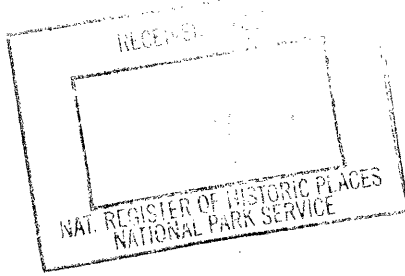


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National Register of Historic Places
Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name McFerran House

other names/site number BO-324

2. Location

street & number West side U.S. Hwy 127, .2 mi. S of S.R. 150 Not for publication

city or town Danville Vicinity

state Kentucky code KY county Boyle code 021 zip code 40422

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, 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. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

David L. Morgan, SHPO and
Executive Director

Signature of certifying official/Title

Date

Kentucky Heritage Council/State Historic Preservation Office

State of Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of commenting official/Title

Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that the property is:

- entered in the National Register. 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

Kathleen Anderson

11/21/97

McFerran House (BO-324)
Name of Property

Boyle County, KY
County and State

5. Classification

Ownership of Property
(Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property
(Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property
(Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
1	0	buildings
		sites
		structures
		objects
1	0	Total

Name of related multiple property listing
(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register

Historic and Architectural Resources of Boyle County, KY 0

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions
(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC: single dwelling

Current Functions
(Enter categories from instructions)

VACANT/NOT IN USE

7. Description

Architectural Classification
(Enter categories from instructions)

MID-19TH CENTURY: Greek Revival

Materials
(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation Stone
walls Brick
roof Standing Seam Metal
other

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

See Continuation Sheets

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria
(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations
(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)

Property is:

- A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B removed from its original location.
- C a birthplace or grave.
- D a cemetery.
- E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F a commemorative property.
- G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance
(Enter categories from instructions)

ARCHITECTURE

Period of Significance

c. 1851

Significant Dates

c. 1851

Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

N/A

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Architect/Builder

Russell, Robert, Jr., Builder

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

(See Continuation Sheets)

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography (See Continuation Sheets)

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- 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 # _____

Primary location of additional data:

- State Historic Preservation Office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Name of repository:

McFerran- House (Bo-324)
Name of Property

Boyle County, KY
County and State

10. Geographical Data

Acree of Property Approx. 1 acre

UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet.)

Junction City Quadrant

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16	69	6	20	0	41	65	2	10
Zone	Easting			Northing				

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Zone	Easting			Northing				

See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

See Continuation Sheet

Boundary Justification

(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

See Continuation Sheet

11. Form Prepared By

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Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A Sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative black and white photographs of the property.

Additional items

(Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of SHPO or FPO.)

name Mitchell Clark

street & number 376 McDowell Drive telephone N/A

city or town Danville state KY zip code 40422

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7. Description:

The McFerran House (BO-324) sits on the west side of State Route 127 in southern Boyle County, approximately 1 mile south of the county seat of Danville. The residence was constructed for James Martin McFerran c. 1851 and its Greek Revival design and brick construction are locally attributed to local builder/architect, Robert Russell, Jr. Recently vacated, the dwelling sits within a fenced domestic yard, approximately two-tenths of a mile from the road. The residence (a contributing building) is the only resource included in the nomination.

1.) Facing east, toward Hwy 127, the **main residence** (contributing building) is a two story, double pile dwelling of brick construction with a central two-story classical portico and two-story rear brick ell. Clad with asphalt shingles, the side gable roof has cornice returns in the gable ends and two exterior end brick chimneys. The massive Greek Revival front facade is a trademark of Robert Russell, Jr.'s Greek Revival dwellings in Boyle County. Divided into three symmetrical bays, the facade has a central entry surrounded by sidelights and transom and fronted by a two-story, classical portico with triangular pediment, engaged pilasters and stuccoed column supports with Ionic caps. The recessed entry is framed by Greek pilasters and entablature and the sidelights and transom are filled with single panes of clear glass. All windows are original and include tripartite 6/6 sash arrangements with early louvered blinds and jack arches on the front facade, and single 6/6 sash arrangements with soldier courses across the rear (west) elevation. The house rests on a continuous cut stone foundation. The rear ell features an interior end brick chimney and a returned cornice in the gable end. A one-story porch with square supports is located across the south wall of the ell. Along the rear (west) elevation of the ell is a one-bay, one-story early-twentieth century enclosed porch leading to the property's original one-story, brick kitchen. A stone-lined basement below the original kitchen is entered via stone stairs in the enclosed porch. The kitchen has an interior end brick chimney on the rear (west) wall and was originally one bay deep. Along the north side wall of the ell is a one-story, early-to mid-twentieth century addition, one room deep, added as living quarters for domestic workers.

The interior plan is unique among center-passage plans in Boyle County as the central hall is elongated with no apparent staircase. Instead, the staircase is enclosed behind the rear wall of the center hall. Rooms on either side of the center hall are ornate have eared door and window surrounds and wainscotting. Original mantels no longer remain, apparently removed when the dwelling was abandoned. Immediately behind the center hall is a central dining room with similar decorative treatment. The second story plan is similar to the first, expectedly having less ornamentation around window and door treatments. The interior was renovated to some extent in the early- to mid-twentieth century when modern facilities such as lavatories and a modern kitchen were implemented.

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8. Statement of Significance:

Located on the west side of Highway 127, the McFerran House (BO-324) is a locally significant example of a brick masonry dwelling constructed in the popular Greek Revival style and meets National Register of Historic Places Criterion C. Constructed c. 1851 by Danville builder/architect, Robert Russell, Jr., the recently vacated center-passage dwelling retains good historic integrity through its original materials, design and workmanship.

Nominated as part of the Multiple Property Listing "Historic and Architectural Resources of Boyle County, Kentucky", the dwelling is significant within the context "Domestic Architecture in Boyle County: 1780-1945". The period of significance for the property is c. 1851, the approximate date of construction.

The McFerran family, native Virginians, entered present-day Boyle County in 1780 to claim a 450 acre land grant two miles south of Danville (southeast of the nominated property). In 1851, James Martin McFerran (son of James McFerran, the original settler in the area) purchased approximately 168 acres and 8 poles of land "on waters of Clark's Run about two miles south of Danville (Boyle County Deed Book 3: 477)". The land adjoined the original McFerran parcel, where the younger McFerran probably resided with his family prior to 1851. James M. is listed in the 1850 Census of Boyle County as a 40 year old farmer with \$15,000 worth of land and a wife and five children (no page). In addition to farming McFerran served as justice for twenty-four years and represented Boyle County for one term in the lower house of the Kentucky Legislature (Biographical Sketches: 193).

Soon after purchasing the 168 acres, McFerran approached Danville builder/architect, Robert Russell, Jr. to construct a two-story, brick residence in the Greek Revival style (Fackler, 1959: 25). The 1860 Agricultural Census of Boyle County indicates McFerran owned over 1000 acres, assessed at a total value of \$33,650.00. A successful stock trader, McFerran's main agricultural ventures in 1860 centered around livestock, particularly swine (200), asses and mules (75) and sheep (30). Combined with other working livestock on the farm, the animals were valued at \$12,550.00 (ibid). McFerran's successful livestock ventures and his social position apparently afforded him the opportunity and reason to build an elaborate dwelling facing a major artery leading to Danville.

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9. Bibliography:

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10. Geographical Data:

Verbal Boundary Description:

The nominated property includes the main residence, located within the domestic yard shown as the dotted portion of Parcel 46 on the accompanying Boyle County Property Identification Map 42, located in the Boyle County Property Valuation Administration office. The map has a scale of 1" = 600'.

Boundary Justification:

The boundary includes the main residence, the only resource historically associated James McFerran that maintains historic integrity through its fine Greek Revival architecture. That portion of Parcel 46 not included in the boundary was excluded because it has lost integrity through alterations in patterns and use. The main residence is enclosed by a plank fence, encompassing approximately one acre of land with a front and rear yard area.

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PHOTOGRAPHS

McFerran-Rue House, Boyle County, KY

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DATE: August, 1996 and July, 1997

Front (east) facade of main residence, facing west
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Southwest elevation, facing northeast
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Rear (west) elevation, facing northeast
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Northwest elevation, facing southeast
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Detail of Ionic capitals on round porch supports
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Detail of returned cornice in gable end of main block
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Front entry door with surrounding single pane transom and sidelights and eared surround
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Central passage hall on first story, with north end room and enclosed staircase leading to second story
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Example of interior paneled doors with eared surround and high baseboards
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PHOTOGRAPHS (cont'd)

Mantel and built-in press in dining room, along original rear wall of dwelling, prior to adjoining of kitchen. Original brick wall construction can be seen in the press.

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Overview of dining room with doors leading to a back staircase, added bathroom, and joined kitchen.

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Bo-324
McFerran House
Boyle Co. Tax Map 42

Parcel 146
1" = 600'

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