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Historic Sites Survey

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:

1-1/2 story one-room log house with gallery on 3 sides (sections of gallery now enclosed). Some facades sided, log structure with diamond-shaped corner notches visible on north and east facades, foundation of wood blocks and large fieldstones. Shed roof porches supported by chamfered posts, wall plates extend 3 feet beyond gable side walls allowing eaves to shelter chimney of handmade brick from clay and kiln on the premises. Interior ceiled with 12-inch beaded boards set vertically, original division wall of vertical boards set between loft joists located to left of entrance, enclosed staircase to right. Attic floored but not ceiled, peeled rafter poles held together with pegs.

ALTERATIONS:

OUTBUILDINGS:

LANDSCAPE FEATURES:

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

The Buckley House is architecturally significant as an early well constructed log house. Important and unique features are the gallery on 3 sides (north, south, and west), the wall logs joined with diamond-shaped corner notches, (the only example of this type notch in Eastern Miss.) and the original wall of vertical boards that divides the single pen. Historically, the house is significant due to its association with the Buckley family since its construction circa 1835. Benjamin Buckley came to Lawrence County from Georgia and homesteaded a large number of acres in the county's northeastern section. He was one of early Lawrence's prominent citizens, a "lawyer of distinction" who served as chancellor of the state's southern district and presided over the Chancery Court held at Monticello. The Buckley family possesses the original land grants dates 1837, 1841, and 1859.

NAME: Buckley House
STREET NO:
TOWN/VIC: New Hebron
COUNTY: Lawrence
BLOCK/LOT:
PRESENT OWNER: Kermit Buckley, Jr.
ADDRESS: Florence, MS 39073
PRESENT USE: vacant
FORMER USE: residence
DATE: ca. 1835
STYLE: log house
ARCH/BUILDER: Benjamin Buckley
SOURCE OF DATE: original land grant
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: S22-T9N-R20W
A lot 500' square with house at center.

ACREAGE: less than 5 acres

UTM REF:

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	ZONE EASTING		NORTHING
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	ZONE EASTING		NORTHING
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