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Drummine Farm

# 1. Name

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2. Locat	tion					
street & number	6901 Green Val	ley Road		N//	$\underline{A}$ not for publ	lication
city, town	New Market	_X_ vicinity of	Sixth Congre	essional	District	
state	Maryland coc	ie 24 coun	ty Frederick	њ.	code	021
3. Class	ification					
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4. Owne	er of Prope	rty				
name	Mr. & Mrs. Don.	ald F. Carrett	(Karin M.)			
street & number	6901 Green Val	ley Road				
city, town	Mount Airy	$\underline{N/A}$ vicinity of		state	Maryland	21771
5. Locat	tion of Leg	al Descript	tion			
courthouse, registr	y of deeds, etc.	Frederick County	y Courthouse			
street & number		100 West Patrick	k Street			
city, town		Frederick		state	Maryland	21701
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city, town	Annapol	is		state	Maryland	21401

# 7. Description

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#### Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

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0	<u>0</u> objects	uses: agricultural, residential
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#### DESCRIPTION SUMMARY:

Drummine Farm is located off a farm lane on the eastern side of Maryland Route 75 approximately 3 miles north of the village of New Market in Frederick County, Maryland. The house and farm buildings are over half a mile from the main road in a private setting amidst old locust and maple trees, rolling pasture and cropfields. The farm consists of a circa 1790 fieldstone main house which faces south, a stone tenant house dated 1816 directly to the east of the main house, and four additional fieldstone buildings from the early 19th century: a smoke house, a water storage house, a garden outhouse and a large bank barn. There are also numerous wooden farm buildings to the east of the main house. including a calf shed and a wagon shed with corn cribs from the late 19th century, a dairy barn with 3 cement stave silos from the 1930s, several sheds and garages, and a large pole barn. The gable-roofed main house is constructed of uncoursed fieldstone and stands 21/2 stories high, 5 bays wide by one room deep, with a one-bay "flounder" kitchen wing extending to the east. The south facade is symmetrical, with a transomed central entrance flanked by 9/6 sash. A complex modillioned and dentilled cornice is found at eave level. The interior retains much Georgian influenced detailing. The house is sited within a rectangular front yard elevated from the surrounding terrain and enclosed by a five-foot stone retaining wall.

For General Description, see Continuation Sheet No. 1

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GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

Drummine Farm is located in a very private setting off a farm lane approximately three miles north of New Market on Route 75. The main house faces south with farm land stretching in all directions. The tenant house lies just 38 feet to the east of the house and a smoke house and a water storage house are situated on the eastern side of the house 20 feet away. The site of the house is elevated from the surrounding terrain and the rectangular yard is enclosed by a five-foot retaining wall. A four-foot stone wall encloses a large back yard. An aerial photograph from the 1940s shows that the entire yard area then contained a vegetable garden. At the very rear of the walled garden on the northeastern side is a stone garden outhouse.

The main house is built of uncoursed fieldstone presumably taken from the surrounding fields. It was probably constructed between 1785 and 1795, but definitely before 1798. The main block is rectangular in shape, two and half stories high, and five bays wide with a two story shed-roofed "flounder" kitchen wing sharing the front facade on the eastern side. The main block is capped with a gable roof with three dormer windows in the front and two in the back (the windows were added after 1908 in a style consistent with the original house). Beneath the gable roof on the front or southern elevation, there is an elaborate cornice with modillions and interweaving dentils. A plain cornice runs along the northern elevation. The principal windows are double-hung wooden sash with nine-over-nine lights on the first floor level and six-over-nine lights on the second floor level. The roof is covered with sheet metal (originally wooden shingles) and the roof line is pierced by two internal chimneys in the gable ends and by an internal chimney on the eastern side of the kitchen wing. A porch running the full length of the front facade of the main block was added at the end of the nineteenth century, as was a one-story frame addition perpendicular to the center of the northern elevation. While the porch, with six large wooden pillars, is of a later (Victorian) style than the original structure, its simplicity makes it compatible with the house as a whole and prevents it from detracting from the integrity of the house. Two small rectangular windows are located in the gables of the east and west elevations. In the 1970s a screened porch was added on the western side of the frame addition facing the walled garden. The main block has a full complement of louvered shutters for all the windows.

The main entrance is located in the central bay of the south facade, with a four-raised-panel door (probably dating back to the early 1900s) hung on iron strap hinges and surmounted by a three-light rectangular transom. Another entrance on the north elevation of the main block also has a fourraised-paneled door with iron strap hinges. Secondary entrances are located in the center of the south and north elevations of the kitchen wing.

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GENERAL DESCRIPTION (continued)

The interior plan consists of a wide center hall in the main block with a single large room to the west (currently the living room) and the east (currently the dining room). The east room has access to the kitchen wing, to a second floor rear bedroom via a winder stairway and to the frame addition now housing a study and a powder room.

Rising against the east partition wall of the central hall, the staircase in the main block is characterized by a closed string and triple-run with an open well, which leads to the attic. The molded handrail is carried by turned newells and ballusters. The stairs are of poplar, as is all of the flooring of the second floor. The area under the staircase on the first floor is enclosed with paneling and architrave molding. The area at the top of the well is finished with vertical boards. Decorative chair rail molding placed at the same height as the hand rail, runs along the wall of the staircase to the second floor level.

The principal decorative detailing of the interior is the architrave molding raised-six panel doors, chair rail molding and elaborate cabinetry and paneling in the west and east rooms. The west room is the most elaborately decorated in the house. On the western wall, there are arched cabinets on each side of the mantel. The double doors for each cabinet have three-raised panels and the bottom doors have a single raised panel. The recessed paneling next to the cabinets is in four tiers. There is very complex architrave molding above the cabinets and mantel. The mantel shelf is supported by consoles and a center tablet with multi-stepped reversed curve molding underneath. The fireplace, set in a projecting chimney breast, has a rectangular opening with architrave surround and rectangular overmantel. The room probably contained chair rail originally, but it has been removed. All the window and door frames have architrave trim. The original pine flooring is still exposed in the west room, whereas the same flooring has been covered with newer flooring in the hall and east room. The fireplace in the east room is similar in design to the one in the west room. On the northern side of the fireplace is a corner cabinet with glazed doors and an architrave surround. In the northwestern corner of the room are the first four steps of a winder staircase leading to the second floor. The raised six-panel door closing off the staircase is on the northern side of the corner cabinet. This room has chair rail and architrave molding surrounding the doors and windows.

The ceiling height diminishes with each of the three floors of the house: the first floor ceiling is ten feet, the second floor is nine feet and the third floor is six feet. The second floor is divided into three rooms, a master bedroom on the western side and two smaller bedrooms on the eastern side separated with vertical board partitions. A bathroom has been added directly to the south of the staircase area on the second floor level. The flooring throughout the second floor is the original poplar. The chair rail on the second floor is on the outer masonry wall only, not on the vertical board walls separating the rooms. The fireplaces in the master bedroom and



### GENERAL DESCRIPTION (continued)

in the southeast bedroom are inserted in projecting chimney breasts. Each has a simple architrave surround. The mantel shelves have reverse curve molding underneath. The windows in this room have simple architrave surrounds, as do the others on this floor. The master bedroom and the northeast bedroom have six-raised-panel doors. The master bedroom has a built-in closet with vertical board walls and board and batten doors. The southeast bedroom has access to the second floor of the kitchen wing, which now serves as a bathroom and a laundry room. This exit was probably added in the late nineteenth century. The smaller northeast room receives the winder staircase from the dining room.

The half-story is divided into two finished rooms with a small sitting area where the staircase ends. The flooring is wide-plank pine and the walls and ceilings are finished with vertical boards and tongue and groove paneling.

The kitchen wing has a single room on each level connected by a winder stairway. It has a shed roof, sloping down to the north. Although it differs from the main block in that it lacks both the exterior and interior decorative trim, it may have been built at the same time as the main block since there is no visible seam separating the main block from the kitchen in the front facade. The most significant feature of the kitchen wing is the large stone fireplace which appears to remain as originally constructed. The wooden entrance doors to the wing are quite old, possibly late nineteenth century, although wooden panels have been removed and glass inserted. The basement contains several very primitive split log benches.

#### Building Inventory:

- 1. Main house, described above.
- 2. Tenant house, uncourse fieldstone, 1816.
  - The tenant house is located southeast of the main house, 38 feet away. The facade faces west, is two stories high with a gable roof and one dormer window on the western elevation and a chimney piercing the southern slope of the roof. The main fieldstone block, measuring 24' by 18', has the date "1816" on a corner stone. The second floor joists have been exposed and the second floor retains the original wide plank flooring. A wing connected to the eastern elevation was added in the 1940s that includes a kitchen, pantry, family room and bath.
- 3. <u>Smoke house</u>, uncoursed fieldstone, circa 1820. The smoke house measures 18 by 15 feet and is located 20 feet to the east of the main house. It contains a fieldstone fireplace whose opening has been filled in.

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- 4. <u>Water storage house</u>, uncoursed fieldstone, circa 1820. The water storage house, 18 by 17 feet, is 20 feet east of the main house and 6 feet south of the smoke house. It presently shelters a cement holding tank that stores well water for household use of the main house and the tenant house.
- 5. <u>Garden outhouse</u>, uncoursed fieldstone, circa 1820. This building is at the northeast corner of the walled-in garden behind the main house. A portion of one of the walls has been dismantled and is being rebuilt.
- 6. <u>Bank barn</u>, uncoursed fieldstone and wood siding, circa 1820. The original fieldstone section is 55 by 40 feet. The barn was doubled in size with a frame addition on the eastern side probably in the late nineteenth century. The barn is a good example of heavy timber framing. The forebay on the southern elevation has been well preserved because of the addition of a pole barn alongside of the southern elevation in the 1960s. The fieldstone section of the barn has louvered wooden ventilators on every elevation.
- 7. <u>Wagon shed with corn crib and storage shed</u>, circa 1880. Wood frame, metal roof with three louvered windows on the western and eastern elevations. The wagon shed retains old pulleys with large wooden rollers to remove hay from wagons.
- 8. <u>Calf shed</u>, circa 1880. One and a half stories, heavy timber framed.
- 9. <u>Storage shed and garage</u>, circa 1900. Wooden frame with metal roofs, located south of tenant house.
- 10. <u>Dairy barn with three concrete stave silos</u>, circa 1935. Two stories, wood frame, metal roof.
- 11. <u>Dairy house</u>, circa 1935. <u>Cinderblock</u>, metal roof.
- 12. <u>Machine sheds</u>, circa 1935. Frame, with metal shed roofs.
- 13. <u>Stucco garage</u>, circa 1935. Wood paneled interior.
- 14. <u>Storage shed</u>, circa 1940 Noncontributing. At northwest corner of bank barn. Wood frame, and stucco, with metal roof.



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15. <u>Pole Barn</u>, circa 1960 - Noncontributing. Telephone poles, cement foundation, sheet metal roof and siding. Attached to the south elevation of the bank barn.

# 8. Significance

**Specific dates** c. 1772-1779

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Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

Applicable Criteria: A, C Applicable Exceptions: none Significance Evaluated: local F-5-62

#### SIGNIFICANCE SUMMARY:

The significance of Drummine Farm is derived from the architectural character of the house and dependent buildings. Drummine Farm embodies the distinctive characteristics of rural domestic architecture of the last quarter of the eighteenth century as found in the central and western portions of Maryland and adjacent south-central Pennsylvania. These characteristics include fieldstone construction, rectangular gable-roofed form, central hall floor plan and Georgian stylistic influences in exterior and interior decorative detailing. Drummine Farm is a particularly good example because it retains a high level of integrity of design, materials, workmanship, setting, location, feeling and association. Of particular note are the large scale of the structure which is unusual in the region, the complex cornice with modillions and interweaving dentils, and the outstanding interior decorative detailing including the stair and the elaborate cabinets, paneling, mantels, and trim in the first floor rooms. Further significance comes from the highly unusual placement of the kitchen wing directly alongside the more formal main block, continuous with the front facade of the house. The house retains early landscape features; it is located on an elevated site with front and rear yards enclosed by stone retaining walls. Five early stone ancillary buildings are placed in close proximity to the main house. Through its design and features, the property provides valuable insights into the lifestyle of an upper middle class farming family in Southern Frederick County in the late 18th century; 19th and early 20th century outbuildings reflect the evolution of the farm over time.

# 9. Major Bibliog phical References

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HISTORY AND SUPPORT:

The original patent for Drummine covered 668 acres and was issued to William Cumming, Sr. of Annapolis in 1748. (Liber T 1, No. 1 of 438, Hall of Records, Annapolis.) "Drummine" is thought to be a corruption of the name of a village in Scotland near Inverness - either Drummuir or Drumossie Muir - which had been used interchangeably with "Culloden" to refer to the battle of Culloden. The patent to the north and northwest of Drummine was named "Culloden." According to an unpublished monogram entitled "Drummine and William Cummings," by H. H. Hopkins and H. W. Newman, William Cumming, Sr. arrived in America in 1717 and had previously served with Scottish forces in attempting to restore a Stuart pretender to the throne of Scotland. The authors quote the poem by Robert Burns entitled "Lament for Culloden," which refers to "Drummossie Moor." The Battle of Culloden occurred in Scotland in 1745, three years before the patent was issued. William Cumming died in 1752, without apparently having constructed any substantial buildings on the land.

In 1762 Drummine was put up for sale by William Beall, the Sheriff of Frederick County, to satisfy the creditors of William Cumming's estate. The land was advertised in the August 2, 1762 issue of the Maryland Gazette, as follows:

Writ for the sale of Drummine, 668 acres, the property of the late William Cummings, taken for execution for the Commission of the Paper Currency, signed: Samuel Beall, Sheriff of Frederick County.

Drummine was sold to Basil Dorsey in 1762 for L 170 with William Cummings, Jr. retaining the option to purchase back 68 acres at a later time (Liber H, folio 527, Frederick County Land Records). The main house was probably constructed between 1785 and 1795 during the ownership of Basil Dorsey and may have been the residence of either Basil Dorsey or his eldest son Evan. While the house could have been constructed even earlier than this, the later dates are more consistent with the style of the house, its decorative trim and other features. "Drummine" is identified in the records of the 1798 Federal Direct Tax as being in District No. 4 containing the Sugarloaf and Linganore Hundreds. The owner or possessor's name was "Evan Dorsey," the buildings were identified as "large Stone House," the number of acres, "587½" Value of improvements, "150," Total value, "1021." Drummine legally passed to Evan Dorsey by will with the death of his father in 1799. (Frederick County Wills, Frederick County Court House.) Evan Dorsey was born in 1767, married Susannah West Lawrence on January 6, 1789, and had several children. Evan Dorsey's signature is inscribed underneath the main staircase with the date "1816." Other dates underneath the staircase include: "1797" in two places and the date "1832" with an illegible signature. A map of Frederick and Washington Counties prepared in 1808 by Charles Varle has a symbol of the house at the expected location with Evan Dorsey's name. The property remained in the name of Evan Dorsey until 1826 when it was sold to Christian Harding. (Frederick County Land Records, Liber JS 24, folio 390.)

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A number of the farm buildings and the frame addition to the main house were probably constructed during the ownership of the locally prominent Walker family (Charles D. and Estelle G.) between 1904 and 1944. The farm was documented during the early part of their ownership in a large 1908 photograph on canvas measuring 19" by 14". The photograph shows the main house, the tenant house, the bank barn, wagon shed, calf shed, garage and storage sheds. Livestock are shown grazing in fenced fields and members of the household are visible behind the front hedge and in the kitchen door. An aerial photograph of all the buildings of the farm probably dating from the 1940s also survives in the possession of the current owners. The property was purchased by Edward and Nelda Drake in 1948 and remained in their ownership until 1983, when it was sold to the current owners. The farm presently consists of 230 acres, 200 of which were part of the original Drummine patent.

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MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES:

Hopkins, H. Hanford and Newman Harry Wright, "Drummine and William Cummings, Esq.," unpublished manuscript, 24 pages with appendix reproducing some source material, dated May, 1977.

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Frederick County Land Records, Frederick County Court House.

Frederick County Wills, Frederick County Court House.

1798 Direct Tax Records for Central Maryland, on microfilm in C. Burr Artz Library, Frederick

Map of Frederick and Washington Counties by Charles Varle, dated 1808, reproduced by Ann Lebherz.

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GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Boundary Description: The nominated property comprises a rectangular area measuring 860' north-south by 500' east-west. The sides of this rectangle are drawn parallel to the north, east, south, and west elevations of the main house. The north boundary lies 250 feet north of the north elevation; the east boundary lies 350 feet east of the east elevation; the south boundary lies 565 feet south of the south elevation; and the west boundary lies 85 feet west of the west elevation. Boundaries are depicted on the attached sketch map.

Boundary Justification: The nominated property, approximately 10 acres, comprises the minimum acreage necessary for maintaining the historic setting of the house and other buildings. It includes all existing structures of the farm, the walled garden behind the main house, neighboring fields that have traditionally been used for small animal grazing, vegetable gardens and orchards, and several acres of pasture to the south of the barns including a small stretch of stream that passes through the farm. While the farm currently consists of 230 acres and additional fields on all sides could have been included, the topography of those fields is such that they would not add appreciably to the overall setting and their inclusion would lack compelling justification. Near the main house, the boundaries follow existing tree lines and fence rows.





