

INDIVIDUAL DATA SHEET

Property Name Banks House Property Owner Paul Belts
Location Hwy. 72, west of Hiwassee Address Hwy. 72
Construction Date c. 1900 Survey No. 0662 Hiwassee, AR 72739

DESCRIPTION

The Banks House, facing south on Hwy. 72 just west of Hiwassee, is a simple double-pen frame structure (a duple) with a one-story 3/4 length front porch. Supported by four round wood columns, the hipped roof porch shelters twin entry doors and the flanking one-over-one double-hung windows. An outside-end chimney, originally brick and veneered with sandstone in 1941, rises above the ridgeline on the east facade. Two small windows flank the chimney, giving light and ventilation to second floor living space. An enclosed central stairway gives access to this upper level space. A one-story T-wing at the rear is flanked by covered porches, the west one of which has been enclosed. The rear wing was built over a well which for many years supplied household water drawn by hand.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Criterion: C Area of significance: architecture

One criterion for evaluating vernacular architecture is adherence to traditional form. The Banks House is significant for its almost flawless adherence to an idealized double-pen (or duple) form. It exemplifies excellent maintenance, showing little evidence of modification of its original construction. The modest modifications which have been made (enclosure of the west rear porch) illustrate changes which are almost inevitably found on residences of this pattern and age. No modernization has been performed on the interior. The owner has recently indicated plans for rehabilitating the house to contemporary standards of comfort. It has been unoccupied for many years, used only as furniture storage. The present owner, Paul Belts, is an heir of the Banks family who built it.

Acreage less than 1 acre

Verbal Boundary Description From the intersection of State Highways #279 and #72, proceed

Quadrangle Name Hiwassee, Ark.-Mo. Quadrangle Scale 1:24000

UTM Reference: Zone 15 Easting 379280 Northing 4032500

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION CONT.

west 1.22 miles on #72. Then proceed 70 feet north to the point of beginning, the southeast corner of the property. Proceed north 80 feet, then proceed west 75 feet, then proceed south 80 feet, and then proceed east 75 feet to the point of beginning.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Criterion: _____

Area of significance: _____

Acreage _____

Verbal Boundary Description _____

Quadrangle Name _____ Quadrangle Scale _____

UTM Reference: Zone _____ Easting _____ Northing _____

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

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National Register of Historic Places
Continuation Sheet

Section number _____ Page _____

Multiple Resource Area
Thematic GroupName Benton County MRA
State Benton County, ARKANSAS

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

Cover

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1. Bentonville Train Station

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Attest _____

2. Linebarger House

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3. Siloam Springs City Park

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4. Adar House

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National Register**Keeper Shelene Byers 3/25/88

Attest _____

5. Alden House

**Entered in the
National Register**Keeper Shelene Byers 1/28/88

Attest _____

6. Bank of Gentry

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National Register**Keeper Shelene Byers 1/28/88

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7. Banks House

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8. Bartell, Fred, House

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9. Beasley Homestead

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10. Benton County Courthouse

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Banks House (Benton County MRA)
Benton County
ARKANSAS

DEC 14 1987

Working No. _____

Fed. Reg. Date: 2/7/89

Date Due: 1/14/88 1/28/88

Action: ☒ ACCEPT 1-28-88

☐ RETURN

☐ REJECT

Federal Agency: _____

- ☐ resubmission
☐ nomination by person or local government
☐ owner objection
☐ appeal

Substantive Review: ☐ sample ☐ request ☐ appeal ☐ NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria _____

Reviewer _____

Discipline _____

Date _____

_____ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: _____ technical corrections cited below
_____ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible? ☐ yes ☐ no

7. Description

Condition

- | | |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> excellent | <input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated |
| <input type="checkbox"/> good | <input type="checkbox"/> ruins |
| <input type="checkbox"/> fair | <input type="checkbox"/> unexposed |

Check one

- ☐ unaltered
☐ altered

Check one

- ☐ original site
☐ moved date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- ☐ summary paragraph
☐ completeness
☐ clarity
☐ alterations/integrity
☐ dates
☐ boundary selection

8. Significance

Period _____ Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates _____

Builder/Architect _____

Statement of Significance (*in one paragraph*)

- ☐ summary paragraph
- ☐ completeness
- ☐ clarity
- ☐ applicable criteria
- ☐ justification of areas checked
- ☐ relating significance to the resource
- ☐ context
- ☐ relationship of integrity to significance
- ☐ justification of exception
- ☐ other

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UTM References _____

Verbal boundary description and justification _____

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

_____ national _____ state _____ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

title _____ date _____

13. Other

- ☐ Maps
- ☐ Photographs
- ☐ Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: _____



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Banks

Elks House - 0662

Vic. Hiwasse
Benton County MRA

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Negatives on file at AHPP

Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000022