

I. IDENTIFICATION	PROPERTY NAME: Harper House STREET ADDRESS: Cedartown Street PRESENT OWNER: Gayle Godfrey CITY: Cave Spring CURRENT USE: Rental/residence U.S.G.S. QUADRANGLE Cedartown West, Ga. V.B.D. OR TAX MAP NUMBER: 821-1-15	HISTORIC NAME: The Carroll-Harper House CITY: Cave Spring MAILING ADDRESS: P.O. Box 391 STATE: Georgia ZIP CODE: 30124 ACREAGE: .33 U.T.M. REFERENCE: Z.16 E653470 N3774710
II. DESCRIPTION	ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION AND PRESENT CONDITION: Greek Revival-style house; nearly square plan, one story high, low hip roof, two interior chimneys, front porch, rear ell; frame construction, weatherboard sheathing, wood details; five-bay front facade, central trabeated doorway with engaged columns, side and transom lights, porch with chamfered square posts and lattice balustrade and cornice; interior of the four-over-four with central hall type, rear ell connecting to possible originally detached kitchen; situated close to Cedartown Road on level ground; grounds feature scattered trees and broad lawn; surrounded by non-historic residences along Cedartown Road and Rolator Park to the east; good condition.	
III. HISTORY	ORIGINAL OWNER: Elizabeth H. Wright ARCHITECT/BUILDER: DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: 1840s	ORIGINAL USE: Residence HISTORIC ACREAGE: DATE(S) OF ALTERATIONS:
	HISTORICAL NARRATIVE (FROM ORIGINS TO PRESENT) (OPTIONAL): The Carroll-Harper House was built during the exploration and settlement period of Cave Spring. Once owned by John M. Carroll, early settler and an original co-owner of the grist mill, the house then became the property of Alexander Harper. The Carroll-Harper House remained in the Harper family until 1894.	
IV. SIGNIFICANCE	N.R. AREA(S) OF SIGNIFICANCE: Architecture, exploration and settlement LEVEL: Local STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL): Architecturally, this house is significant as one of a few small antebellum Greek Revival houses in the Cave Spring multiple-resource area. Its overall arrangement, interior plan, and detailing are representative of this kind of house, with the exception of the front porch, which reflects the latter, more exuberant Victorian attitude toward woodworking. Overall, it represents a vernacularized treatment of the Greek Revival style at the hands of a local carpenter-builder who fashioned designs from experience, pattern books, and the latest fashions. This kind of house is common in northwest Georgia but not well represented in this multiple-resource area. [cont.]	
V. SOURCES	FORM PREPARED BY: Richard Cloues Kacy Ginn ADDRESS: 270 Washington St., S.W., Atlanta Ga. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS: Historic Structures Field Survey: Floyd Co. Ga.	ORGANIZATION: Historic Preservation Section Ga. Dept. of Natural Resources TELEPHONE NUMBER: 404-656-2840 SOURCES OF INFORMATION: Preliminary survey forms by Diane Dawson, Cave Spring; see bibliography (section 9) for general sources.



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IV. cont.: In terms of exploration and settlement, this house is significant as representing the kind of dwelling first built by white settlers after this land was opened to settlement in 1832. Its location near the spring in nearby Rolator Park is typical of the siting of such early houses.