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National Park ServiceNational Register of Historic Places
Registration FormNATIONAL
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This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations of eligibility for individual properties or districts. See instructions in *Guidelines for Completing National Register Forms* (National Register Bulletin 16). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the requested information. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, styles, materials, and areas of significance, enter only the categories and subcategories listed in the instructions. For additional space use continuation sheets (Form 10-900a). Type all entries.

1. Name of Property

historic name Freeman, Wood, House #2
other names/site number Resource # WH2261

2. Location

street & number 703 West Race not for publication N/A
city, town Searcy vicinity N/A
state Arkansas code AR county White code 145 zip code 72143

3. Classification

Ownership of Property

☒ private
☐ public-local
☐ public-State
☐ public-Federal

Category of Property

☒ building(s)
☐ district
☐ site
☐ structure
☐ object

Number of Resources within Property

Contributing	Noncontributing
2	buildings
	sites
	structures
	objects
2	0 Total

Name of related multiple property listing:

Historic and Architectural Resources
of White County, Arkansas

Number of contributing resources previously
listed in the National Register N/A

4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, 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. ☐ See continuation sheet.

Signature of certifying official

Arkansas Historic Preservation Program

Date

5-13-90

State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property ☐ meets ☐ does not meet the National Register criteria. ☐ See continuation sheet.

Signature of commenting or other official

Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

5. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby, certify that this 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:)

entered in the
National Register

Signature of the Keeper

9-5-91

Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (enter categories from instructions)

Domestic/ Single Dwelling

Current Functions (enter categories from instructions)

Domestic/ Single Dwelling

7. Description

Architectural Classification

(enter categories from instructions)

Late 19th and 20th Century Revivals/
English Revival

Materials (enter categories from instructions)

foundation stone
walls coral
limestone
roof asphalt shingle
other

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

☒ See continuation sheet

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Description

The Second Wood Freeman House is a one-and-one-half story, wood frame English Revival residence. Its picturesque front elevation conceals the essentially rectangular plan resulting from the simple side gable plan with the shed roof rear addition. The exterior, off-center front chimney is the only chimney in the design. The roof material is composition shingles, the walls are faced with stucco, brick and coral, and the continuous foundation is cast concrete faced with coral.

The northern or front elevation is composed of a projecting gable roof bay of varying roof pitch to the east, a central wood entrance porch and chimney, and the wall of the gable roof wing. The gable end is fenestrated with a single six-over-six wood sash window in the gable peak and a pair of identical windows below. The simple wood porch is supported on octagonal columns and shelters an arched entrance which rests upon concrete springers and is decorated with a keystone. The coral-faced chimney is stepped to the west and features an offset near the top below a brick top section. The wall to the west is lighted with a pair of narrow six-over-six wood sash windows which are placed in notch in the concrete water table. The water table runs the length of the elevation and divides the wall surface into brick above and coral below.

The western elevation consists of the gable roof wing to the north, the gable end of the house in the center and the wood, shed roof addition to the south. The wing is punctuated by an arched, louvered vent in the gable peak and three six-over-six wood sash windows below. The gable end of the house is fenestrated with a central six-over-six wood sash window in the peak and a pair of identical sash directly below. Another shorter six-over-six wood sash window is placed just to the south. The wall of the shed is blank except for the aluminum door next to the rear wall of the house. The eastern elevation is similar with the exception of the fact that the northern end of the gable end is lighted with a wood sash window which is smaller than the original and a single wood sash window in the center is flanked on the south by a pair of wood sash windows. The shed roof addition on the rear is lighted by a single wood sash window next to the rear wall of the house and a pair of wood sash windows at its southern end with a sliding door between them.

The Second Wood Freeman House is intact with the exception of the cut-down windows; it is in good condition.

8. Statement of Significance

Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties:

☐ nationally ☐ statewide ☒ locally

Applicable National Register Criteria ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions) ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Areas of Significance (enter categories from instructions)

ARCHITECTURE

Period of Significance

c. 1935 N/A

Significant Dates

c. 1935

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Significant Person

N/A

Architect/Builder

Freeman, Wood

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

☒ See continuation sheet

9. Major Bibliographical References

See "Historic and Architectural Resources of White County, Arkansas," Section H.

☐ See continuation sheet

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

Specify repository: _____

10. Geographical Data map 19

Acreage of property _____

UTM References

A

Zone	Easting	Northing
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C

Zone	Easting	Northing
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B

Zone	Easting	Northing
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D

Zone	Easting	Northing
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☒ See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

☒ See continuation sheet

Boundary Justification

☒ See continuation sheet

11. Form Prepared By

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Significance

Criterion C, local significance

The Second Wood Freeman House (Part E, Historic Context #4)--named after the builder who constructed it--is not only a particularly fine example of this particular architectural style, but is also unique by virtue of the selection of materials. Wood Freeman was the only builder in Searcy--and possibly the only builder in Arkansas--to use coral as a wall material. Though the reasons for his selection of coral is not known, it may well have been that the economic conditions during the Depression encouraged builders to employ inexpensive substitutes which duplicated the look of more traditional building materials.

The sophisticated use in the First Wood Freeman House of such characteristically English Revival elements as the fracturing of the wall plane, the assortment of different cornice lines and the overall picturesque composition elevate this building to the best example of its architectural style in its neighborhood; however, its unique craftsmanship and materials make it unique to the entire county.

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Acreage of property: Less than one

UTM References:

A 15/614230/3901360

Verbal Boundary Description:

The northern 84 feet of Lot 1, Block 28, Jones Addition to the Town of Searcy.

Boundary Justification:

This boundary includes all the property historically associated with this resource.

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White County MPS
ARKANSAS

Date Listed

91001189	Edie, James W., House	9-5-91
91001303	El Paso Bank	9-5-91
91001269	Elm Street House Substantive Review	9-13-91
91001327	✓ Emmer, Joe, House	7/12/92
91001198	✓ First Christian Church	7/12/92
91001206	✓ First United Methodist Church	7/12/92
91001324	✓ Floyd Cotton Gin Substantive Review	7/12/92
91001267	✓ Fox Motel House	7/12/92
91001185	Freeman, Wood, House No. 1	9-5-91
91001181	Freeman, Wood, House No. 2	9-5-91
91001318	✓ Frizell, Dr., House	7/12/92
91001263	Garrard, Lizzie, House	9-5-91
91001281	✓ Gooden, Milt, House	7/12/92
91001311	✓ Gordon, Leonard, Homestead, Hexagonal Grain Crib	7/12/92
91001323	✓ Gravel Hill Baptist Church	7/12/92
91001334	✓ Gray House	7/12/92
91001194	✓ Gray, Louis, Homestead, Barn	7/12/92
91001294	Gray, Rufus, House	9-5-91
91001335	✓ Gray--Kincaid House	7/12/92
91001357	✓ Griffithville School Substantive Review	7/13/92
91001358	✓ Hale, Thomas Jefferson, General Merchandise Store	7/12/92
91001222	Hall, Fred, House	9-5-91
91001204	✓ Hammond, Mary Alice, House	7/12/92
91001304	✓ Harper, Roy, House	7/12/92
91001340	Hartsell, Morris, Farmstead Substantive Review	9-13-91
91001205	Hassell House	9-5-91
91001312	Hays, Brady, Homestead Substantive Review	9-13-91
91001348	Herring Building	9-5-91
91001317	✓ Hickmon, Marshall, Homestead	7/12/92
91001316	Hickmon, U. L., Hardware Store	9-5-91
91001180	Hicks, Ida, House	9-5-91
91001191	✓ Hilger, Louis N., Homestead, Livestock Barn	7/12/92
91001258	✓ Hill Farm	7/12/92
91001236	✓ Hoag House	7/12/92
91001309	✓ Holly Grove School Substantive Review	7/13/92
91001352	✓ Honey Hill Christian Union Church	7/12/92
91001188	Hoofman Farmstead Barn	7/22/92
91001184	✓ Hoofman, Arthur W., House	7/22/92
91001238	✓ Hoofman, Tobe, Farmstead	7/22/92
91001283	✓ Hopewell District No. 45 School Substantive Review	7/13/92
91001207	Hunt House Substantive Review	9-13-91

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
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CLASSIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: Freeman, Wood, House No. 2

MULTIPLE NAME: White County MPS

STATE & COUNTY: ARKANSAS, White

DATE RECEIVED: 8/01/91 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 8/15/91
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 8/31/91 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 9/15/91
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 91001181

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

☒ ACCEPT ☐ RETURN ☐ REJECT 9-5-91 DATE **Entered in the National Register**

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

RECOM./CRITERIA
REVIEWER
DISCIPLINE
DATE

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

CLASSIFICATION

___count ___resource type

STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

FUNCTION

___historic ___current

DESCRIPTION

___architectural classification
___materials
___descriptive text

SIGNIFICANCE

Period Areas of Significance--Check and justify below

Specific dates Builder/Architect
Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

___summary paragraph
___completeness
___clarity
___applicable criteria
___justification of areas checked
___relating significance to the resource
___context
___relationship of integrity to significance
___justification of exception
___other

BIBLIOGRAPHY

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

___acreage ___verbal boundary description
___UTMs ___boundary justification

ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

___sketch maps ___USGS maps ___photographs ___presentation

OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

_____ Phone _____

Signed _____ Date _____



Wood Freeman House, 703 W. Race
Searcy, Arkansas *white Co*
Photograph by Jill Bayles
December, 1988
Negative on file at AHPP
Southwest elevation



Wood Freeman House, 703 W. Race

Searcy, Arkansas

white w

Photograph by Jill Bayles

December, 1988

Negative on file at AHPP

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North elevation



Wood Freeman House, 703 W. Race

Searcy, Arkansas

White Co

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Negative on file at AHPP

North elevation

Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64500033