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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Maryland  
 COUNTY: Baltimore  
 FOR NPS USE ONLY  
 ENTRY DATE: JUL 25 1974

1. NAME

COMMON: ~~THE~~ Eagle's Nest  
 AND/OR HISTORIC: portion of "Valley of Jehosaphat"

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: Jarrettsville Pike  
 CITY OR TOWN: Phoenix CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT: Second  
 STATE: Maryland CODE: 24 COUNTY: Baltimore CODE: 005

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME: Clifford F. Shaw  
 STREET AND NUMBER:  
 CITY OR TOWN: Phoenix STATE: Maryland CODE: 24

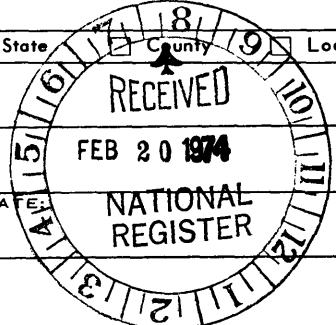
5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Baltimore County Courthouse  
 STREET AND NUMBER:  
 CITY OR TOWN: Towson STATE: Maryland CODE: 24

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:  
 DATE OF SURVEY:  Federal  State  Local  
 DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:  
 STREET AND NUMBER:  
 CITY OR TOWN: STATE: CODE:

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

"The Eagle's Nest" is a large fieldstone dwelling constructed about 1800 on part of a tract called "Valley of Jehosaphat". The house consists of three parts: a tall, two and one half story 5 bay long portion and two long 1 1/2 story portions, the last being a twentieth century garage with storage area above. A wide overhanging eave was added to the main portion in the latter part of the 19th century, creating a heavier composition than originally constructed.

The south entrance has an architrave composed of reeded engaged columns with a cove molding above the fascia. At the entrance there are old stone steps having old wrought iron balustrade with brass finials. The rear entrance has a small porch with gable roof. An open arcade beneath the "A" roof of the original wing is now enclosed with double glazed doors. The latter wing consists of the original kitchen, at the east end of the arcade, and the present kitchen which opens from the north side of the arcade. The two rooms were finished very simply, with rough plaster walls, and exposed beams in the original kitchen. New brick floors with radiant heat have been installed in the original kitchen and arcade.

The main portion of the house consists of two large rooms with central stair hall. Both rooms have fine fluted Federal mantels, the dining room mantel having tapered pilasters. In the southeast corner of the room is a paneled corner cupboard. North of the fireplace are three built-in paneled cabinets beneath the secondary enclosed stair. There are recessed paneled window jambs throughout the first story rooms. A five-piece cornice gives a note of refinement to the high ceilings.

In the hall the principal feature is the open string stair, which ascends to the attic. The stair has rectangular balusters, turned newels and fretwork step ends. Beneath the stair is a paneled area enclosing the cellar stair and a lavatory.

Only the cornice of the library differs from other woodwork of the house. It has a row of futes on the fascia board similar to the fluting on the mantel. West of the library an enclosed porch has been constructed with glass walls from floor to ceiling.

On the second story, the floorplan is unusual, having two rooms and the secondary stair hall above the dining room and the normal arrangement elsewhere. The master bedroom is finished similar to the library below. Two paneled closets are located south of the fireplace in the dining room chamber. Baths were installed in the rooms at the head of the main and secondary stairs. Access to the wing is gained from the secondary stair. It contains two bedrooms and a bath. The secondary stair also ascends to the attic where there are two large rooms and a bath.

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**SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- Pre-Columbian |  16th Century |  18th Century |  20th Century  
 15th Century |  17th Century |  19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

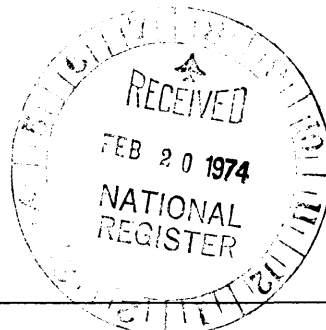
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric             | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering            | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic                | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry               | <input type="checkbox"/> Science             | <u>Architectural</u>                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture             | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention              | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture           | _____   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature             | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater             | _____   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce                | <input type="checkbox"/> Military               | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation      | _____   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications          | <input type="checkbox"/> Music                  |  | _____   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation            |   |  | _____   |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Eagle's Nest is an important large farm house in Baltimore County because of the profusion of original detail. The detail includes the fine main entrance, the interior wood work, the original arch~~ade~~, period out buildings and stone walls. Its modern additions complimentary to the old dwelling. The fact that the interior trim is intact is an indication of the sensitivity of its 20th century restorer.

Eagle's Nest belonged to the Marsh family from the 18th century through the 20th. Joshua Marsh (d. 1825) most probably erected the impressive house on a tract he inherited from his father in 1802. Prior to the American Revolution Eagle's Nest had been a part of the Valley of Jehosophat, the property of Walter Dulaney, the Loyalist son of Daniel Dulaney. The State of Maryland confiscated property that belonged to Tories and sold it. At that time Joshua Marsh's father acquired two lots, Eagle's Nest and Marsh's Ridge. The father's "new and well finished" one story stone house measuring twenty by eighteen feet constrasts with the much larger residence of the son.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Federal Direct Tax Assessment, 1798, Gunpowder Upper and Mine Run Hundreds, Baltimore County, Hall of Records, Annapolis, Maryland.



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**9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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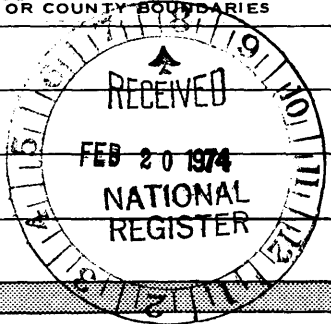
**10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY				O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES				
CORNER	LATITUDE				LONGITUDE				
	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds
NW	39°	28'	17"	76°	34'	36"	0		
NE	39°	28'	18"	76°	34'	29"			
SE	39°	28'	15"	76°	34'	26"			
SW	39°	28'	11"	76°	34'	35"			

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: six acres

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
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**11. FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME AND TITLE:  
Michael O. Bourne, Coordinatory of Field Services

ORGANIZATION: Maryland Historical Trust DATE: May 31, 1973

STREET AND NUMBER:  
2525 Riva Road

CITY OR TOWN: Annapolis STATE: Maryland CODE: 24

**12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION**

As the designated State Liaison 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. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National  State  Local

Name Orlando Ridout  
Orlando Ridout, IV

Title State Historic Preservation Officer for Maryland

Date February 6, 1974

**NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION**

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

A. R. ...  
 Director, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date 7/25/74

ATTEST:

Ronald M. Axelberg  
 Keeper of The National Register

Date 7/22/74

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No. 7. Description Continued

On the north side of the kitchen stands a square stone smokehouse with pyramidal roof. A similar building, probably used as a dairy, stands adjacent to the well in a walled yard south of the kitchen. South of the main house is a yard, the drive and a formal garden which has a retaining wall on its south end. A modern stone wall surrounds most of the property. There is extensive mature planting between the house and Jarrettsville Pike.

No. 9. Major Bibliographical References Continued

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