

KENTUCKY HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

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Ht-2

1. Historic Name (s) General George T. Wood House		22. ADD/County Barren River/Hart	
Original Owner George T. Wood		23. Zoning Classification Magisterial District	
Present Name		24. U.S.G. S. Quadrant (15'/75')	
3. Owner's Name J.D. Craddock, III & Col. Luther Caldwell		25. UTM Reference Zone Easting Northing	
4. Owner's Address Second & Caldwell Streets, Mundfordville		26. Prehistoric Site Object Historic Site Structure Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
5. Location Second & Caldwell Streets, Munfordville		27. District Yes No Name:	
6. Open to Public Yes No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		28. Significance Evaluation	
7. Visible from road Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		29. Status Date National Landmark National Register Landmark Certificate Kentucky Survey Local Landmark HABS/HAER	
8. Ownership Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local State Federal		30. Primary Area of Significance: Secondary <u>Politics/Government</u> Tertiary <u>Architecture</u> Other	
9. Local Contact/Organization		31. Endangered Yes No	
10. Site Plan with North Arrow		32. ATTACH PHOTO	
11. Architect		Roll No. _____ Picture No. <u>5-7</u> Direction _____	
12. Builder		33. Tape No. _____ Negative No. _____	
13. Date Ca. 1834-35		34. Prepared by: AOJ/FMC	
14. Style		35. Organization KHC	
15. Original Use residence		36. Date <u>April 1977</u>	
16. Present Use residence		37. Revision Dates	
17. Condition Interior good Exterior good		38. Staff Review	
18. Description The Wood House is one of five brick houses in Munfordville constructed during the 1830s, and is very similar to the two which are of two stories—the Barret and Smith houses (Ht-3 and 18). The two-story brick houses are all of central-hall plan, five bays wide, and have a rear wing to one side. The visible architectural evidence here, however, seems to indicate that the Wood House was originally three bays wide, with a side (over)			
19. History George Wood, Hart County's first County Court Clerk and Circuit Court Clerk, ¹ was the brother-in-law of Dr. Lewis Barret (Ht-3). Wood's son Thomas was a West Point graduate and attained the rank of Major General during the Civil War. Another son, Henry, was a member of the Kentucky Court of Appeals. After Henry's death in 1876, the house was sold out of the Wood family. (over)			
20. Significance Thought to have been built about 1835 or 1835, this large brick structure was the home of George T. Wood, who served as Hart County's Court Clerk and Circuit Court Clerk from the formation of the county in 1819 until just prior to the outbreak of the Civil War. (over)			
21. Source of Information			

18. Description

hall plan, as the left three bays of the main block have splayed flat
aches, while the right two bays do not. The fine fanlit doorway, of
Federal style, is original, as is some of the other woodwork, although
the interior was largely remodelled in the early twentieth century.
There remains on the rear wing (and may remain across the front under
the present porch) a section of the original profiled brick cornice.
Occupying an entire block opposite, and uphill from the courthouse,
the Wood House is surrounded by large trees and shrubs.

19. History

¹The two positions were combined until 1850, when the Legislature
provided for the office of Circuit Court Clerk.

20. Significance

The building which occupies a large corner lot across from the
courthouse, is one of few surviving brick structures in Mumfordsville.
Of special interest is the Federal fanlit doorway.

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