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Title: Historic Resources of Williamson County

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Historic Name: Holt, Thomas, House (WM-84)

Common Name: Holtland

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Classification: Building

Owner: Holt Heirs, c/o Charles Witherspoon, Route # 1, Crockett Road, Brentwood, TN 37027

Location: On Crockett Road, one-half mile east of Wilson Pike.

<u>Contributing:</u>		<u>Non-Contributing:</u>	
Buildings	1	Buildings	0
Structures	1	Structures	0
Sites	0	Sites	0
<u>Total:</u>	2	<u>Total:</u>	0

Description:

The Thomas Holt House, Holtland, is a remarkably unaltered two-story brick, central hall plan residence with Greek Revival detailing. On the main (north) facade is an original two-story pedimented portico with square Doric motif columns. On the second story of the portico is a balcony with square balusters and porch ceilings have square coffering. The main entrance has the original frame double doors with two-light sidelights with frame lower panels and a two-light transom. Over the sidelights are single lights. Rectangular frame panels are in the surround. Dividing the door and sidelights are Doric motif pilasters and the surround has architrave molding. The windows are original six-over-six sash and have frame sills and wood lintels with square corner blocks.

The main facade of the house is composed of stretcher bond while the side and rear facades are six-course common bond. The house has exterior end brick chimneys, a stone foundation and gable, metal standing seam roof. At the rear of the house is an original two-story brick ell and a series of connected outbuildings which are all joined to the main residence. These outbuildings include a two-story brick kitchen with two-over-two and six-over-six sash windows and wood lintels with corner blocks. The house and the kitchen are connected by a ca.1880-90 one-story frame enclosure with a four panel door and four-over-four sash windows. South of the kitchen is a ca.1900 frame, one-story addition which connects the kitchen with an original log smokehouse. The log smokehouse has half-dovetail notching, rock slat and mud chinking and an original door. This facade of the ell has a one-story ca.1910 porch with simple square posts and a similar porch is located on the west facade of the ell.

The interior has original architrave molding around doors and windows. The original folding double doors exist on the first story along with original staircase and mantles. The staircase has round newel posts and balusters and the mantles are of Greek Revival design with architrave molding. At the rear of the residence is a ca. 1900 one-story frame shed which is not connected to the

main house. Also on the west facade of the ell is an original stone kneading platform. The house sits on a farm off Crockett Road and retains its original site and setting.

Period of Significance: ca. 1840; ca. 1880; ca. 1900

Area of Significance: Architecture

Criterion: C

Architect/Builder: Unknown

Statement of Significance:

The Thomas Holt House is a notable example of a brick central passage plan residence with Greek Revival detailing. The house is unusually intact and displays its original interior and exterior detailing. At the rear of the house are several notable brick and log outbuildings which also are in excellent condition. The house sits on a rural lot and retains its original site and setting.

Thomas Holt was born in 1802 and was the son of early landowner, John Holt. John Holt constructed a log residence on this site in the early 1800s but this home was removed when his son, Thomas Holt began construction of this two-story brick residence ca. 1840. Upon completion the house was a good example of a two-story central plan residence with Greek Revival detailing. By 1850, Holt had amassed property worth \$20,000. In 1859, he is listed as owning 682 acres and 14 slaves which was a sizeable plantation for this period in the county. Holt continued to occupy the house until his death in 1876, and the house has remained in the possession of the Holt family to the present.

The Thomas Holt House is notable as a fine example of a central hall plan ante-bellum brick residence. It is especially noteworthy for its intact condition and retention of original outbuildings. No other home in the county retains this series of connected outbuildings at the rear of the structure. The interior and exterior of the residence have not been altered since ca. 1900 and its original plan and design remain evident.

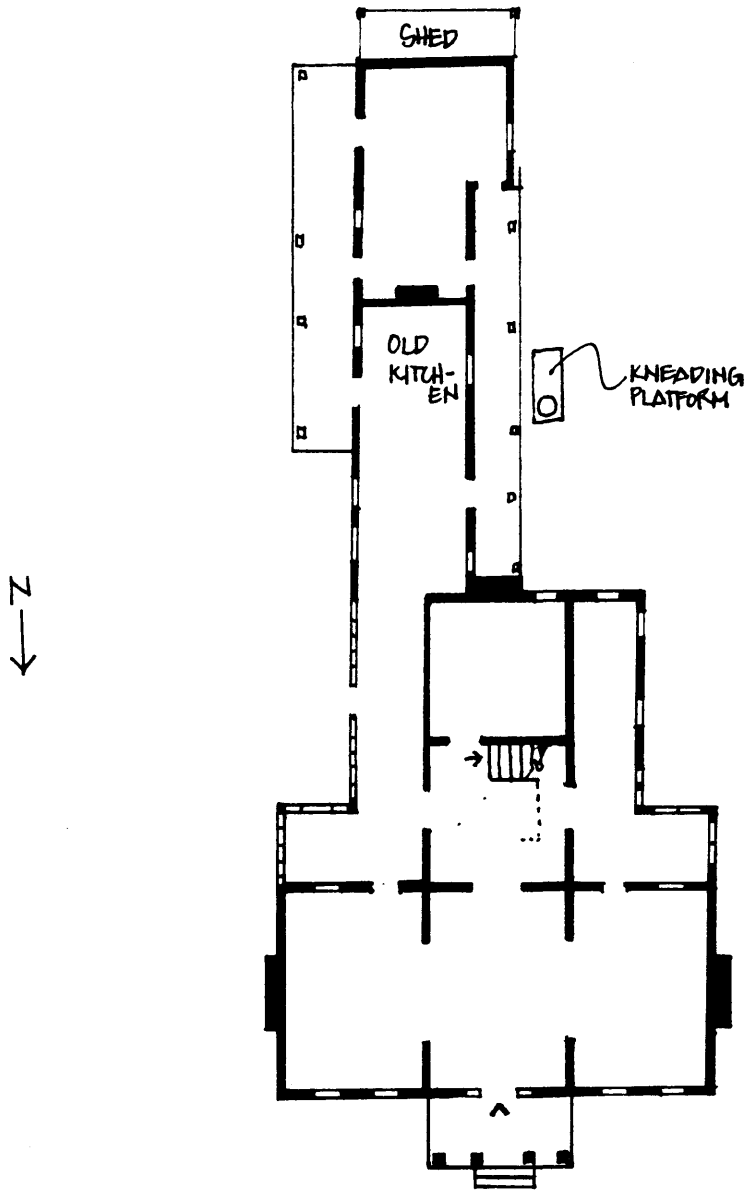
Acreage: 6.4 acres

UTM References: Franklin Quad/16/521280/3981000

Verbal Boundary Description and Justification: The boundary of the Thomas Holt House is illustrated on accompanying Williamson County tax map # 35, lot 22. The boundary is drawn to include the house and adjacent outbuilding and exclude modern outbuildings to the east and south. The boundary is defined by fences on the west and south, by a driveway on the east and on the north by Crockett Road. The boundary includes sufficient property to protect the historical setting of the site.

Supplemental Bibliographical References: Historic Williamson County, Bowman.

#04 THOMAS HOLT HOUSE



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TO  
CROCKETT ROAD  
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\* NOT TO SCALE