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PROPERTY NAME: The Wm. L. Cooke House HISTORIC NAME: The Wm. L. Cooke House

STREET ADDRESS: 1523 3rd Avenue CITY: Columbus COUNTY: Muscogee

PRESENT OWNER: Waver L. Colbert MAILING ADDRESS: 1523 3rd Avenue

CITY: ZIP CODE: 31901 STATE: Georgia Columbus

CURRENT USE: ACREAGE: Less than one acre

U.S.G.S. QUADRANGLE: Columbus, GA-AL U.T.M. REFERENCE: 16-688960-3594700

V.B.D. OR TAX MAP NUMBER:

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION AND PRESENT CONDITION: Georgian Revival Cottage, one story tall, square plan, gable roof, 2 interior chimneys, one story central portico; ballon frame: construction with stretcher bond brick exterior, brick foundation same as remainder of building with string course between foundation and first floor, asphalt shingle roof, front facade is three bays wide, central entrance with side lights covered by corinthian columned portico with complete entablature, pediment above porch has boxed gable return and rounded arch window, eaves of house have frieze with modillions and cornice; interior has central hall four room plan; situated in residential area c. 1880-1920; landscaping includes

ORIGINAL OWNER: William L. Cooke ORIGINAL USE: Private dwelling

ARCHITECT/BUILDER: HISTORIC ACREAGE:

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: ca. 1922-1923 DATE(S) OF ALTERATIONS:

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE (FROM ORIGINS TO PRESENT): This address is listed for the first time in the 1923 city directory. Apparently, William L. Cooke, a local physician, and his wife, Martha built this house around 1922 or 1923. The Cookes lived here until the mid-1930's.

N.R. AREA(S) OF SIGNIFICANCE: Architecture, Local History LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE: Local

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL): Architecture: Significant as an example of a 1920's interpretation of the Georgian Revival cottage in the "High Up Town" area. This house has Georgian proportioning and detailing on the front facade, particularly the portico. Local History: This house, located in what was once Columbus' elite "High Uptown neighborhood, is significant as it was apparently built for a local physician, who stayed at this address for only about 10 years.

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b) (404)322-0756 b) 700 Broadway, Cols, GA 31901 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS: Historic Structures Field Survey: Columbus-Muscogee County, Georgia. 1976 state survey, Historic Preservation Section, DNR, Atlanta, Georgia. SOURCES OF INFORMATION: Columbus City Directories (1923-1934).



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USE SPACE BELOW FOR CONTINUATION FROM FRONT, SKETCH PLANS OR MAPS, ADDITIONAL COMMENTS, ETC. ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION: small yard with shrubbery around house and palmettos in yard, good condition.

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## III. History

<u>Date of Construction</u>: According to recent research in the Columbus Industrial Index, December, 1919, this house had just been completed by Dr. William L. Cooke.

## IV. Significance

Architecture: This structure is significant to Columbus for the two reasons stated; it is an example of a 1920's interpretation of the Georgian Revival cottage, and is one of a kind in the Multiple Resource Area. It was built by Dr. William L. Cooke, who was one of the most prominent general practicing surgeons in Columbus. The house is probably the most highly detailed interpretation of the Georgian Revival to be found in the whole of Columbus.