NO. 14

I. IDENTIFICATION

PROPERTY NAME: Godfrey Home

HISTORIC NAME: Simmons House

STREET ADDRESS: Cedartown Street

CITY: Cave Spring

PRESENT OWNER: Gayle Godfrey

MAILING ADDRESS: P.O. Box 391

CITY: Cave Spring

STATE: Georgia

ZIP CODE: 30124

CURRENT USE: Residence.

ACREAGE: 20

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U.T.M. REFERENCE: 14A Z.16 E654120 N3774280 14B Z.16 E654120 N3774160

14C Z.16 E653450 N3774100

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I. DESCRIPTION

HISTORY

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION AND PRESENT CONDITION: Greek Revival-style farmhouse; rectangular in plan, one story high, gable roof, front pedimented portico, rear shed-like ell; exterior end chimneys; wood-frame construction, sheathed in weatherboards, wood detailing; front facade features central pedimented portico with four square columns, trabeated entry with side and transom lights, flush siding; front windows paired; interior consists of a single room on either side of a central hall plus rear rooms; situated on a gentle slope between hills to the east and floodplains to the west; grounds feature very large trees, broad lawn, and curving dirt driveway with retaining walls; surrounded by fields [cont.]

ORIGINAL OWNER: Simmons Family

ORIGINAL USE: Residence

ARCHITECT/BUILDER:

HISTORIC ACREAGE:

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: 1840s

DATE(S) OF ALTERATIONS:

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE (FROM ORIGINS TO PRESENT) (OPTIONAL):

SIGNIFICANCE

N.R. AREA(S) OF SIGNIFICANCE: Architecture, landscape architec- LEVEL: Local ture, agriculture, exploration and settlement

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL): Architecturally, this house is the finest Greek Revival-style farmhouse in the Cave Spring multiple-resource area. In terms of its form, arrangement, materials, construction, workmanship, and details, it is a very good example of its style and type. It represents the carpenter/builder tradition of architecture common to rural parts of the country.

In terms of <u>landscape</u> <u>architecture</u>, this property is significant for its hillside setting with large trees, broad lawns, and fields. Such a setting for a farm is representative of the historic rural landscape in the outlying reaches of the multiple-resource area. [cont.]

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REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS: Historic Structures Field Survey: Floyd Co. Ga.

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SOURCES OF INFORMATION: Preliminary survey forms by Diane Dawson, Cave Spring; see bibliography (section 9) for general sources.

SOURCES.



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IV. cont.: In terms of <u>agriculture</u>, this property is significant as an example of the smaller farm (as opposed to the larger plantation) common to the multiple-resource area and this part of the state.

In terms of <u>exploration</u> and <u>settlement</u>, the property is significant for representing the kind of agricultural development characteristic of the early white settlement in the multiple-resource area.

II. cont.: with a new residential subdivision to the south and farms and residences along Cedartown Road to the north.

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