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REGISTRATION FORM

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1. Name of Property

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historic name Galloway-Walker House

other names/site number N-357

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2. Location

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street & number 107 John St. not for publication n/a
city or town Newport, Christiana Hundred vicinity n/a
state Delaware code DE county New Castle code 003
zip code 19804

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3. State/Federal Agency Certification

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As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this X nomination _____ request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property X meets _____ does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant _____ nationally _____ statewide X locally. (_____ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

[Signature] State Historic Preservation Officer 6/1/93
Signature of certifying official Date

Division of Historical and Cultural Affairs, Hall of Records, P.O. Box 1401, Dover, DE 19903
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property _____ meets _____ does not meet the National Register criteria. (_____ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of commenting or other official Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

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4. National Park Service Certification
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I, hereby certify that this property is:

- entered in the National Register Patricia Andrus 7/14/93
 ___ See continuation sheet.
- determined eligible for the
 National Register _____
- See continuation sheet.
- determined not eligible for the
 National Register _____
- removed from the National Register _____
- other (explain): _____

Signature of Keeper Date
of Action

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5. Classification
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Ownership of Property (Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property (Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property

Contributing	Noncontributing
<u> 1 </u>	<u> 0 </u> buildings
<u> 0 </u>	<u> 0 </u> sites
<u> 0 </u>	<u> 0 </u> structures
<u> 0 </u>	<u> 0 </u> objects
<u> 1 </u>	<u> 0 </u> Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

Name of related multiple property listing (Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.) Historic & Architectural Resources of Newport, DE

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6. Function or Use
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Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: DOMESTIC Sub: Single dwelling

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: DOMESTIC Sub: Single dwelling

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7. Description
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Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

Other: Vernacular Hall-Parlor Plan

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

foundation STONE
roof ASPHALT
walls BRICK
WOOD
other WOOD

Narrative Description (Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

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8. Statement of Significance
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Applicable National Register Criteria (Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations (Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

- A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B removed from its original location.
- C a birthplace or a grave.
- D a cemetery.
- E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F a commemorative property.
- G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions)

ARCHITECTURE

Period of Significance ca. 1750

Significant Dates N/A

Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

N/A

Cultural Affiliation N/A

Architect/Builder unknown

Narrative Statement of Significance (Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

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9. Major Bibliographical References
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(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS)

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested.
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

Primary Location of Additional Data

- State Historic Preservation Office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Name of repository: _____

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10. Geographical Data
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Acreeage of Property less than one acre

UTM References (Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

	Zone	Easting	Northing	Zone	Easting	Northing
1	18	447620	4395750	3	_____	_____
2	_____	_____	_____	4	_____	_____

_____ See continuation sheet.

Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

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11. Form Prepared By
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Galloway-Walker House
name of property
New Castle County, Delaware
county and State
Historic and Architectural
Resources of Newport, Delaware
name of multiple property listing

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Description:

The Galloway-Walker House is a 1½-story gambrel roofed dwelling probably constructed in the mid-18th century. It is located on the west side of South John Street, facing east. The house comprises two sections: the northern three bays represent the original period of construction; late in the nineteenth century, a full-height frame addition was constructed against the south gambrel end, extending the building to four bays.

The original section of the house is constructed of brick on a stone foundation. Numerous layers of paint make it difficult to determine the bonding pattern, but it appears to be English bond; there is a beveled water table on the east facade. A typical brick measures 8½" long, 4" wide and 2½" high; mortar joints average 5/8" wide. This section conforms to the three-bay, hall-parlor plan. On the east facade, the central entrance is flanked by large six-over-twelve sash set in heavy pegged frames with ogee backband trim. The soffit of the broad overhanging eave is sheathed with wide beaded boards. There is a shed dormer with six-over-six sash on the lower slope of the gambrel roof, approximately aligned above the southern bay of the facade. The frame addition is sheathed in narrow weatherboards with a 3½" exposure; its single facade bay holds a Victorian-period glazed door.

The west elevation of the brick section has two windows, smaller than those on the facade; one retains its original pegged frame fitted with six-over-six sash. Masonry on this elevation is laid primarily in three-course common bond.

A modern shed-roofed porch projects from the eave of the gambrel roof to span the east facade, and wraps around the north end of the building, where it is enclosed. The second story of the north end has two sash windows in reduced openings (blocked below the level of the present sills). A brick chimney exits from the peak; considerable repair and reworking are evident in this area. The roofline is defined by molded rakeboards.

The south end of the frame section has two sash windows on each level. An exterior furnace flue rises against this wall.

The interior was unavailable for examination.

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Statement of Significance:

The Galloway-Walker House is significant for its architecture, exemplifying the hall-parlor plan type which characterized the majority of middle class housing in the lower Delaware Valley (and the Delmarva peninsula generally) during the 18th century and well into the 19th.¹ Although this plan type was once common in the region, surviving examples are increasingly rare. Its form, construction, and exterior decorative detailing are consistent with a construction date in the mid-18th century, rendering it among the earliest surviving examples of the type in the region, as well as perhaps the earliest extant dwelling in Newport.

The original builder of the house is unknown. It is called the Galloway-Walker House for a 19th-century owner (Galloway), and to recognize the efforts of the present owner (Walker) to preserve the property.

¹ for a discussion of the social and temporal distribution of the hall-parlor plan type in the region, see Bernard L. Herman, Architecture and Rural Life in Central Delaware, 1700-1900. (Knoxville, TN: University of Tennessee Press, 1987), pp. 19-22.

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Major Bibliographical References:

Herman, Bernard L., Architecture and Rural Life in Central Delaware, 1700-1900.
Knoxville, TN: University of Tennessee Press, 1987.

Johnson, Ella Weldin. Story of Newport: a Square Little Town in the State of
Delaware. Wilmington, DE: Paragon Press, 1963, pp. 116-117.

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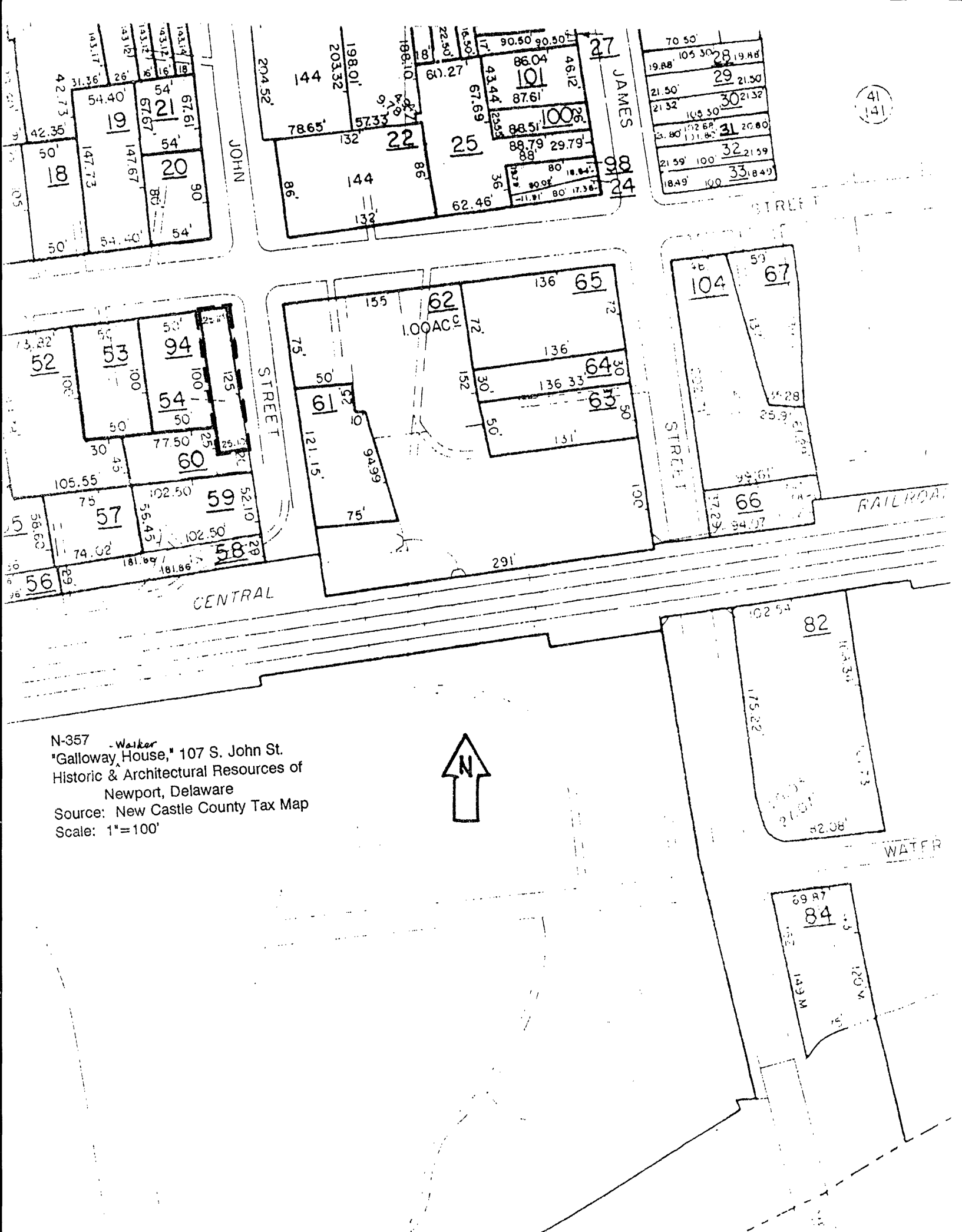
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Geographical Data:

Verbal boundary description: The nominated property includes all of that parcel designated 20-003.00-054 on the Property Map of New Castle County, Delaware, and further indicated by the broken line on the section of the property map which accompanies this nomination.

Boundary justification: The boundaries described above were selected to encompass the single town lot historically associated with the resource.



N-357 - Walker
 "Galloway House," 107 S. John St.
 Historic & Architectural Resources of
 Newport, Delaware
 Source: New Castle County Tax Map
 Scale: 1"=100'



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