

Historic Sites Survey

(No. 32)



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State of Mississippi
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ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:

Dogtrot with split logs and half-dovetail corner notches; large tree stumps are used for foundation blocks. Interior walls have hand-hewn boards over the cracks between the logs. Stuccoed stick-and-mud chimney on western facade; eastern facade chimney is gone. Shed roof added to rear (north) facade.

ALTERATIONS:

OUTBUILDINGS:

LANDSCAPE FEATURES:

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

The Ford-Williams house is significant architecturally as one of the few remaining folk structures in the county, one of five log dogtrotts. Although its pictured condition might appear deteriorated, the collapse of a portion of the porch's shed roof is due to a missing porch post. The condition of the rest of the building is good, and the structural system is sound. Significant features of the dogtrot are its pitch pine foundation blocks, logs hewn on four sides with half dove-tail corner notches, the interior ceiling of the pens with hand-hewn boards, and the projection of the roof at the gable ends to protect the stick and mud chimneys. Of the six antebellum folk structures in Clarke County, this is the only one that retains a stick and mud chimney, now stuccoed.

NAME: Ford-Williams House

STREET NO: Hwy. 514

TOWN/VIC: Energy vicinity

COUNTY: Clarke

BLOCK/LOT:

PRESENT OWNER: George C. Williams

ADDRESS: 111 Main St., Quitman 39355

PRESENT USE: vacant

FORMER USE: residence

DATE: Ca. 1850

STYLE: folk-dogtrot

ARCH/BUILDER:

SOURCE OF DATE: style

ENVIRONMENT: rural

LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE

NEIGHBORHOOD

LOCAL X

STATE

NATIONAL

PHOTOS

NEG. #

SITE OR AREA PLAN WITH NORTH ARROW AND SHAPE OF STRUCTURE:

CONTINUATION:

PHYSICAL CONDITION: fair

THREATS:

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: 13-4-17
as described in DB 7 p. 177

ACREAGE: 9 1/2 acres

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