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## TENNESSEE MULTIPLE PROPERTY FORM

Title: Historic Resources of Williamson CountyNATIONAL  
REGISTERHistoric Name: Jordan-Williams House (WM-197)Common Name: Jordan-Williams HouseClassification: BuildingOwner: Charles Clark, Route # 1, Box 137, Rocky Fork Road, Nolensville, TN.Location: On Rocky Fork Road two miles east of Nolensville.

<u>Contributing:</u>		<u>Non-Contributing:</u>	
Buildings	1	Buildings	1
Structures	0	Structures	2
Sites	0	Sites	0
<u>Total:</u>	1	<u>Total:</u>	3

Description:

The Jordan-Williams House is a two-story frame, Italianate influenced residence built ca. 1855. On the main (south) facade is a two-story veranda with a projecting central pediment. The porch has square columns with Doric motif capitals. The porch railing on the first story has turned balusters and on the second story are milled, cut-out balusters. The main entrance has four panel glass and frame door with a single-light arched transom. The windows are original arched six-over-six sash with original shutters. On the second story of the central bay is a four panel door. Beneath the eaves are brackets.

The house has exterior stone chimneys and a new metal standing seam roof, and stone foundation. On the rear and ell facades is a ca.1900 one-story porch with square posts. Doors on this facade are original four panel frame and windows are rectangular six-over-six sash. The interior was not accessible but according to the owner retains its original central hall plan and Italianate design mantles and staircase.

To the west and east of the house are three non-contributing outbuildings built in the early 20th century and consist of a ca.1920 frame barn with vertical board siding and a metal roof; a ca.1920 shed roof garage with vertical and horizontal board siding and a ca. 1940 concrete block shed. The house sits on a hill facing Rocky Fork Road and it retains its original site and setting.

Period of Significance: ca. 1855Area of Significance: ArchitectureCriterion: CArchitect/Builder: UnknownStatement of Significance:

The Jordan-Williams House is a notable example of a frame Italianate influenced residence of the mid-19th century. It was constructed ca. 1855 and has not been significantly altered. The residence features an elaborate milled porch with extensive decoration and is one of the best examples of this style home in the county. Since the addition of a rear porch ca. 1900 there have not been any significant alterations to the house.

The house was constructed ca. 1855 by Edward J. Jordan who owned this property since the 1830s. Jordan's house was designed in a traditional central passage plan with Italianate influenced arched doors and windows. The porch was especially well crafted with exuberant milled balusters on the railing. After the Civil War Jordan's daughter, Elizabeth, married Thomas G. Williams who served in the 20th Tennessee infantry. Williams and his wife resided here and farmed the surrounding 200 acres until the early 1900s. The house has since had several owners.

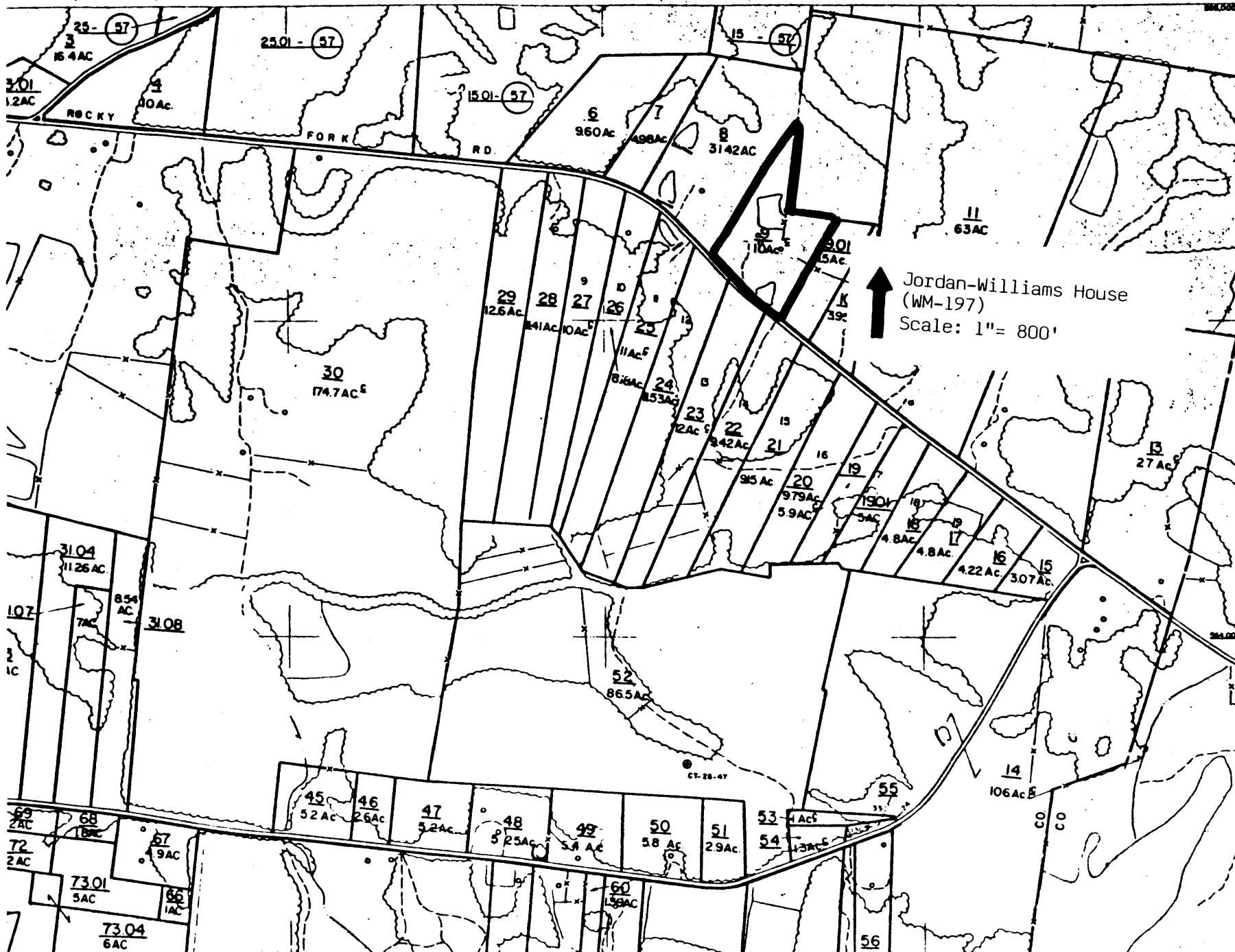
The Jordan-Williams House is notable for its intact architectural design. The arched windows and decorative porch makes it one of the county's finest vernacular expressions of the Italianate style and it has not been significantly altered.

Acreage: 10 acres

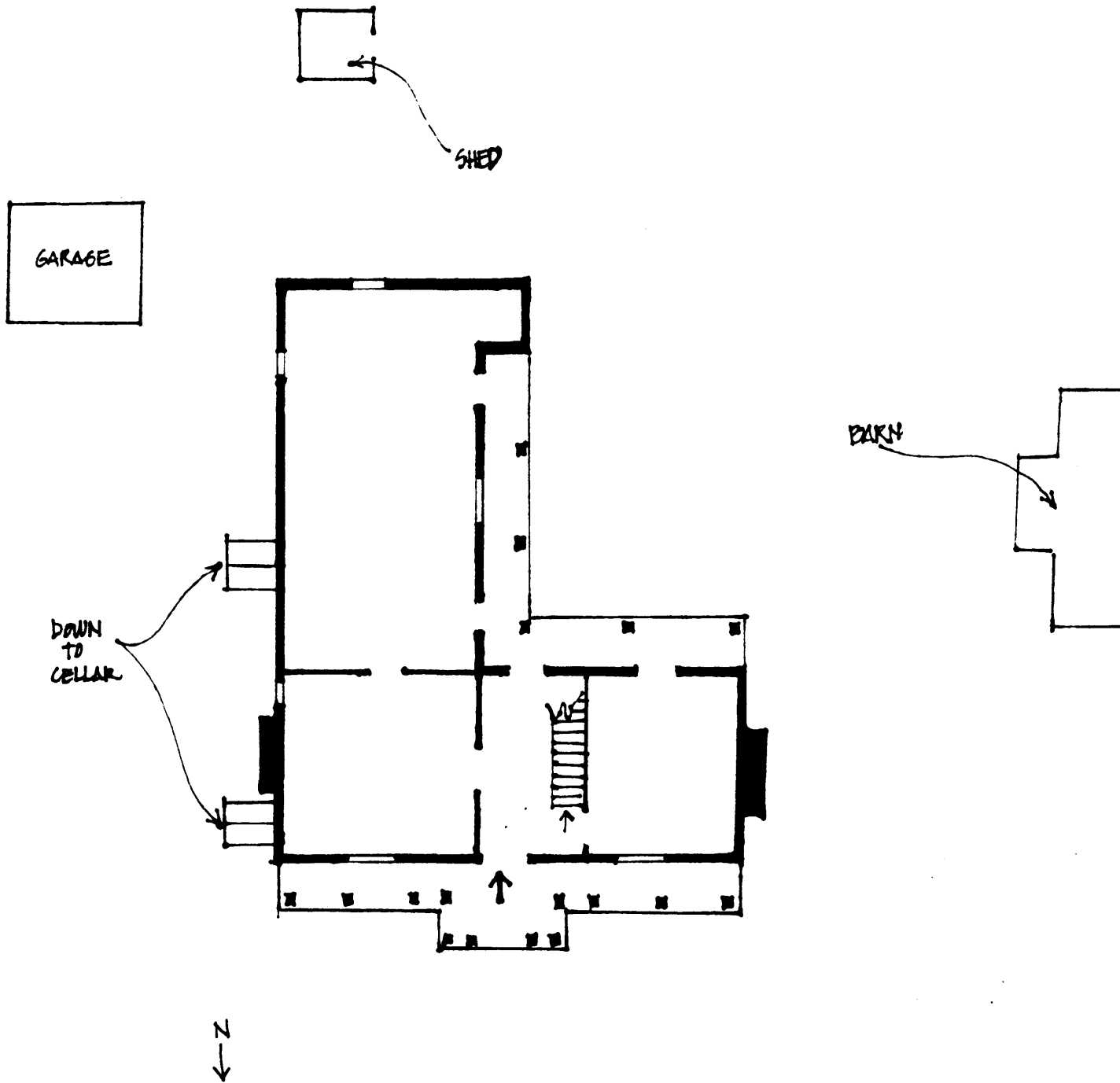
UTM References: Smyrna Quad/ A. 16/534220/3977640 B. 16/534300/3977570 C. 16/534130/3977520 D. 16/534260/3977450

Verbal Boundary and Justification: The boundary for the Jordan-Williams House is illustrated on accompanying Williamson County tax map # 58, lot 9. The boundary includes the legal boundary of the property. The boundary includes the house and adjacent outbuildings and is sufficient to protect the historical setting of the site.

Supplemental Bibliographical References: Historic Williamson County, Bowman.



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