United States Department of the Interior Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service

National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form



See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*Type all entries—complete applicable sections

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Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

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Description

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The dwelling at McNair Plantation is a one-story frame structure covered with clapboard and set upon a native stone foundation. The original ca. 1835 section is a double-pile "dog trot" with a three-bay gallery set between unheated <u>cabinets</u> on the front, or north, elevation. Undressed gum was used for the double-pitched gabled roof which was covered with cypress shingles. In ca. 1850 a two room ell and gallery were added to the southeast corner of the building and the existing interior was upgraded with battered-and-eared-architraves and pilastered chimney pieces in a vernacular Greek Revival style. This remained as the last improvement to the house until 1980 when a sensitive rehabilitation project provided the baths, kitchen, and climate control necessary for the house to be used today.

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8. Significance

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Specific dates	ca. 1835	Builder/Architect	unknown	

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

Built ca. 1835 and enlarged ca. 1850, the dwelling at McNair Plantation is a classic example of the now rare "dog trot" form, perhaps the most popular housing type in Mississippi throughout the nineteenth century. It is a variation of the standard double-pile plan which substitutes an open breezeway for the central passage as a device to help cope with the region's hot climate. Although recently enclosed by glass to allow for its use as a convenient and comfortable residence, the breezeway continues to appear open. Other features significant to the local architectural history include the location of cabinets on the front elevation instead of a normal undercut facade gallery. The interior, with its battered-and-eared architraves, pilastered chimney pieces, wainscoting, and a single built in press with Gothic Revival double-leaf doors, is considered unusually sophisticated for an otherwise vernacular structure. The wall surfaces were painted plaster or matched boards covered with cloth and papered. A handsome mid-nineteenth-century wallpaper pattern was retrieved from the house and has since been reproduced by Brunschwig and Fils, New York, for use in the state-sponsored Manship House restoration in Jackson. Until it was rehabilitated in 1980, no alterations had occurred to the building. The sensitive rehabilitation has assured the continued architectural integrity of McNair Plantation.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Allen, William C., architectural historian with the Mississippi Department of Archives and History. Inspection of McNair Plantation, March 23, 1981.

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES **INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

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McNair Plantation, Hinds County, Mississippi

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10 - Geographical Data (Verbal Boundary Description and Justification)

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