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KENTUCKY HISTORIC RESOURCES
Individual Inventory Form

Resource # 113
Madison County

1. Name of Resource:
William Walker House

2. Original Owner:
William Walker

3. Other Names:
J. D. Harris House /The Cedars

4. Prehistoric Site Building X Object
Historic Site Structure Other

5. Location:
Duncannon Road
Madison County

6. Owner's Name:
Ed and Sue Chenault [P]

7. Owner's Address:
Duncannon Road
Richmond, Kentucky 40475

8. Evaluation: [N]

9. Recognition & Date:
Nat.Landmark _____ Local Landmark _____
Nat.Register _____ HABS/HAER _____
Highway Marker _____ KY Inventory 1979
KY Landmark Certificate _____

10. N.R.Status & Date:

11. N.R.Group:
District Name: []
Mult.Resource Area: Madison Co. []
Thematic Name: []

12. Historical Theme:
Primary: Architecture [030]
Secondary: []
Other: []

13. Statement of Significance:

See attached.

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14. History:

See attached.

15. Source of historical information and/or contact person:
DAR records in Townsend Rm.
Beers map 1876
Ed and Sue Chenault
Madison County: 200 Years, pp. 151,154

16. Date:
Original Building prior to 1800 [9]
Addition 1825-1849 [7]

17. Style:
Federal [21]
Greek Revival [31]

18. Architect/Builder:
Unknown

19. No. of Stories: [2.0]

20. Original Floor Plan:
Central Passage [CP]

21. Single Pile X Double Pile N.A.

22. Roof Form & Material: Original _____
Gable/asbestos Not Original X

23. Structural Material:
Brick [B]

24. Exterior Material:
Brick [B]

25. Foundation Material:
Stone [S]

26. Major Alterations: None _____
Moved/Rebuilt Other _____
Additions X

27. Special Features:
None

28. Outbuildings: []

29. Original Function:
Single dwelling [01A]

30. Present Use:
Dwelling []

31. Condition:
Good [G]

32. Endangered: Yes _____
No X

33. Attach Photos:
Roll: Photo Nos: No. of Slides:
2 31-34



34. Prepared by: S. Willis/H. Powell

35. Organization: Madison Co. Hist. Soc.

36. Date: 1985

37. New Survey _____ Resurvey X

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38. UTM Point of Primary Building: Zone Easting Northing 39. G.I.S. Mod. []
 Quadrant: Richmond South 16 737440 4173400 40. Coordi.Accuracy []

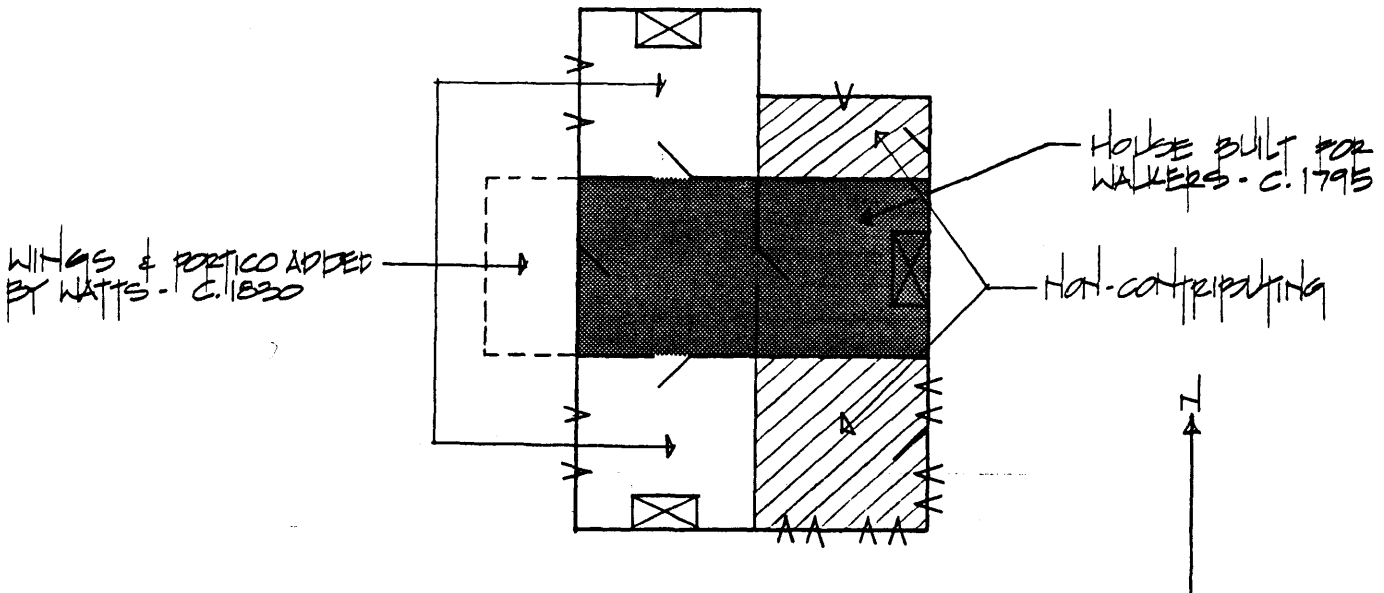
41. UTM Points of Boundary (for N. R. eligible sites only):

A.	---	-----	D.	---	-----
B.	---	-----	E.	---	-----
C.	---	-----	F.	---	-----

42. Total Acreage in Present Property: 43. Acreage included in proposed N.R. boundary:

44. Site Plan (and boundary description and justification for N.R. sites):

(See attached)



45. Description and House Plan:

The William Walker House is a two-story, five-bay brick residence. The front facade features a massive two-story pedimented porch upheld by pairs of tapering brick columns. The brick is laid on the west or front facade in eight course common bond with jack arches over the windows. The floor plan is a central passage, one room deep with interior brick end chimneys. The foundation is of stone. The windows have been altered with the addition of new sills. First floor windows are 6/9 while the second floor windows are 6/6. The central window in the second story is flanked by sidelights as is the central door on the first story. The central portion of the facade delineated by the portico is white plaster or cement. The original central two-story, one-room ell to the rear has been modified with the addition of a two-story, one-bay brick section on the north and a one-story frame sunroom on the south.

KENTUCKY HISTORIC RESOURCE INVENTORY SUPPLEMENT
BOUNDARY AND LOCATION INFORMATION

Historic Property Name William Walker House Site # Ma-113

Multiple Resource/Thematic Nomination Title MADISON COUNTY MRA

U.T.M. Coordinates - List multiple UTM's if property is ten or more acres.

A. _____ D. _____

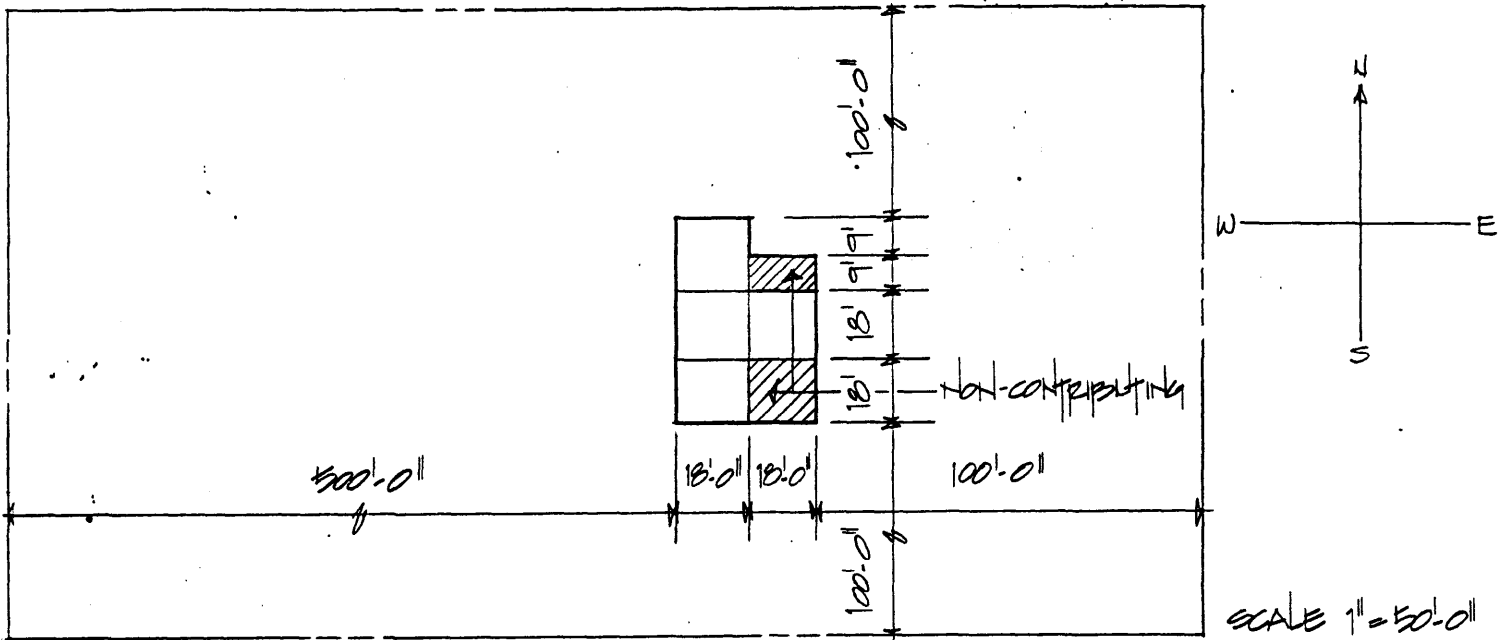
B. _____ E. _____

C. _____ F. _____

Verbal Boundary Description _____ Acreage 3.80

From a point of beginning 100 feet east and 100 feet south of the southeast corner of the building; then west 636 feet to a point; then north 254 feet to a point; then east 636 feet to a point; then south 254 feet to the point of beginning.

Sketch of Site Plan (Showing outbuildings, structures, landscape features and the site boundary as described above.)



Official Courthouse Property Reference: _____

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William Walker House

Statement of Significance

The William Walker House is significant under criterion C for the period ca. 1820 to 1840 as an example of how an earlier brick hall-parlor plan was used when the house was remodeled. The hall-parlor house became both the ell and the entry hall to a new house.

Verbal Boundary Justification

The boundary was chosen arbitrarily to provide a minimal setting for the house.

The boundary contains one contributing building.

14. History

William Walker (1769-1841) came to Kentucky in the 1790's and married Jane Bates (1776-1839) in 1795. Jane Bates' parents, John and Sarah Ferne Bates, built the earliest portion of the house for the Walkers as a wedding present. The house originally faced south towards Wilderness Road (see the floor plan). Children of William and Jane Walker include Owen and Jason Walker who married daughters of James Stone. By 1820, the Walker property belonged to Charles Sinclair Watts who added to the house and reoriented it to the west toward the Elliot Ford Road. Watts added two-story, one-room wings on the north and south sides of the original house as well as a two-story pedimented portico. In the mid-nineteenth century, the Walker House was owned by John D. Harris. Harris was one of the thirty-eight prominent men on the Citizens' Committee which resolved to remove J. G. Fee, J. A. R. Rogers and other abolitionists associated with Berea. In December of 1859, thirty-six people from Madison County, including Fee and Rogers, left Berea following night visits by the Citizens' Committee.