

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM**

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: New Jersey	
COUNTY: Camden	
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ENTRY NUMBER	DATE
	JUN 18 1973

1. NAME

COMMON:
1743 House

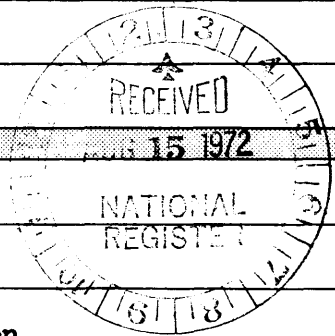
AND/OR HISTORIC:
Samuel Coles House

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
1743 Old Cuthbert Road

CITY OR TOWN:
Township of Cherry Hill

STATE: **New Jersey** CODE: **34** COUNTY: **Camden** CODE: **007**



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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agricultural nursery <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:
Jerome B. and Shaula C. Wright

STREET AND NUMBER:
1743 Old Cuthbert Road

CITY OR TOWN: **Township of Cherry Hill** STATE: **New Jersey** CODE: **34**

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Camden County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER:
Court House Square

CITY OR TOWN: **Camden** STATE: **New Jersey** CODE: **34**

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
New Jersey Historic Sites Inventory #678.2

DATE OF SURVEY: **1972** Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
Historic Sites Office

STREET AND NUMBER:
Box 1420

CITY OR TOWN: **Trenton** STATE: **New Jersey** CODE: **34**

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7. Description

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input 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

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The Samuel Coles House is a 2½ story brick structure 40' x 35'. The front elevation (South) is Flemish bond with a drip course set at 2nd floor level. The foundation is of iron rock and sandstone. The house faces South-East.

Originally a pent roof extended along the front of the house; a block front porch was added in the twenties, and the pent roof removed. In 1968 the porch was removed and a new pent roof added.

The original front door opening was enlarged and moved several feet to the right (viewer facing the front of the house) and the fan light removed in the 19th century. This Victorian treatment has not been corrected yet.

On the first floor all the original window openings were reduced and Victorian 2 over 2 sashed installed. The owners have replaced four of the windows with 8 over 8 sashes also restoring openings to original dimensions.

The windows on the 2nd floor have been Victorianized. To date the owners have restored 5 windows to the original.

The floors on the 1st floor have been replaced over the past century with a variety of flooring. To date the owners have replaced all but one room with flooring taken from the attic or salvaged from period homes in the area. All flooring is yellow pine more often than not 5/4 thickness. All floors on the 2nd floor are original and in fine condition.

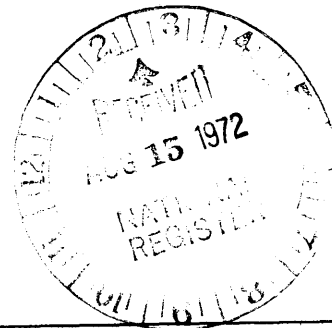
The original floor plan of the house consisted of four large rooms on the first floor. The front door opened into a large front room; you entered the rear rooms from door ways in each of the front rooms. The stair case to the second floor was in the center toward the rear of the house. This is now gone. The second floor was basically the same.

At the present time the floor plan is that of a "center hall colonial". The stair case located in the 1st and 2nd floor halls. To the best of our knowledge the stairs are of the Victorian era.

There were originally 8 fireplaces on the two floors. Being corner fireplaces only two chimneys are needed, one at either end of the house. Today because of a bay-window addition in the 1870s at one end of the house there are 6 fireplaces remaining. Four of the remaining fireplaces are in use and have been used every winter since 1958.

The cellar is a full 8'6" high with a brick floor and a large corner fireplace. The opening measures approximately 8'. This fireplace has not been opened yet.

Some interesting interior woodwork features are: a room end closet in an upstairs bedroom. The doors and exterior walls of the closet are of raised panel construction; the wood is red cedar which is still seen in the fields of South Jersey. Two 8 light transoms above the closet permit light to enter.



8. Significance

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 18th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 19th Century | |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) **1743 original construction**

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | _____ |
| <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

In 1740, Samuel Coles II purchased 268 acres of land from John Estaugh of Newton (now Audubon, N.J.) and constructed a 2½ story brick house approximately 1.5 miles South East of Kings Highway in Waterford Township. Today the road is still known by the original name; the official designation is county road 41.

At one point during the nineteenth century the large cellar of the house served as a local jail, the cells, leg irons and chains remaining until the 1940s.

The importance of the Coles House, we feel, is for its architecture. It is representative of an early South Jersey house owned by a family of some means. At the present time the house contains examples of local interior woodwork of the period salvaged from other old homes of similar age in the area. This woodwork has been incorporated in the house during our restoration.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Deeds of Camden and Gloucester Counties

Jerome B. Wright, Landscape architect. Reviewed by Charles Tichey, A.I.A.

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		LATITUDE		LONGITUDE		
	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds
NW	°	'	"	°	'	"	39	54	48
NE	°	'	"	°	'	"	74	58	42
SE	°	'	"	°	'	"			
SW	°	'	"	°	'	"			

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 5.34

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Jerome B. and Shaula C. Wright

ORGANIZATION: _____ DATE: 7/6/71

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12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

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: Richard J. Sullivan
Richard J. Sullivan

Title: Commissioner, Department of Environmental Protection

Date: August 7, 1972

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

Robert W. Utley
Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date: 6/18/73

ATTEST:
W. Bradford
Keeper of The National Register

Date: June 5, 1973

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7. Description (Continuation Sheet) 1

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Camden 34 007

Period over mantles from demolished houses in the area have been set up as hall end panelling on the 2nd floor.

Every fireplace has its cuddy and, more often than not, the doors are gone. However, there are some fine examples of doors with hand hinges, and two doors with particularly fine butterfly hinges.

The attic or actually 3rd floor is unfinished. There is evidence of two dormers in the front of the house.

The initials S C M and the date 1743 appear in glazed brick on the South West elevation (side). The initials Samuel Coles, and his wife Mary.

The house today has all of the modern conveniences. A new oil heater was installed last winter. I might add that we as a family of six draw our water via pump of course from a thirty three foot dug well that has not failed us yet.

A new roof was installed in 1966.

Congressional Representation

- Honorable Harrison A. Williams, U.S. Senator
- Honorable Clifford P. Case, U.S. Senator
- Honorable Edwin Forsythe, 6th District, U.S. Congressman

