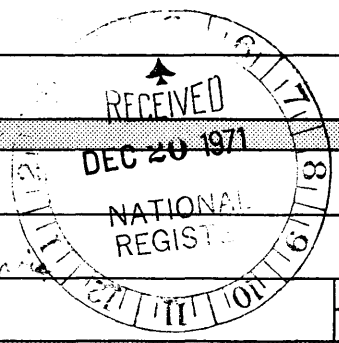


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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM**

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: ALABAMA	
COUNTY: WALKER	
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ENTRY NUMBER	DATE
	MAR 24 1972



1. NAME

COMMON:
Gilchrist ~~Home~~ *Home*

AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
Pleasantfield-Evansbridge Road

CITY OR TOWN:
Section 22, Township 165, Range 8 west *Cordova area*

STATE Alabama	CODE 01	COUNTY: Walker	CODE 127
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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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	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"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Comments _____

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Winchester

STREET AND NUMBER:
140 23rd Court South

CITY OR TOWN: Birmingham	STATE: Alabama	CODE 01
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5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Walker County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER:
19th Street

CITY OR TOWN: Jasper	STATE: Alabama	CODE 01
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6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:

DATE OF SURVEY: Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:	STATE:	CODE
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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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered		<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site	

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Gilchrist Home is an early southern farmhouse to which several additions have been added over the years. The two-story frame structure, which is elevated on piers, is constructed of large timbers.

Originally the house was a rectangular structure with one room on each of the two floors and two end-exterior chimneys. There were six windows with wooden shutters. These windows have since been filled with glass. Two windows and two wide pine board doors were on the first floor and four smaller windows were on the second. The gabled metal roof, which was originally wooden shingle, has a projecting cornice.

During the late 1800's and early 1900's two one-story wings and a porch were added. One wing on the rear serves as the kitchen and the other, on the right as a bedroom. The porch extends beyond the full length of the facade and is covered by a slanting metal roof supported by wooden columns. A door was added to give access from the bedroom to this porch.

Stairs leading to the second floor were removed several years ago and have not been replaced.

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SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- | | | | |
|--|---------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century | |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | | | |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Gilchrist Home, an 1812 farmhouse located in Walker County, is one of the State's oldest structures. This landmark is believed to be the oldest farmhouse in the state and the oldest structure in Central and West Alabama.

Edmon Gilchrist migrated from Edgefield, South Carolina, first to Lowndes County, Alabama, then part of the Mississippi Territory. Later he moved his family into the area which is now Walker County, where he built his home in 1812. The year of his move into the territory is not known but the construction date of his home has been verified both by family records and a date on a brick taken from one of the chimneys.

Like many early settlers in the territory, he was a squatter until he homesteaded the land. The sheepskin patent of the land Gilchrist "entered" in Walker County is still in the possession of the family.

Gilchrist had a large family and the house has remained in the hands of his descendents, who still use it for a weekend retreat.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Harper, Marvin. "The Gilchrist Home," material on file at Alabama Historical Commission.
 Materials on file at Tuscaloosa County Preservation Society, Tuscaloosa.
 Selers, Terry, Jr. "Gilchrist, A Scottish Family," unpublished manuscripts on file at Alabama Historical Commission.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY				OR	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES							
CORNER	LATITUDE				LONGITUDE							
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NE	°	'	"	°	'	"						
SE	°	'	"	°	'	"						
SW	°	'	"	°	'	"						

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: less than 1 acre

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
 W. Warner Floyd, Executive Director

ORGANIZATION: Alabama Historical Commission

DATE: December 9, 1971

STREET AND NUMBER:
 305 South Lawrence Street

CITY OR TOWN: Montgomery

STATE: Alabama

CODE: 01

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: Wils B. Howard, Jr.

Title: SLC

Date: December 14, 1971

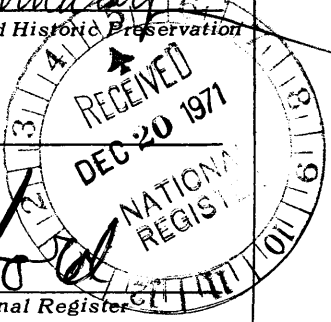
I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Ernest A. Connolly
 Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

DATE: MAR 24 1972

ATTEST:
W. Warner Floyd
 Keeper of The National Register

DATE: February 15, 1972



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