. IDENTIFICATION

PROPERTY NAME: 1531 3rd Avenue

HISTORIC NAME: 1531 3rd Avenue

STREET ADDRESS: 1531 3rd Avenue

CITY: Columbus

COUNTY: Muscogee

PRESENT OWNER: Waver Colbert

MAILING ADDRESS: 1523 3rd Avenue

CITY: Columbus

STATE: Georgia

ZIP CODE: 31901

CURRENT USE: Private dwelling

ACREAGE: Less than one acre

U.S.G.S. QUADRANGLE: Columbus, GA-AL

U.T.M. REFERENCE: 16-688960-3594720

V.B.D. OR TAX MAP NUMBER: 4/12/6

. DESCRIPTION

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION AND PRESENT CONDITION: Classic Revival; two stories tall, rectangular plan, gable roof, one interior chimney, one story porch; weatherboard frame construction, brick foundation, asphalt shingle roof; front facade details include bay window.on first floor classical revival porch with upper balustrade forming balcony for the second floor, boxed gable return that runs length of gable to form a pediment, pediment contains semi-circular area which was originally vent, gothic verge board in gable; interior has side hall three rooms up, three down plan; situated in c. 1895 residential area; landscaping consists of grass and nandina hedge, large trees in back yard; good condition.

ORIGINAL OWNER:

ORIGINAL USE: Private dwelling

ARCHITECT/BUILDER:

HISTORIC ACREAGE:

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: ca. 1900

DATE(S) OF ALTERATIONS:

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE (FROM ORIGINS TO PRESENT): There is a one-story frame dwelling at this address on the Sanborn (Insurance) Maps of 1889 and 1895. By 1902, Andrew Williams (and his wife, Mattie) were living at this address. Williams is designated an "editor." The Williamses are here again in 1904, but in this directory he's listed as an agent in insurance and real estate. Williams is here in 1906, along with Rev. Benjamin Bussey. In 1908, Williams is listed here with Thomas Hudson, who was sec-treas. of Swift Manufacturing Co. Williams is listed at this address through 1912.

IV. SIGNIFICANCE

N.R. AREA(S) OF SIGNIFICANCE: Local History, Architecture LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE: Local

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL): Local History: This house, located in what was once Columbus' elite "High Uptown" neighborhood, is significant as it was the home of Andrew Williams (who is first listed as an editor and later as an agent in insurance and real estate). This house is also significant as a private dwelling which later became a modified boarding house, as is illustrated in the 1906 and 1908 listings (when Williams is sharing the address with boarders). Architecture: Significant as a classical revival house where the builder has added victorian touches for the security of having traditional detail, for example the vergeboard and bay window.

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REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS: Historic Structures Field Survey: Columbus-Muscogee County, Georgia. 1976 state survey, Historic Preservation Section, DNR, Atlanta, Georgia.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION: Columbus City Directories (1896-1914).

"Sanborn (Insurance) Map of Columbus, Ga.," March 1889, Sanborn Map and Publishing Co., N.Y., N.Y., (a copy of which is located in

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700 Broadway

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SOURCES OF INFORMATION: the Columbus College Archives, Columbus, Ga.)

"Sanborn (Insurance) Map of Columbus, Ga.," Sept. 1895, Sanborn-Perris Map Co., N.Y., N.Y., (a copy of which is located in the Columbus College Archives, Columbus, Ga.).

Addendum to #389 1531 3rd Avenue

IV. Significance

Local History: As the home of Andrew Williams, an editor, probably with the "Columbus Ledger-Enquirer," a real estate agent, an insurance agent, and secretary-treasurer of Swift Manufacturing Co., one of the largest cotton spinning and weaving mills in the United States), this house is significant as the type of home a prominent citizen of the turn-of-the-century would have owned. Perhaps not outstanding in its architectural features, and overall size, it certainly expresses a feeling of power through its classical porch detailing and its simple yet strong gable, while pulling upon the securities of earlier days with a jigsaw cut vergeboard. It is significant to Columbus for its association with Williams, a very talented gentleman.