

KENTUCKY HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

Site No. 2062

1. Historic Name(s) <u>(Erasmus) Riggs house</u>		22. ADD/County <u>Deergrass Nicholas</u>	
Original Owner <u>Erasmus Riggs</u>		23. U.S.G.S. Quadrant (15'/75') <u>Carlisle vic.</u>	
2. Present Name <u>Erasmus Riggs house</u>		24. UTM Reference <u>16 757760 4239160</u>	
3. Location <u>1/4 mi E of 13, .4 mi S of 386</u>		Zone Easting Northing	
4. Owner's Name <u>Wagne Skumate</u>		25. Coordinate Accuracy <input type="checkbox"/>	
5. Owner's Address <u>Route 1, Carlisle, Ky. 40311</u>		26. Prehistoric Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object Historic Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/>	
6. Open to Public Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	7. Visible from road Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	8. Ownership Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/>	
9. Local Contact/Organization		27. National Register District Name: <input type="checkbox"/>	
10. Site Plan with North Arrow <u>see attached boundary form</u>		28. Significance Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/>	
11. Architect		29. Status <input type="checkbox"/> Date	
12. Builder <u>attrib. to Thos. Mitchell</u>		National Landmark <input type="checkbox"/>	
13. Date <u>c 1820</u> A. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> B. <input type="checkbox"/>		National Register <input type="checkbox"/>	
14. Style A. <u>Federal</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> B. <input type="checkbox"/>		Landmark Certificate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>7.22.82</u> Kentucky Survey <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>3.28.74</u> Local Landmark <input type="checkbox"/> HABS/HAER <input type="checkbox"/>	
15. Original Use <u>residence</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		30. Historic Theme Primary <u>architecture</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Secondary <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/>	
16. Present use <u>vacant</u>		31. Endangered Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
17. Condition <u>good but altered</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		32. Preservation Project Status <input type="checkbox"/>	
18. Description <u>3 bay 1 1/2 story hall parlor dry stone house. Excellent masonry (repointed with concrete) 9 stone voussairs w key; superior chimneys each end; off center toward S on E end; fenestration slightly asymmetrical because of plan; (over)</u>		Actual Cost in \$1,000s <input type="checkbox"/>	
19. History <u>Built by Erasmus Riggs from Maryland who bought land in 1817; was part of 1786 500 acre patent of H. Swearingen. Daughter of Alexander, late 19th C owner, remembers "slave chains" in cellar.</u>		33. ATTACH PHOTO <u>in attached envelope</u>	
20. Significance <u>If built by Thos. Mitchell, noteworthy for that reason. Customary style for stone houses of the period. well done.</u>		Roll No. _____ Picture No. _____ Direction _____	
21. Source of Information <u>18: inspection 1982 and 1973 19: 1980 inventory form 12: 1973 survey form</u>		34. Prepared by: <u>C.M. Wooley</u>	
		35. Organization _____	
		36. Date <u>1982</u>	
		37. Revision Dates _____ 38. Staff Review _____	

18. cont.

N + S facades identical;  
2 attic windows in W gable,  
1 in E, slightly longer; cellar  
windows have horizontal diamond  
bars w center mullion; doorway on  
N + S facade have only 7 stone courses  
above wood lintel suggesting doorway  
may have had an applied surround,  
lowering this lintel; 4 pane transom,  
square wooden sills.

House has been reworked; window  
frames replaced, door reveal replaced,  
attic bath changed, eaves and gables (compare photos 2 and 3)  
widened, and concrete repointing now  
raising masonry to track.

Interior not checked (1980 inventory  
form says heavily altered.) In 1973  
the interior had beaded walnut window  
frames with ovolo trim, E end double  
faced shelf mantel w ovolo trim; W end  
had extremely fine breakfast mantel  
with reeded pilasters and diagonally  
reeded band around opening with beaded (photos 4, 5)  
edges; chair rail and batten doors.  
20th C front stoop. Originally had corner  
stair in each room.

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION & JUSTIFICATION

Beginning at A at the gate at the lane, thence S with fence 195 ft to fence corner B, thence W 95 ft to fence corner C, thence N with fence and past fence corner to lane at D, thence with lane to the beginning, containing the stone house and about .4 acre.

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

