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# DATA SHEET

Form 10-300  
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

## NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE:	Maryland
COUNTY:	Washington
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY DATE	JUN 18 1975

### 1. NAME

COMMON:  
Magnolia Plantation

AND/OR HISTORIC:  
Magnolia Plantation, (~~Boteler Farm, Holder Farm~~)

### 2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: Garret's Mill.  
Route 2, west of Sandy Hook Road about 1/2 mile south of/

CITY OR TOWN: Knoxville CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT: Sixth

STATE: Maryland CODE: 24 COUNTY: Washington CODE: 043

### 3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ _____ _____

### 4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME: Elmer M. Pusey, Jr.

STREET AND NUMBER: 5518 Pollard Road

CITY OR TOWN: Washington STATE: D.C. CODE: 11

### 5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Washington County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER: West Washington Street

CITY OR TOWN: Hagerstown STATE: Maryland CODE: 24

### 6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

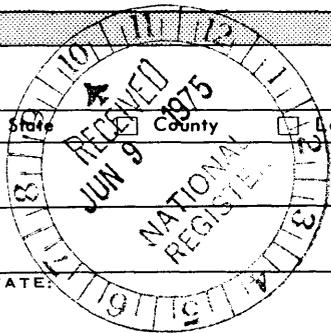
TITLE OF SURVEY:

DATE OF SURVEY:  Federal  State  County  Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: STATE: CODE:



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## 7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

(Check One)

 Excellent     Good     Fair     Deteriorated     Ruins     Unexposed

(Check One)

 Altered     Unaltered

(Check One)

 Moved     Original Site

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

"Magnolia Plantation" is located a short distance west of the Sandy Hook Road, about 1/2 mile south of Garret's Mill in Washington County, Maryland. It is situated on an area of level ground at the foot of Elk Ridge and faces east.

The structure is a two-story, five-bay brick dwelling with white trim. A one-and-one-half story, three-bay brick addition extends to the rear or west of the house.

Set on finely coursed local fieldstone foundations, the walls are concealed by grey artificial brick siding. The type of bonding used in the wall construction could not be observed.

The windows appear to have been spaced evenly in the front elevation of the house. The openings are of uniform size and contain six over six light double hung sashes held within narrow frames. At the rear of the house, windows are present only at the first story level where they have been boarded with plywood. It is possible that evidence of other openings in the west elevation may be concealed under the siding.

The main entrance is located in the center bay of the facade. The door framing and trim are quite elaborate for Washington County and include a broad eight light transom and sidelights. Wide double doors with four panels each have decorative oval medallions. Doric style colonnettes flank the doors. Below the sidelights are panels carrying the oval trim. Matching panels also ornament the jambs. Other entrances, very simple in appearance, are located at the rear of the main section in the first and second story levels and in the north and south walls of the addition.

A three-bay, one-story Victorian period entrance porch is present at the front elevation. It is supported by square posts with carved brackets. The porch is to be removed by the present owners. Apparently, a two-story porch was present at one time at the rear elevation. All that remains of this structure is a section of overhanging roof held by diagonal supports.

The roof is covered with sheet metal. It terminates at the gables with a plain barge board set against the end walls of the house. The cornice work consists of rather elaborate bands of molding over the eaves boxing. Wide brick chimneys are present inside each gable end. A small brick flue rises from inside the end of the el.

Most of the original woodwork appears to have been retained inside the house. The main entrance opens into a wide stair hall. The stair is open and spirals to the attic. A decorated plaster medallion is set into the ceiling of the entrance hall. Fireplace mantels with colonnettes are present in the main rooms.

The house is in fair to good condition and is to be restored by the present owners.

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**8. SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian	<input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century
<input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century	

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal	<input type="checkbox"/> Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Political	<input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning
<input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> Engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)
<input type="checkbox"/> Historic	<input type="checkbox"/> Industry	<input type="checkbox"/> Science	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> Invention	<input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture	_____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Art	<input type="checkbox"/> Literature	<input type="checkbox"/> Theater	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Communications	<input type="checkbox"/> Music		_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Conservation			_____

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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The area of significance of this house is its architecture. It is also important for its association with the Boteler family, prominent early residents of Washington County.

Architecturally, the house is worthy of note as a fine example of Washington County's brick architecture of the first half of the nineteenth century. With somewhat more elaborate decorative detail in wood than is usually found in Washington County, Magnolia Plantation stands out as one of the finer houses of its period in the area. (A companion house to this structure with similar exterior decorative woodwork is located near Brownsville several miles to the north). The house shows mixing of stylistic influences from the late federal and early Greek Revival periods. The usual time periods associated with these styles, however, cannot be applied to houses in Western Maryland where a time lag in building styles can be observed. The appearance of this house would suggest that it may have been built during the second quarter of the nineteenth century, probably circa 1835.

The property was owned by the Boteler Family until 1853 when the farm, containing 189 acres and 73 perches, was sold to Christian Barr, a neighboring property owner for \$6,630. The property was bought from the estate of Thomas Boteler, who died in 1834. Thomas Boteler acquired a large amount of land through various transactions in the late eighteenth and early nineteenth century.

The Boteler family were prominent early residents of southern Washington County. According to Williams' History of Western Maryland, the first white settler in the Brownsville area was Henry Boteler, who came from St. Mary's County. The Botelers were of Norman origin, traveling to England with William the Conqueror in 1066. The family is listed in Burke's Landed Gentry of England. Thomas Boteler who owned this property was a son of Henry Boteler.

When the Magnolia Plantation property was sold in 1836 from Thomas Boteler's estate to Washington and Bartholomew (Barton) Boteler, the deed excepts "one half acre for the graveyard."

**9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Williams, T. J. C., History of Washington County. Hagerstown: Mail Publishing Company, 1906.  
 Washington County Land and Probate Records. Washington County Court House, Hagerstown, Maryland.

**10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
NW	39 ° 21 ' 14 "	77 ° 41 ' 39 "		0	0	
NE	39 ° 21 ' 10 "	77 ° 41 ' 14 "				
SE	39 ° 20 ' 38 "	77 ° 41 ' 35 "				
SW	39 ° 20 ' 52 "	77 ° 42 ' 06 "				

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: **185.70 acres**

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
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**11. FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME AND TITLE:  
Paula Stoner Dickey, Consultant

ORGANIZATION: Washington County Historical Sites Survey      DATE: July 1974

STREET AND NUMBER:  
Court House Annex

CITY OR TOWN: Hagerstown      STATE: Maryland      CODE: 24

**12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION**

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National       State       Local

Name John N. Pearce  
 Acting Title State Historic Preservation Officer

Date June 6, 1975

**NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION**

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

[Signature]  
 Director, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date 6/18/75

ATTEST:  
[Signature]  
 Keeper of The National Register

Date JUN 17 1975

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7. DESCRIPTION, continued

Several modern outbuildings and a barn are located nearby.

A short distance north of the house is a private cemetery enclosed behind a stone wall.

Grave markers in the cemetery date from the very early nineteenth century to early twentieth century. A number of people with the name of Boteler are buried there.

The property contains 185.70 acres and is known as "Magnolia Plantation."

Addendum 13 March 1975

The Victorian period entrance porch on the front of Magnolia Plantation as described in #7 has been removed since this form was written. A new porch of a simpler and more compatible style was constructed by the owner. Three bays wide and one story in height, it has Doric columns which match the Doric style colonettes flanking the entrance. It sits on the masonry footings of the old porch, but has a new wood floor.

Restoration of the house is planned by the owners.

