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INDIVIDUAL DATA SHEET

General Description

Code: FA-023

Congressional District: Second

✓ Name: Fraunthal House (Thompson TR), Current Owner: Don Wilkerson  
✓ Address: 631 Western  
Conway, Arkansas  
✓ County: Faulkner Address: 631 Western  
Conway, Arkansas 72032

Architectural Information

Architectural Firm: Charles Thompson

Date of Construction: 1913

Stylistic Influence: Colonial Revival

Original Use: Residence

Present Use: Residence

Geographical Information

UTM Reference: 15 549440/3882640

Acreage: 2.2 acres

Verbal Boundary Description: Donaghey Addition  
Lots 1 & 2

Condition

☒ Excellent  
☐ Good  
☐ Fair

☐ Deteriorated  
☐ Ruins  
☐ Unexposed

☒ Unaltered  
☐ Altered

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Physical Description

This large two-story house occupies a huge plot of ground shaded with large trees and is the focal point at the dead end of Louisiana Street in Conway. It is surrounded by a native stone rubble wall capped with a simple iron fence with two large stone piers and an iron gate forming an entrance to the property. The Georgian Revival influenced structure exhibits strong Craftsman influence as well. The rectangular house is faced with dark brown brick and capped by gable end tile roof with large Craftsman style brackets lining the overhanging eaves at the gable ends. An end chimney protrudes through the gable overhang on the north elevation; the north side elevation also features a large, open, flat roof porch from which extends the porte-cochere; square rubble fieldstone piers support both porte-cochere and porch. On the south side elevation, a large greenhouse projects from the main block of the house. The dominant feature of the facade is the projecting pedimented portico in which a full entablature is supported by four monumental Tuscan columns. Large modillion blocks line the cornice and the pediment; the latter is faced with stucco and decorated with a single round window. Above the paneled front door with multi-pane sidelights and transom appears a group of three long casement windows underscored by a small wrought iron railing lending the effect of a balcony.

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Statement of Significance

The Fraunthal House in Conway, Arkansas, was constructed in 1913. Designed by Charles L. Thompson, the house is an unusual blend of Colonial Revival and Craftsman Style elements. The Fraunthal House makes a formal statement although many informal Craftsman Style details are featured in the design. These Craftsman details include large brackets lining the overhanging eaves at the gable ends, stucco and pseudo half-timbering on the south end of the facade and the wide six-over-one light sash windows. The dominate feature of the facade is the projecting pedimented portico in which a full entablature is supported by four monumental Tuscan columns. The house is the focal point of its neighborhood, situated back from the street and surrounded by an iron fence.

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Physical Description

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Craftsman style effects are seen in the stucco and pseudo half-timbering on the south end of the facade, the large brackets at the gable ends, the rubble stone piers, and in the use of wide six-over-one light sash windows. In addition, the two large windows which flank the front door feature wide panes, the lower being plate glass and the upper having muntins arranged in Prairie Style geometric patterns. A large terrace enclosed by a low fieldstone wall extends around the front of the house.

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Multiple Resource Area  
Thematic GroupName Thompson, Charles L., Design Collection Thematic Resources  
State Arkansas

## Nomination/Type of Review

## Date/Signature

21. First Baptist Church

Entered in the  
National Registerfor  
Keeper

Selove Byers 12/22/82

Attest

22. Fraunthal House

Substantive Review

Keeper

Bruce L. Doyle 12/22/82

Attest

accept Patrick Andrus 12/13/82

23. Wade Building

Entered in the  
National Register

Keeper

Selove Byers 12/22/82

Attest

Return PWA 12/13/82

24. Park Hotel

Entered in the  
National Registerfor  
Keeper

Selove Byers 12/22/82

Attest

25. First Presbyterian Church

Substantive Review

Keeper

Bruce L. Doyle 12/22/82

Attest

26. Fordyce House

Entered in the  
National Registerfor  
Keeper

Selove Byers 12/22/82

Attest

27. St. Luke's Episcopal  
ChurchEntered in the  
National Registerfor  
Keeper

Selove Byers 12/22/82

Attest

28. Riviera Hotel

Substantive Review

Keeper

Bruce L. Doyle 12/22/82

Attest

accept Patrick Andrus 12/13/82

29. May-Marlar Grocery

Substantive Review

Keeper

Bruce L. Doyle 12/22/82

Attest

eligible Patrick Andrus 12/13/82

30. Swaim House

Substantive Review

Keeper

Bruce L. Doyle 12/22/82

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eligible Patrick Andrus 12/13/82

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## Substantive Review

Fraunthal House (Thompson, Charles L., Design  
Collection TR)  
Faulkner County  
ARKANSAS

Working No. 11/9/82-3026Fed. Reg. Date: 2.7.84Date Due: 12/9/82 - 12/24/82Action: ☒ ACCEPT 12/24/82  
☐ RETURN  
☐ REJECT

Federal Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ resubmission  
☐ nomination by person or local government  
☐ owner objection  
☐ appeal

Substantive Review: ☒ sample ☐ request ☐ appeal ☐ NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria accept-cReviewer Patrick AndrusDiscipline HistorianDate 12/13/82☐ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: ☐ technical corrections cited below  
☐ substantive reasons discussed below

✓ 1. Name✓ 2. Location✓ 3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

✓ 4. Owner of Property✓ 5. Location of Legal Description✓ 6. Representation in Existing Surveyshas this property been determined eligible? ☐ yes ☐ no

## 7. Description

Condition	Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> moved
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed	<input type="checkbox"/> date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

☒ summary paragraph  
☒ completeness  
☒ clarity  
☒ alterations/integrity  
☒ dates  
☐ boundary selection



## 8. Significance

Period \_\_\_\_\_ Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates \_\_\_\_\_ Builder/Architect \_\_\_\_\_

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

- ☒ summary paragraph
- ☒ completeness
- ☒ clarity
- ☒ applicable criteria
- ☒ justification of areas checked
- ☒ relating significance to the resource
- ☒ context
- ☒ relationship of integrity to significance
- ☐ justification of exception
- ☐ other

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

## 10. Geographical Data

Address of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_

Geographic name \_\_\_\_\_

UNIT References \_\_\_\_\_

Verbal boundary description and justification \_\_\_\_\_

## 11. Form Prepared By

## 12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

\_\_\_\_ national \_\_\_\_ state \_\_\_\_ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_

## 13. Other

- ☐ Maps
- ☐ Photographs
- ☐ Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: 202 272-3504

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet



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CHARLES L. THOMPSON DESIGN COLLECTION -  
A THEMATIC GROUP

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Photographed by: Greg Hursley  
May, 1982  
Negative on file at AHPP  
Viewed from the West





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Viewed from the south



# Structures in Arkansas Represented by the Charles L. Thompson Design Collection

Conway, Faulkner Co., Arkansas

Quadrangle Name: Conway, Ark.

Scale: 1:24,000

UTM Reference: FA-016 15 550120/3882950  
FA-017 15 550550/3882980  
FA-018 15 550930/3884260  
FA-019 15 550830/3883870

FA-020 15 550940/3884010  
FA-021 15 550940/3883180  
FA-022 15 550400/3882700  
FA-023 15 549440/3882640

