Historic Resources of Hardin County

Historic Name: Bland, William, House (HD-8) Common Name: Bland, William, House

Classification: Building

Owner: Mrs. Luther Gorin, Route 1, Box 208, Glendale, KY 42740

Location: Off KY 222, two and one-half miles west of Glendale, KY.

Contributing:		Non-Contributing:	
Buildings	1	Buildings	0
Structures	0	Structures	0
Sites	0	Sites	0
Total:	1	Total:	0

Description:

The William Bland House is a two-story brick, central passage plan residence constructed in 1850. The house was built with simple late Federal detailing and is distinguished by its main entrance with original three light hanging sidelights and six light transom. Other decoration includes a row of brick dentils at the roof eave. The house is of Flemish bond construction and has an original one-story rear ell. Windows are original rectangular six-over-six light sash with stone lintels. The house has a brick foundation, interior end brick chimneys and a gable roof of metal standing seam. The house was built with a detached log kitchen but the area between the house and kitchen was enclosed with frame ca. 1900. The log kitchen was also covered with weatherboard at this time. The kitchen has a limestone chimney which has been stuccoed. The interior of the house has an original staircase with a simple square newel post and square balusters. The baseboards in the hallway and rooms of the first floor have been marblelized. Doors are of two panel wood design with slightly pedimented door surrounds.

Period of Significance: 1850

Area of Significance: Architecture

Criterion: C

Architect/Builder: John Y. Hill, builder.

Statement of Significance:

The William Bland House is a notable example of a central passage ante-bellum brick residence. Constructed in 1850, the house features simple late Federal detailing. The house displays an unusual original entrance with hanging sidelights which are most often identified with the Federal style. This entrance is the only one of its kind in the county. The house was built for William Bland by John Y. Hill, a noted county builder of the early 19th century. Hill is known to have worked from 1818 until 1851 in the county and the Bland House may have been his final work. The Bland House is remarkably unaltered and there is no indication that a porch ever enclosed the main entrance. The house retains both interior and exterior original detailing.

Acreage: 1.15 acres

UTM References: Sonora Quad 16/590840/4163255

Verbal Boundary Description and Justification:

The boundary for the William Bland House is illustrated on the accompanying Hardin County property tax map 149, lot 2, and is defined by fencelines on the northwest, northeast, and southwest, and by a driveway to the southeast. The boundary is drawn to include the house and exclude modern farm buildings. The boundary is includes property sufficient to protect the historical setting of the site.

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