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National Park Service

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National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

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

1. Name

historic Jackson House

and/or common same

2. Location

street & number Off LA Hwy. 27, slightly south of DeQuincy N/A not for publication

city, town DeQuincy X vicinity of

state Louisiana code 22 parish Calcasieu code 019

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	N/A in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	N/A being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property

name Mr. and Mrs. George L. Hodges

street & number Route 3, Box 497

city, town DeQuincy X vicinity of state LA 70633

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Calcasieu Parish Courthouse

street & number Corner of Kirby & Ryan Streets P. O. Box 1030

city, town Lake Charles state LA 70601

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title LA Historic Sites Survey has this property been determined eligible? yes no

date 1985 federal state county local

depository for survey records LA State Historic Preservation Office

city, town Baton Rouge state LA

7. Description

Condition

excellent
 good
 fair

deteriorated
 ruins
 unexposed

Check one

unaltered
 altered

Check one

original site
 moved

date 1980

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Jackson House (c.1903) is a frame dogtrot house presently located in a rural setting approximately half a mile south of the town of DeQuincy. Despite a recent move and a few changes, the house retains its National Register eligibility.

The Jackson House was moved in 1980 from Ragley in Beauregard Parish some twelve miles to its present location in Calcasieu Parish. The move was necessary in order to save the house from demolition by neglect. The previous owner was not interested in preservation, and in fact, had been using the house for hay storage. The structure was moved intact and placed in a setting similar to the old. It is not known if the compass point orientation is the same. In our opinion the move has not adversely affected the property's National Register eligibility because it was not moved from the area which is the context for its architectural significance.

The structure is board and batten with no bracing and no studs. The plan consists of four rooms with a central open dogtrot corridor. Other features include four over four windows, plain square gallery posts, and four panel doors.

Assessment of Integrity

Since construction a small bathroom has been added and a single chimney has been lost. In addition, the front gallery floor is replaced and a small one bay rear porch has been added. These changes have not adversely affected the house's National Register eligibility because its architectural identity as a dogtrot house easily remains intact. Specific features in this regard include 1) the open dogtrot corridor, 2) the form and mass of the house and 3) the fenestration.

Adjacent to the house is an old cistern which is listed as a non-contributing element because it is not historically associated with the house.

8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500–1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600–1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/ humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

Specific dates c. 1903

Builder/Architect Builder; Thomas J. Jackson

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph) Criterion C

The Jackson House is locally significant in the area of architecture as an important example of a dogtrot house within the context of southwestern Louisiana.

The dogtrot house type is associated with the Upland South culture in Louisiana. In many parts of the state it represents the pioneer phase of settlement and is often typologically the oldest building type remaining. No survey exists for southwestern Louisiana, but the Jackson House is thought to be a rare example for two reasons. Firstly, there were not very many of them to begin with. Southwestern Louisiana was settled comparatively late in the nineteenth century, and it did not have the dense rural settlement which characterized the culturally similar northern part of the state. There simply was not much time for the dogtrot mode to establish itself in the area before the bungalow style swept all before it. Secondly, many have been lost due mostly to demolition by neglect. The Jackson dogtrot is particularly important because it retains its open central passageway. Many other surviving examples have had their passageways enclosed for the owner's comfort. In fact, the State Historic Preservation Office knows of no other dogtrot in the region in as good a state of integrity as the Jackson House.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Personal communication with Dr. Milton B. Newton, Department of Geography & Anthropology, Louisiana State University. 3/15/85.
 United States Land Office Records. Copies of pertinent documents in Register file, LA State Historic Preservation Office.

10. Geographical Data

Acreege of nominated property @ 1/8 of an acre

Quadrangle name DeQuincy, LA

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

UTM References

A

1	5	4	5	8	4	6	0	3	3	6	7	0	6	0
Zone			Easting				Northing							

B

Zone			Easting				Northing							

C

Zone			Easting				Northing							

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H

Zone			Easting				Northing							

Verbal boundary description and justification See attached sketch map. Because the house was moved, there was no historic setting to recognize. Also, nominating all the land under single ownership would have meant taking in a large modern ranch house. For these reasons, a small amount of land is being nominated sufficient to encompass the dogtrot.

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state N/A code county code

state code county code

11. Form Prepared By

name/title National Register Staff Division of Historic Preservation ASSISTED BY OWNER

organization State of Louisiana date October 1985

street & number P. O. Box 44247 telephone (504) 922-0358

city or town Baton Rouge state LA 70804

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

___ national ___ state X local

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature *Robert B. DeBlieux*

title State Historic Preservation Officer Robert B. DeBlieux date January 6, 1986

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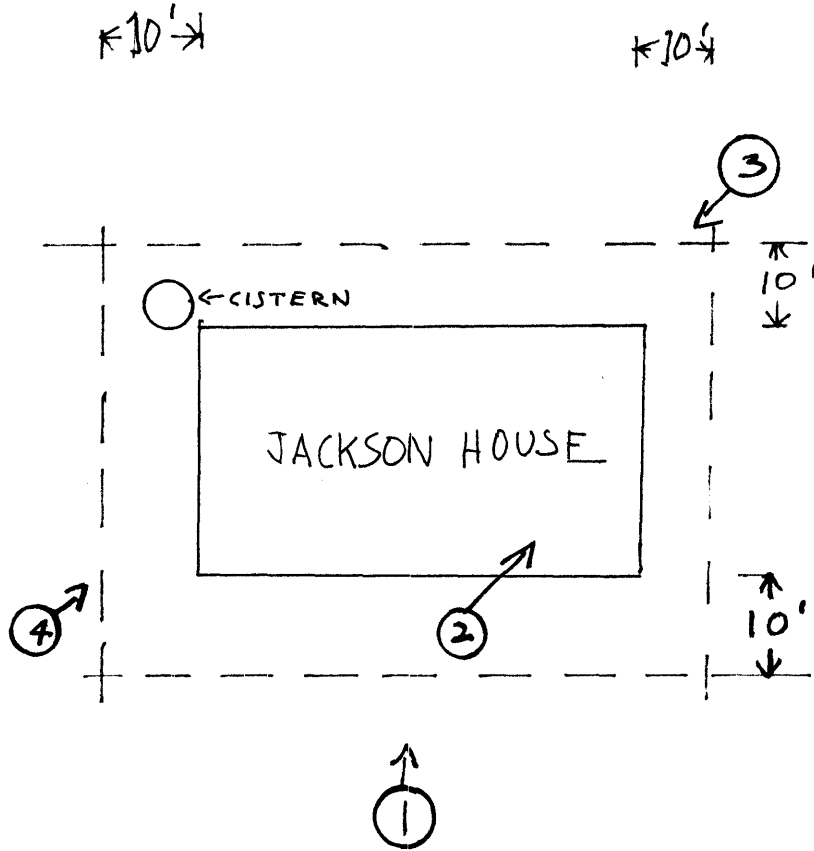
I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

for Melvyn Byer date 2-13-86
 Keeper of the National Register

Attest: date

Chief of Registration

JACKSON HOUSE
CALCASIEU PARISH,
LA.



NOT TO SCALE

BOUNDARY
Boundary lines
parallel building
elevations at
distances shown