

KENTUCKY HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

Site No. Bk 125

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| 1. Historic Name(s) <u>Joseph L. Stephens house</u> | | 22. ADD/County <u>Bluegrass, Bourbon</u> | |
| Original Owner <u>Joseph Lawrence Stephens</u> | | 23. U.S.G.S. Quadrant (15'/75') <u>Milensburg</u> | |
| 2. Present Name <u>Joseph Lawrence Stephens house</u> | | 24. UTM Reference | |
| 3. Location <u>W. side 1940, 1/3 mi N of Ruddels Mills</u> <u>S.R. 2 Ruddels Mills</u> | | <u>16</u> | <u>741200</u> <u>4243580</u> |
| 4. Owner's Name <u>Mrs. R. B. Wyatt</u> | | Zone | Easting Northing |
| 5. Owner's Address <u>Route 4, Cynthiana, Ky. 41031</u> | | 25. Coordinate Accuracy <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| 6. Open to Public | 7. Visible from road | 26. Prehistoric Site Object | |
| Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> | Historic Site Structure | |
| 9. Local Contact/Organization | | Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other | |
| 10. Site Plan with North Arrow | | 27. National Register District Name: | |
| <u>see attached boundary form</u> | | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| 11. Architect | | 28. Significance Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| 12. Builder | | 29. Status | |
| 13. Date <u>log 1786</u> <u>stone early 19th</u> <input type="checkbox"/> A. <input type="checkbox"/> B. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | | National Landmark <input type="checkbox"/> Date _____ | |
| 14. Style | | National Register <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| A. <u>Federal</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | | Landmark Certificate <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| B. <u>Federal</u> <input type="checkbox"/> | | Kentucky Survey <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
| 15. Original Use <u>residence</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | | Local Landmark <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| 16. Present use <u>residence</u> | | HABS/HAER <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| 17. Condition <u>excellent</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | | 30. Historic Theme | |
| 18. Description | | Primary <u>architecture</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
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| (Continue on Back) <u>(over)</u> | | Other <u>art</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
| No. Stories <u>2/1</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | | 31. Endangered Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
| Single Pile <u>1/2</u> NA <input type="checkbox"/> | | 32. Preservation Project Status <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Double Pile <u>1/2</u> | | Actual Cost in \$1,000s <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Floor Plan <u>3 rm w wing</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | | 33. ATTACH PHOTO <u>in attached envelope</u> | |
| Structural Fabric <u>log/stone</u> A. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> B. <input type="checkbox"/> | | Roll No. _____ | |
| Decorative Fabric <u>plaster</u> A. <input type="checkbox"/> | | Picture No. _____ | |
| B. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | | Direction _____ | |
| Roof Form <u>gable</u> | | 34. Prepared by: <u>C. M. Wooley</u> | |
| 19. History <u>House built by Joseph Lawrence Stephens, Rev. War veteran, early settler in Ruddels Mills. Stephens was a highly skilled famous silversmith, whose work is greatly prized. Mantel in log house was carved by another Stephens, (over)</u> | | 35. Organization _____ | |
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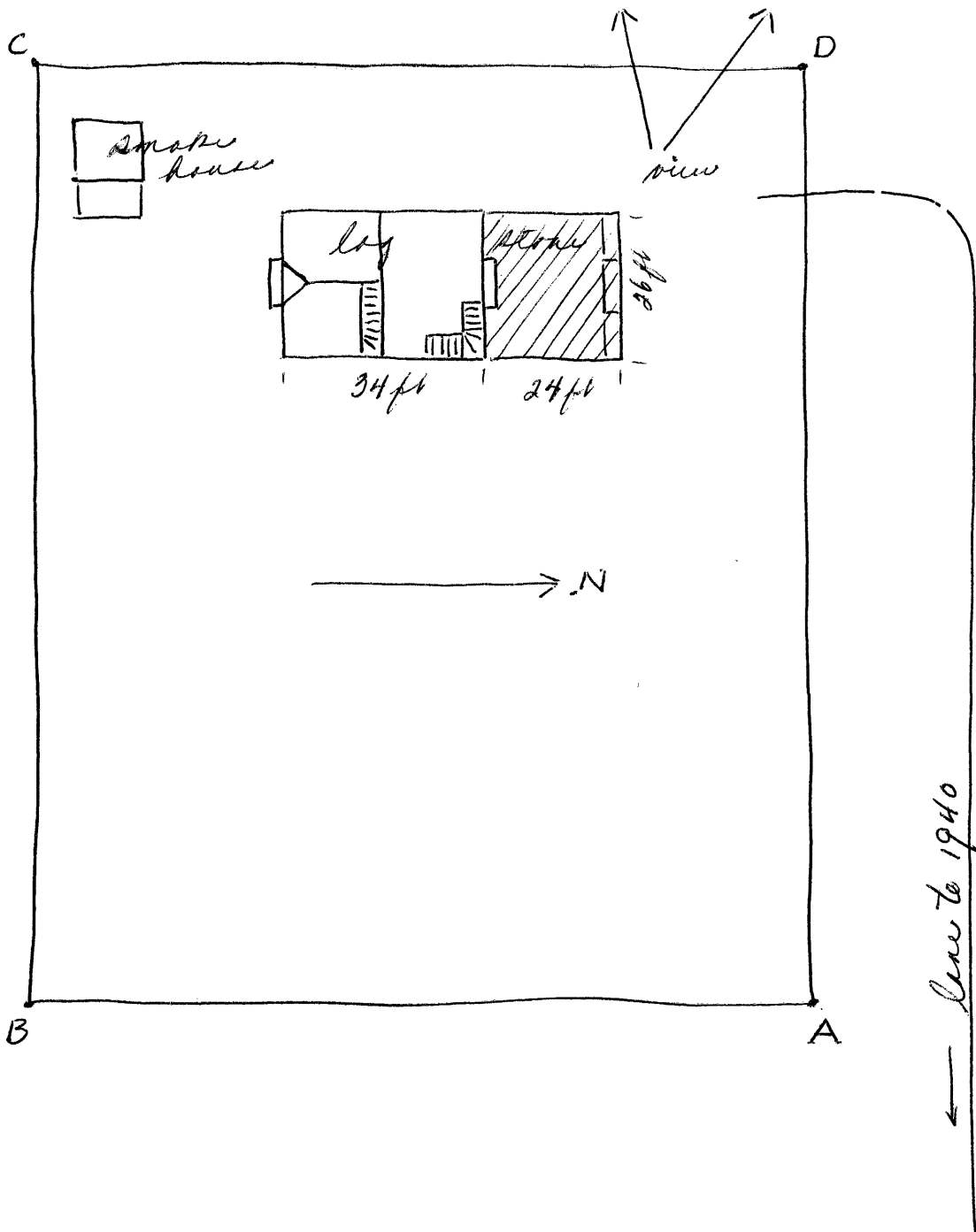
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Beginning at A at the fence corner in the NE corner of the yard. Thence with fences 150 ft S, 330 ft W, 150 ft N, and 330 ft E to the beginning containing the log house, stone wing, and old smoke house - about 1.13 acre. No other significant building nearby.

SKETCH MAP OF SITE SHOWING BOUNDARIES AND KEY BUILDINGS AND FEATURES WITH NORTH ARROW.



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