# TENNESSEE MULTIPLE PROPERTY FORM

Title: Historic Resources of Paris, Tennessee

County: Henry

Historic Name: Jernigan, E.K., House (Site # 6)

Common Name: Jernigan House

Classification Building

Owner: Mr. and Mrs. K.B. Humphreys, Jr., 207 Dunlap Street, Paris, Tennessee

Location: 207 Dunlap Street, Paris, Tennessee

Contributing:		Non-Contributing	
Buildings	1	Buildings	0
Structures	0	Structures	0
Sites	0	Sites	0
Total:	1	Total:	0

### Description:

The E.K. Jernigan House is a two-story brick Second Empire style residence constructed ca. 1910. The house is three bays in width and was built one room deep in the main section with a prominent rear one and one-half story ell wing. On the main (west) facade is a two-story portico with square columns and milled balusters added in 1987. This porch was built in imitation of an earlier porch on this facade although the original porch extended the full width of the house. The main entrance on the first story contains an original single light glass and frame door and leaded glass sidelights and transoms. Windows on the house are original one-over-one sash with modern added shutters. On the central bay of the second story is a single light glass and frame door and single light transom.

The most notable feature of the house is the straight sided mansard roof sheathed with metal shingles. At the roofline of the main facade is a projecting central bay containing a Palladian motif attic window with a central pediment and one-over-one sash lights. This central bay is flanked by two smaller gable dormers with one-over-one sash windows. At the roof eaves are dentils on all facades. Projecting from the roofline are two interior brick chimneys.

Windows on the side facades of the residence are paired one-over-over one sash with added shutters. In the rear wing the original porch has been enclosed but retains its original milled posts and vergeboard. The one-and-one half story wing also displays a mansard roof with dormers but the attached one-story wing has a hipped roof. The rear wing also has gable one-over-one sash dormers.

The interior of the house retains an original staircase with milled balusters and railing and a paneled newel post. Most mantles are also original and display fluted Ionic columns and egg and dart molding. All doors are original four panel design with fluted moldings and surrounds. There are no outbuildings.

Period of Significance: ca. 1910

Area of Significance: Architecture

#### Criterion: C

# Architect/Builder: Unknown

## Statement of Significance:

The E.K. Jernigan House is the only remaining example of the Second Empire style in Paris. Constructed ca. 1910, the house retains its original design and prominent mansard roof. In recent years a new porch was added on the main facade in imitation of the original porch. Despite this addition the original plan and form of the house is evident.

This lot contained an earlier frame home which was owned by the Aden family for many years. In 1902, this house was purchased by Mrs. E.K. Jernigan and between 1907 and 1913 the existing frame house was razed and this two-story brick residence was constructed. The Jernigan family acquired their wealth through investments in the medical firm of Dr. E.W. Grove. When the house was completed it was a late example of the Second Empire style with a prominent mansard roof on both the main section and rear wing. The house was occupied during much of the 20th century by Mrs. Jernigan's daughters, Mary and Alice Jernigan. They sold the property in 1946 and it passed through several owners until its purchase by the present owners in 1974.

In recent years the original porch of the house was removed and replaced with the present two-story portico. With the exception of new shutters and the enclosure of the rear porch few other changes have occurred to the residence. The Jernigan House is the only remaining example of the Second Empire style in Paris and retains its original form and design despite recent changes.

Acreage: Less than 1 acre.

UTM References: Paris Quad/16/381200/4018000

Verbal Boundary Description and Justification: The boundary for the E.K. Jernigan House is illustrated on accompanying Henry County tax map # 106A, block E, lot 19. The boundary is drawn to include all property presently associated with the house. The boundary includes sufficient property to protect the historical setting of the site.

Supplemental Bibliographical References:



