HISTORIC RESOURCES OF Lumpkin, Stewart County, Georgia

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GEORGIA ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORIC PROPERTIES SURVEY-INVENTORY FORM

PROPERTY NAME: Usher Home

HISTORIC NAME: Usher Home

STREET ADDRESS: Florence St. at-College AveCITY: Lumpkin , Stewart County

PRESENT OWNER: Mrs. Charlotte Usher

MAILING ADDRESS: P.O. Box 284

CITY: Lumpkin

c/o Perry Usher

STATE: Georgia

**ZIP CODE: 31815** 

CURRENT USE: Residence

ACREAGE: Less than one acre

U.S.G.S. QUADRANGLE Lumpkin, Georgia

**U.T.M. REFERENCE:** 16 E 707600 N3548160

V.B.D. OR TAX MAP NUMBER: LU-2-7

DESCRIPTION

HISTORY

IDENTIFICATION

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION AND PRESENT CONDITION: Plantation Plain Cottage, ell plan, one story tall, brick pier foundation, gable roof with boxed cornice and gable returns; mortise and tenon construction with weatherboard siding, two exterior brick chimneys, tin roof; front facade details include shed porch with chamfered columns which protects tongue and groove sheathing surrounding two front entrances that are side by side, sheathing set off from weatherboard by fluted pilasters which also are found dividing the front doors, window flanking either side of the double entry, all windows in the house are 9/9 double hung sash windows; interior has walls of tongue and groove (CONT'D)

Unknown ORIGINAL OWNER:

ORIGINAL USE: Residence

ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Unknown

**HISTORIC ACREAGE:** Unknown

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: c. 1835

DATE(S) OF ALTERATIONS: 1907 (moved)

c. 1950 (rear addition) HISTORICAL NARRATIVE (FROM ORIGINS TO PRESENT): According to the present owner, Mr. Perry Usher, this house originally stood across the street on the site of the Lumpkin Elementary School. The Stewart County School Board, owning the present site of the house, and wanting more ground, swapped parcels on March 16, 1907, and the house was moved shortly thereafter. The house has been in the Usher family for 75 years. George Usher, the town miller, lived there for some time.

SIGNIFICANCE

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

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL): Local History: Significant as one of the earliest homes in Lumpkin, it was also the home of George Usher, a miller. The Usher family has long been active in Lumpkin, politically and civiclly, and remains so today. Architecture: This house, one of the rare examples of the Plantation Plain style in Lumpkin, is significant for its careful proportioning, front facade tongue and groove sheathing, pilasters, and double entry way. It is one of the earliest surviving works of architecture in the multiple resource area.

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REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS: Historic Structures Field Survey: Stewart County, Georgia 1976 State Survey, Historic Preservation Section, DNR, Atlanta, Georgia. SOURCES OF INFORMATION: Interview with Mr. Borry Walter 1 August 8, 1980.



PHOTOGRAPHER:

James R. Lockhart

DATE: November, 1980

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ROLL NO.--- FRAME NO.--- NEGATIVES FILED: Georgia Department of Natural Resources

DIRECTION PHOTOGRAPHER FACING: Southeast

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ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION CONT'D (II): paneling, mantels and woodwork show Federal style influences; alterations include shed addition to rear c. 1950, portions of weatherboard have been replaced with shiplap; landscaping consists of native flora around house, several large pecan trees shade this flat lot; situated in a residential area, with the public school to the north, c. 1950 ranch houses to the east and west; good condition.

