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National Register of Historic Places
Registration Form

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This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations of eligibility for individual properties or districts. See instructions in *Guidelines for Completing National Register Forms* (National Register Bulletin 16). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the requested information. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, styles, materials, and areas of significance, enter only the categories and subcategories listed in the instructions. For additional space use continuation sheets (Form 10-900a). Type all entries.

1. Name of Property

historic name Harris, A.T. house
other names/site number WD 189

2. Location

street & number Big Sink Pike NA not for publication
city, town Versailles vicinity
state Kentucky code KY county Woodford code 239 zip code 40383

3. Classification

Ownership of Property	Category of Property	Number of Resources within Property	
		Contributing	Noncontributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> public-local	<input type="checkbox"/> district	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u> sites
<input type="checkbox"/> public-State	<input type="checkbox"/> site	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u> structures
<input type="checkbox"/> public-Federal	<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u> objects
	<input type="checkbox"/> object	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u> Total

Name of related multiple property listing: Pisgah Area of Woodford County, Kentucky
Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that this nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet.

David L. Morgan 12-22-88
Signature of certifying official David L. Morgan, SHPO Date
Kentucky Heritage Council
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet.

NA
Signature of commenting or other official Date
State or Federal agency and bureau

5. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby, certify that this property is:

entered in the National Register. Alanus Bryan 2/10/89
 See continuation sheet.

determined eligible for the National Register. See continuation sheet.

determined not eligible for the National Register.

removed from the National Register.

other, (explain:)

Signature of the Keeper Date of Action

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC / single dwelling

Current Functions (enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC / single dwelling

7. Description

Architectural Classification

(enter categories from instructions)

Other/ Neo-Classical Revival

Materials (enter categories from instructions)

foundation stonewalls weatherboard

roof asphalt

other

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

The A.T. Harris house has undergone very little physical alteration since its construction circa 1907 by A.T. and Lena Harris. The property is a two-story, frame residence located amidst farm acreage and placed well west of the Big Sink Pike at the end of a private, tree-lined drive. The main block of the house is built on the traditional double pile, center passage plan. The exterior features symmetrical fenestration and features characteristic of the early 20th century Neo-Classical Revival. The two-story house is topped by a hip roof with slightly flared eave, has five frontal bays, cut limestone foundation and a balloon frame with weatherboard exterior. Details include a double, central gabled portico supported by squared pilasters and paired cylindrical columns in the Tuscan order; six-over-six and six-over-nine sash windows with ovolo trim; a slightly-elevated central entry with double, six-panelled doors, panelled side lights, and a leaded, elliptical fan light above. The portico covers a second story porch with entry and railing. Double end chimneys are located on the end walls. The rear, one-story ell is divided into three blocks each of diminishing size. That closest the main block contains a sun room. The smallest, rear mass has a shed roof and recessed entry. The interior contains a graceful, winding stair in the southwest corner of the wide entry hall; a reproduction Federal period mantle in the double parlor to the west; panelled wainscot in the dining room; and library completely panelled in cherry with marble surround fireplace and Greek Revival inspired mantle.

8. Statement of Significance

Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties:

nationally statewide locally

Applicable National Register Criteria A B C D

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions) A B C D E F G NA

Areas of Significance (enter categories from instructions)

Period of Significance

Significant Dates

Architecture

1907

1907

Cultural Affiliation

NA

Significant Person

NA

Architect/Builder

Unknown

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

The A.T. Harris house is eligible to the National register under criteria C as a good example of architectural trends in the early 20th century in the Pisgah area of Woodford County, Kentucky. The property is part of the Pisgah Survey Area multiple property submission and represents the theme of architecture following the Civil War. It is the only New-Classical residence in the area, and maintains excellent integrity.

The residence was built circa 1907 for A.T. Harris and wife, Lena. They had previously resided at their farm (WD 177, Redd-Harris Farm) which contained a settlement era, two-story, center passage house with fine interior details. The new residence was built near the northern end of their extensive farm. Most of the trees that line the long access drive and in the domestic yard area were planted by Lena Harris. No information on the architect of the residence has been found. The Harris' operated their dairy and Saddlehorse farm until the early Depression when financial difficulties forced the farm's sale.

See continuation sheet

9. Major Bibliographical References

Clerk and Recorder's Office; Woodford County Courthouse, Versailles, Kentucky

Interview with Nancy Harris, granddaughter of original owner, A.T. Harris. August, 1988

Previous documentation on file (NPS): NA

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

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Primary location of additional data:

- State historic preservation office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Specify repository:

Kentucky Heritage Council

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of property about 3 acres

UTM References

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Zone Easting Northing

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See continuation sheet 10.1

Verbal Boundary Description

see continuation sheet

See continuation sheet

Boundary Justification

see continuation sheet

See continuation sheet

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Verbal Boundary Description:

The boundary of the A.T. Harris house begins at point A on the west edge of the Big Sink Road, about 20' south of the driveway where a board fence separates the tree-lined private drive from the farm acreage. From this point, the fence is paralleled about 150 yards where it flares to the southwest around the domestic yard area, to point B. From point B, on the fenceline and 50' west of the west (rear) wall of the house, a line is drawn north to point C on the opposing fence on the north side of the domestic yard area. From point C, the boundary parallels the fence line, curving around the side of the house and continues east, parallel to the tree-lined entry drive to point D on the west edge of the Big Sink Road.

Boundary Justification:

The boundaries selected for the A.T. Harris house are justified as including the house, immediate domestic yard area and formal, tree-lined drive to the house. No additional lands of the farm are included in the property boundary because the farm has been extensively modified from a diversified farm landscape to a thoroughbred horse establishment within the last 25 years. The yard area and drive are those landscape features associated with the property that maintain integrity to the period of significance.

Photographs:

The following information is the same for all photographs:

- 1 Name of property: A.T. Harris house
- 2 Location: vicinity of Versailles, Kentucky
- 3 Date: June, 1988
- 4 Photographer: Christine Amos
- 5 Negative location: Kentucky Heritage Council, Frankfort

Number Description of view

- 1 Looking west along entry drive to house

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Number	Description of view
2	Looking east along entry drive toward the Big Sink Pike
3	Front of house looking west
4	Front and south side of house looking northwest
5	Detail of front entry
6	Detail of interior, center passage stairway