celebration.

Services are conducted at St. Andrew's during ^{3!} of each year, denoting a revival of local interest in the building. (as of 1972)

Henry Chandlee Forman, Maryland Architecture A Short History from 1634 through the Civil War (Cambridge, Maryland: Tidewater Publishers, 1968), p. 46.

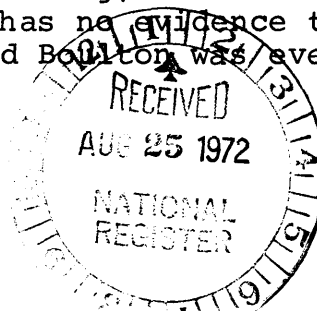
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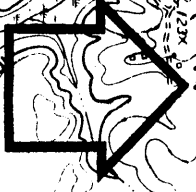
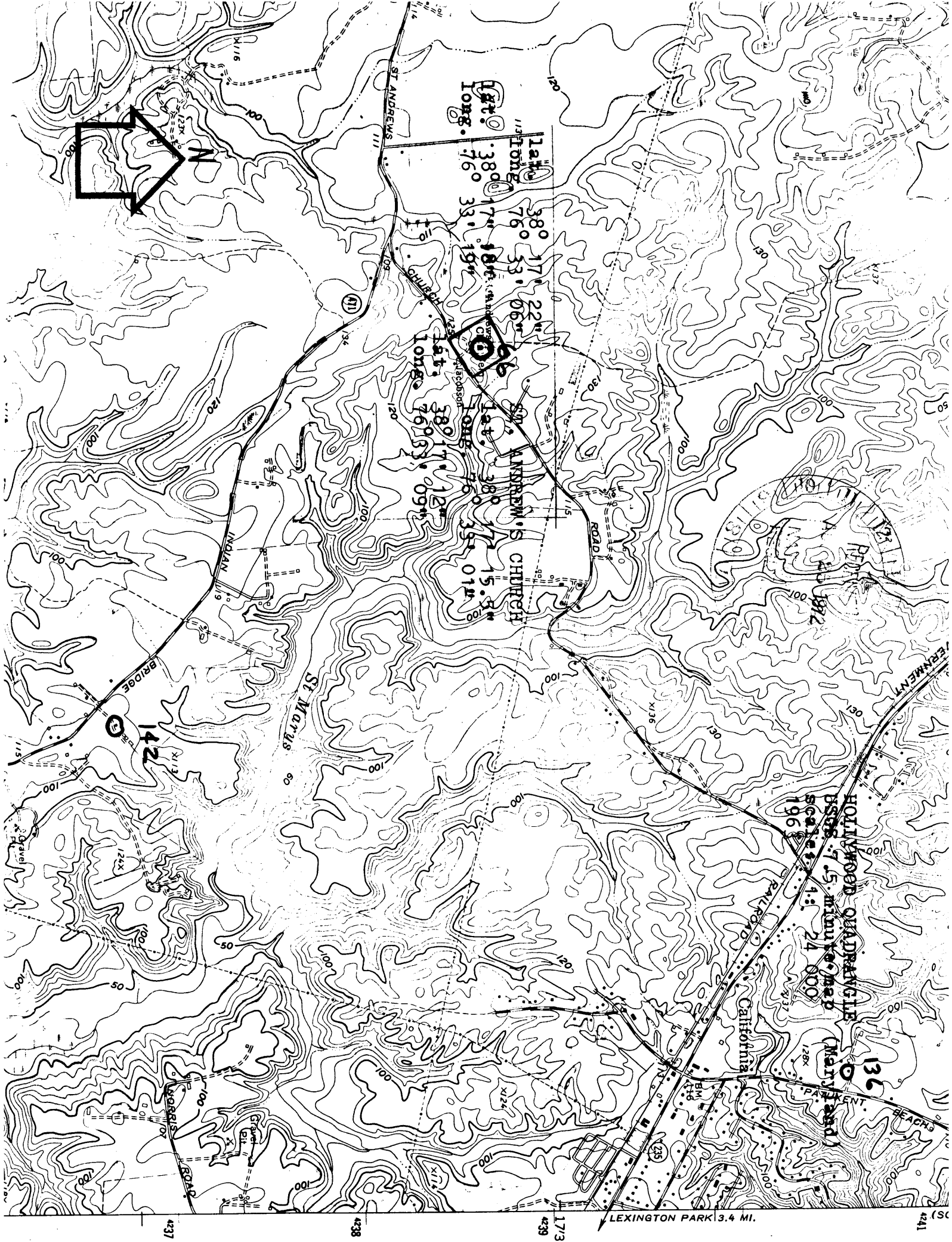
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Waite, James. Colonial Williamsburg, Inc. July 21, 1971. Colonial Williamsburg has no evidence to support the contention that Richard Bollton was ever in Williamsburg, Virginia.





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