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Historic Name: Wilson, Joseph, House (WM-153)

Common Name: Wilson, Joseph, House

Classification: Building

Owner: John and Pegine Hedge, 367 Clovercroft Road, Franklin, TN 37064.

Location: On Clovercroft Road two-tenths of a mile west of Wilson Pike.

Contributing:		Non-Contributing:	
Buildings	1	Buildings	0
Structures	0	Structures	0
Sites	0	Sites	0
Total:	1	Total:	0

Description:

The Joseph Wilson House is a two-story frame, central passage plan ante-bellum residence with Greek Revival detailing. On the main (south) facade is a two-story portico with square Doric motif columns. On the second story is a balcony with an original milled baluster railing. The porch eave has paired brackets which also extend around the house. The main entrance has double doors of three-panel design, a single-light transom, and flanking the door are single-light sidelights with frame lower panels. Over the door is a cornice with paired brackets. The door surround has raised rectangular panels. On the second story is a similar doorway in the central bay. The windows are six-over-six sash with frame cornices and shutters.

The house has a stone foundation, weatherboard siding, and exterior brick chimneys. At the corner of the house are Doric pilasters. On the rear (north) facade is an original two-story porch with Doric columns and a lattice railing on the second story. Connecting the two-stories is an exterior staircase with square balusters and newel posts. One small section of the porch was enclosed ca. 1900 and also at the rear are two small shed roof, one-story additions dated ca. 1920. On the east facade is a four-panel door with a single-light transom and single-light sidelights. Dividing the sidelights and door are Doric pilasters. The interior retains an original staircase with a square newel post and round balusters, Greek Revival influenced architrave molding on the door surrounds and mantles and four panel doors. There are no outbuildings.

Period of Significance: ca. 1861

Area of Significance: Architecture

Criterion: C

Architect/Builder: Unknown

Statement of Significance:

The Joseph Wilson House is a notable example of an ante-bellum frame central

passage, ell plan residence with Greek Revival detailing. The house displays its original two-story Doric influenced portico and original door and window detailing. It also retains its original central passage floor plan and interior historic features. No major additions have been added to the house since its construction. No original outbuildings survive.

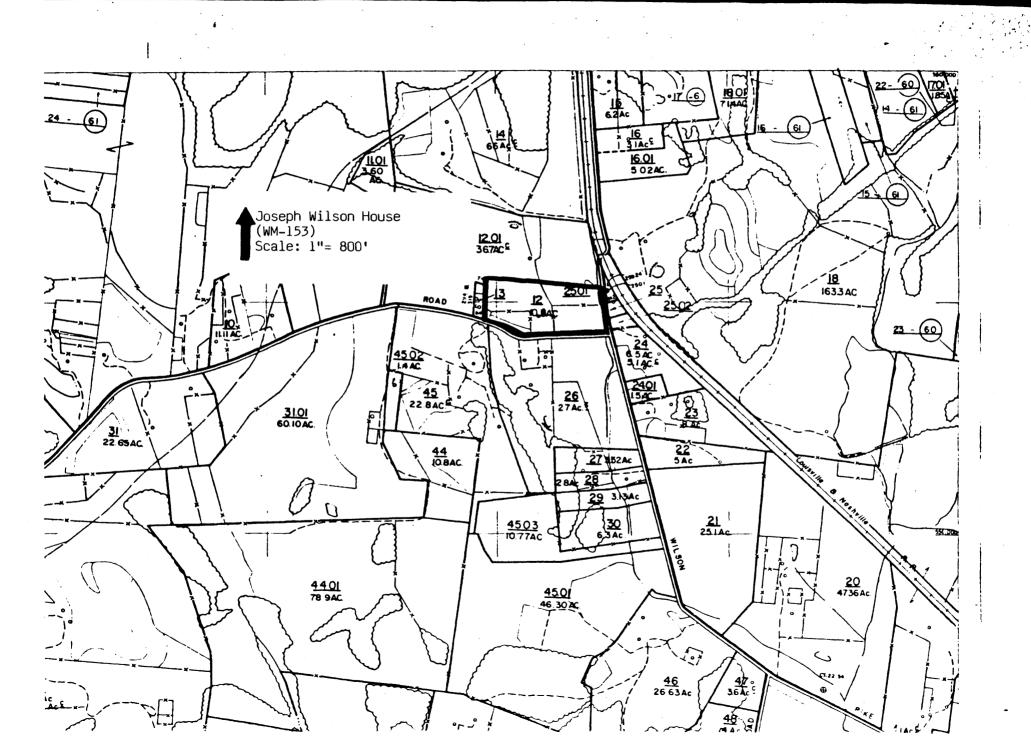
Joseph Wilson was born in 1797 and began construction of this house in 1861. Most of the exterior was complete when the Civil War began but the house was not finished completely until 1865. Wilson was born blind but radition states that he inspected each piece of lumber by hand during the building of his residence. Upon completion his residence was an excellent example of the central passage plantation house of the period. Wilson died in 1881 and his house was inherited by his son, George Wilson, and later by S.J. Wilson. The house remained in the Wilson family until 1971 and few changes or alterations took place to the structure during these years.

Acreage: 9.5 acres

UTM References: Franklin Quad/16/520860/3975140

Verbal Boundary Description and Justification: The boundary for the Joseph Wilson House is illustrated on accompanying Williamson County tax ma # 80, lot 12. The boundary includes the legal boundary of the property and is sufficient to protect the historical setting of the site.

Supplemental Bibliographical References:



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