

TENNESSEE MULTIPLE PROPERTY FORM

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Title: Historic Resources of Williamson County

Historic Name: Hunter, John, House (WM-1023)

Common Name: McCullough House

NATIONAL REGISTER

Classification: Building

Owner: Harriet B. McCullough, Route # 6, Old 96, Franklin, TN 37064

Location: On Old 96 at the junction of Carl Road.

<u>Contributing:</u>		<u>Non-Contributing:</u>	
Buildings	1	Buildings	0
Structures	0	Structures:	0
Sites	0	Sites	0
<u>Total:</u>	1	<u>Total:</u>	0

Description:

The John Hunter House is a two-story brick Italianate residence constructed ca. 1875. On the main (north) facade is a one-story porch with square columns and Ionic motif capitals added ca. 1910. Beneath the porch eaves are decorative brackets. The main entrance is original with a single light glass and frame door with bead and reel molding. Above the door is a single light arched transom with two courses of brick relief arching. Flanking the door are small one-over-one sash windows with brick relief arching. In the projecting central bay of the second story are arched one-over-one sash windows and beneath the eaves are paired brackets and modillions. In the gable field of the main facade are eave returns, paired brackets and modillions.

The house is of six-course common bond and rests on a rusticated and dressed stone foundation. Windows throughout the house are one-over-one sash with original shutters and stone sills. At the southwest corner is a one-story frame porch and addition built ca. 1890 with six-over-six sash windows and original four panel doors. Connecting this addition with the main house is an open staircase with an original newel post and square balusters. At the southeast corner of the house is a ca. 1980 two-story frame addition.

The interior was designed in a central passage plan and has original detailing including an ornate Italianate newel post and turned balusters, original doors and molded door and window surrounds. Interior photographs were not possible. To the west of the house are several early 20th century outbuildings which are deteriorated and are not included in the boundary. The house is sited on a rural lot and its setting has not been altered.

Period of Significance: ca. 1875; ca. 1890; ca. 1910

Area of Significance: Architecture

Criterion: C

Architect/Builder: Unknown

Statement of Significance:

The John Hunter House is a notable example of the Italianate style of the late 19th century. Constructed ca. 1875, the house features original arched doors, windows and eave brackets. The residence is one of two brick Italianate designs built outside of Franklin which have not been altered (See WM-208). Two-story examples of the Italianate style are very rare in the county and the Hunter House is one of the best examples of this style.

John Hunter was a prominent county farmer of the late 19th century. Hunter was born in 1828 and served in the 44th Confederate infantry during the Civil War. Hunter purchased extensive land along the West Harpeth in the 1870s and constructed this Italianate style residence around 1875. The 1878 map lists the house as the center of Hunter's farm of 659 acres. By 1886 he had holdings of over 1,200 acres which was one of the largest farms in the county and Hunter was profiled in the 1886 Goodspeed biographical index. The farm has remained in the Hunter family to the present.

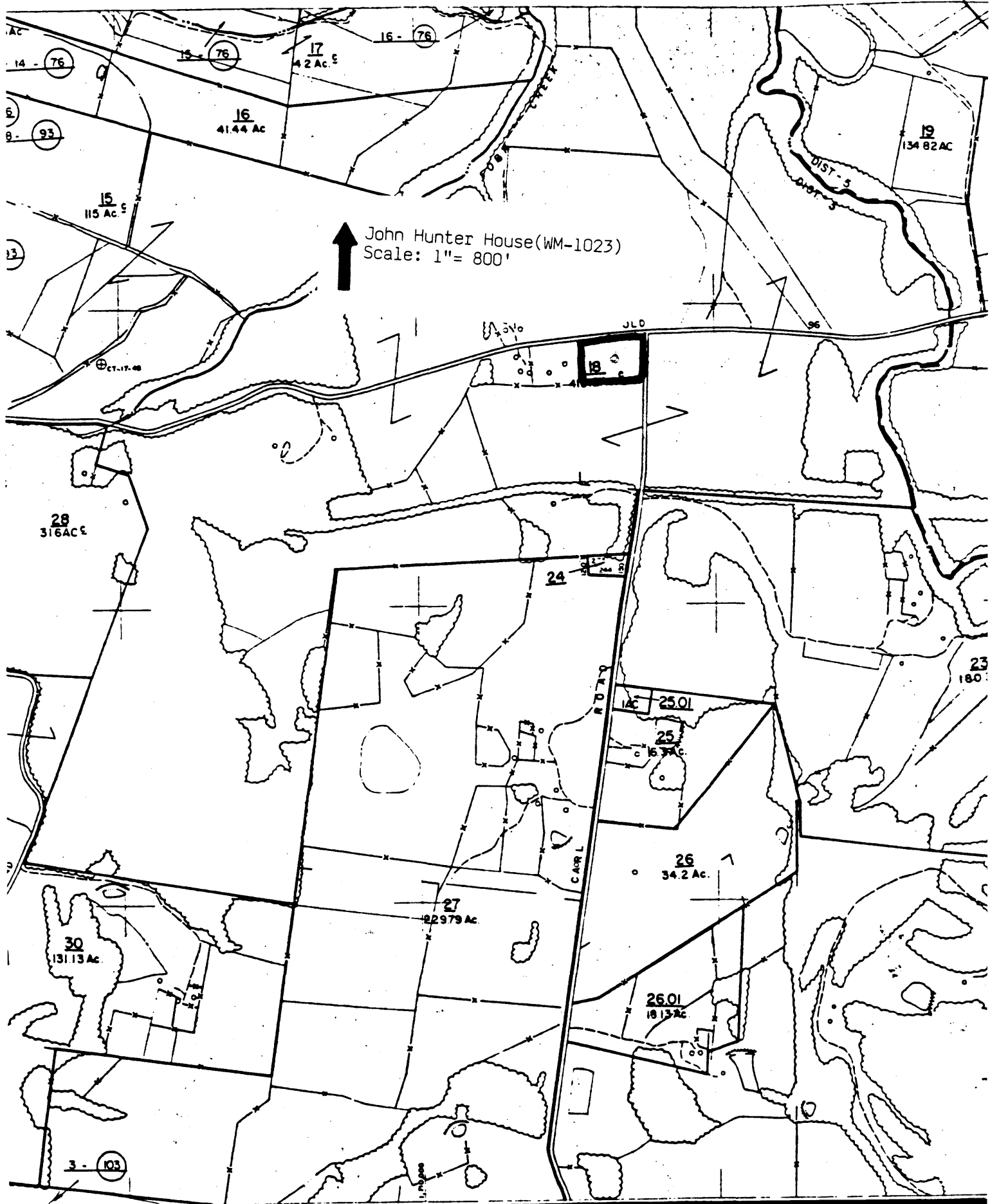
The John Hunter House is one of the county's best examples of the brick Italianate style. Around 1910, the original porch was removed and a new porch was added reflecting the popular Colonial Revival style. With this exception no other major alterations have taken place to the main facades. Recent additions have taken place to the rear of the house and the residence retains its historic integrity.

Acreage: 2.75 acres

UTM References: Leipers Fork Quad/16/502180/3970430

Verbal Boundary Description and Justification: The boundary for the John Hunter House is illustrated on accompanying Williamson County tax map # 92, lot 18. The boundary is defined on the south and west by fences, on the north by Old 96 Road and on the east by Carl Road. The boundary includes the house and excludes 20th century outbuildings to the west. The boundary includes property sufficient to protect the historical setting of the site.

Supplemental Bibliographical References: Goodspeed's History of Tennessee



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Scale: 1" = 800'

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4.2 Ac. E

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41.44 Ac

16 - 76

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134.82 Ac

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115 Ac. E

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316.6 Ac

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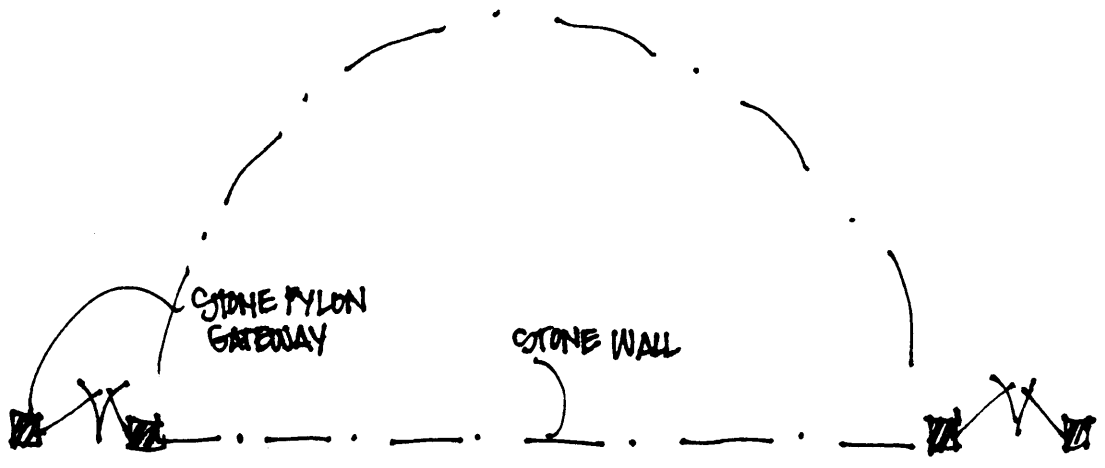
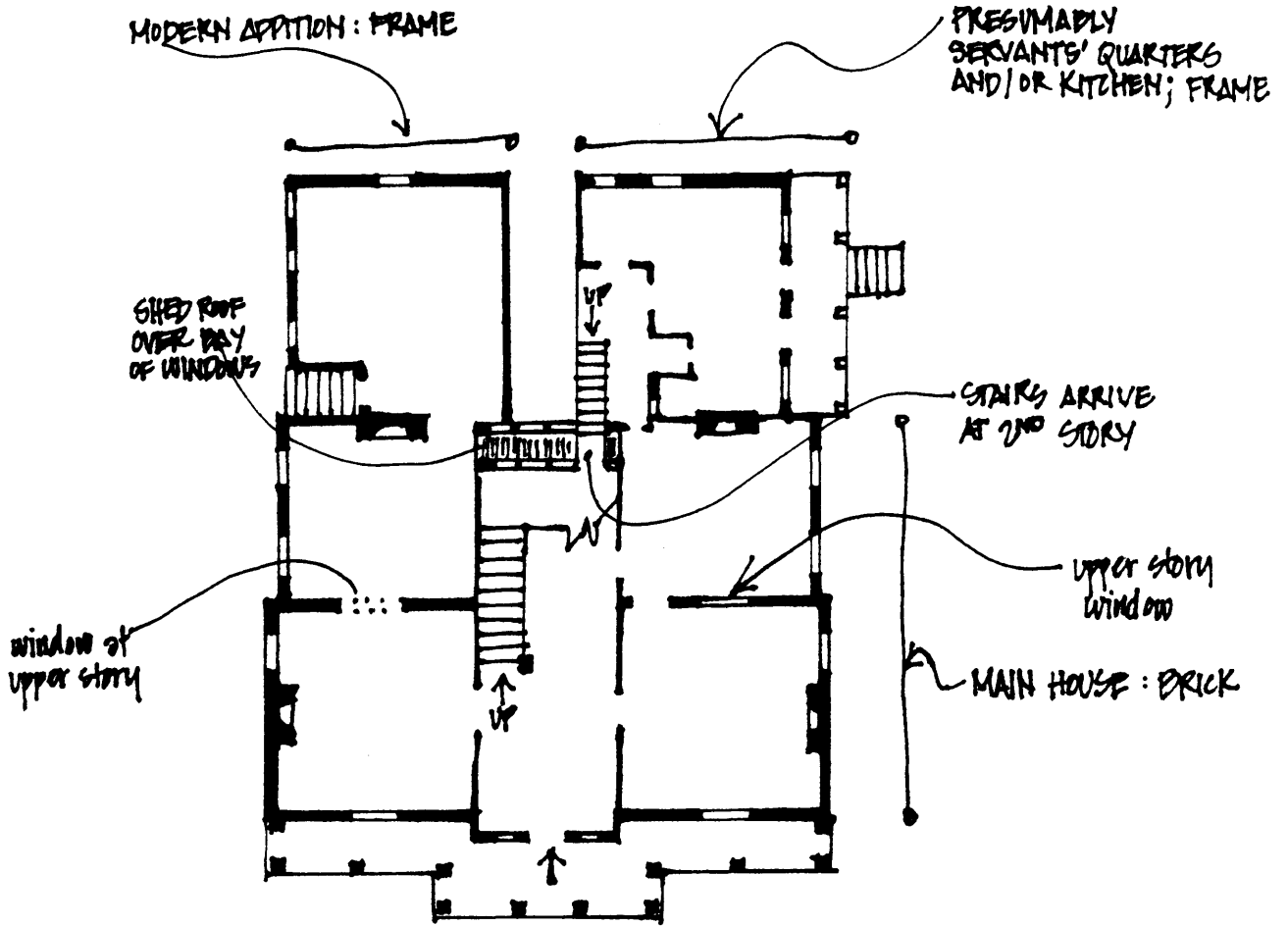
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