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United States Department of the Interior National Park Service

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES REGISTRATION FORM



This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and dividus. See instructions in How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the upportate obs or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property		
nistoric name Houston Jr., P.D., H	ouse	
ther names/site number _Woods Côte		
2. Location		
treet & number _5617 Hillsboro Pike		not for publicationN/A
ity or townForest Hills		vicinityN/A
tateTennessee	codeTN countyDavidson	code037 zip code_37215
. State/Federal Agency Certification		
<u>Deputy State Historic Preservence</u> State or Federal agency and bu	Date 9/11/03 ration Officer, Tennessee Historical Commission areau meets does not meet the National Register criter	ia. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)
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. National Park Service Certification		/ 0
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5. Classification

Ownership of Property (Check as many boxes as apply) Categor	y of Property (Check only one box)
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 $_X_private$ ____ public-local public-State public-Federal

- _X_ building(s) district site structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property

(Do not include previously listed resources in the count).

Contributing Noncontributing

_1	_1	buildings
_0	0	sites
0	0	structures
_0	0	objects
_1	1	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 and Architectural Resources of Forest Hills"

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions) DOMESTIC

_DOMESTIC	_Single Dwelling
Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions) _DOMESTIC	_Single Dwelling
	Secondary Structure

7. Description

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions) LATE 19th & 20th CENTURY REVIVALS: Tudor Revival

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

foundation	STONE; CONCRETE
roof	STONE: slate
walls	STONE: limestone
- 41	WOOD, CTONE, DRICK
other	_WOOD; STONE; BRICK

Narrative Description

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

8. Statement of Significance

	onal Register Criteria or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property ister listing)	Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions). _ARCHITECTURE
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.	
_X 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.	Period of Significance
D	Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.	_1941
iteria Conside ark "X" in all	the boxes that apply.)	Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above) _N/A
A	owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.	Cultural Affiliation
B	removed from its original location.	
C	a birthplace or a grave.	Architect/Builder
D	a cemetery.	Architect/Binter _Architect: Warfield and Keeble Nashville, TN
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.	

Narrative Statement of Significance

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

9. Major Bibliographical References

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

Previous documentation on file (NPS) N/A

- ____ 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

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

Name of repository:

Davidson County, Tennessee County and State

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property _15.6 acres, USGS Quad: Oak Hill 308 SE

UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

	Zone	Easting	Northing	Zone	Easting	Northing
1	_16_	_514797_	_3993043_	3 _16_	_514914_	_3992773
2	_16_	_514990_	_3992977_	4 _16_	_514721_	_3992839_
	See	e continuati	on 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.)

11. Form Prepared By

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organization	Thomason and Associates	date April 23,	2003

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city or town_Nashville________state_TN_____ zip code _37212____

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative black and white photographs of the property.

Additional items

(Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)

name	Norris &	Britton	Nielsen			

street & number 5617 Hillsboro Pike telephone

city or town Forest Hills state TN zip code 37215

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_ Houston Jr., P.D., House_ name of property _Davidson County, Tennessee_ county and State

DESCRIPTION

The P.D. Houston, Jr. House is a notable example of the Tudor Revival style and retains a high degree of its original architectural character. The dwelling was constructed in 1941 and was designed by the Nashville architectural firm of Warfield and Keeble. The dwelling was constructed on a wooded suburban lot south of downtown Nashville. Now within the incorporated community of Forest Hills, the dwelling has not been significantly altered and retains much of its original plan and detailing. A circular paved driveway connects the dwelling with Hillsboro Pike and in front of the house is a broad lawn. At the rear of the dwelling is a landscaped garden and to the northeast of the house is a detached garage. Surrounding the house are numerous mature trees.

The P.D. Houston, Jr. House is a two-story stone veneer Tudor Revival style dwelling. The house has a stone and concrete foundation, gable and hipped slate roof, interior stone and brick chimneys, and an exterior of limestone veneer. On the main (south) facade is the primary entrance, which has original double doors of three-light and single-panel glass and wood design. Over the glass panels are wrought iron grilles. The main facade has a projecting polygonal bay with a conical roof. Windows are original tri-part, four-light wood sash design, four-light wood casement design, and three-light wood casement design. In the central bay of the projecting section are five-light double doors. The door and windows on the projecting bay have wrought iron railings.

On the west facade is a one-story stone veneer wing with original six-light double doors. These doors have original louvered shutters. The west facade has an original screen porch with stone piers. Leading to the porch are original double doors of six-light glass and wood design. At the rear, or north facade, is a one-story wing added in 1985 with a shed roof porch on the west facade. This porch has square wood columns. This facade has a projecting bay with twelve-light double doors. The rear, or north facade, also has a sun porch with twelve-light fixed windows.

The house was designed with an attached three-bay garage on the east elevation. This garage is attached by a large arched bay and half story above. The arched bay provides a drive-through for vehicles. Leading from the house to the drive-through bay is an original glass and wood door with leaded glass lights. The garage wing has an original hipped roof with both shed and hipped dormers, stucco and half timbering, four-light and three-light casement windows and a slate roof. The garage bays on the north facade have original glass and wood overhead track wood doors.

The interior of the dwelling retains original wood floors, and plaster walls and ceilings. The main staircase connecting the two floors is oval in shape and has wood treads and risers and a wrought iron railing with a wood handrail. Above the staircase is an original octagonal shaped skylight. Doors on the first floor are original, four-panel wood design. The living room has a triangular ceiling of exposed beams and cross tie and king post framing. This room retains its original stone Tudor Revival influenced mantel. Leading from the living room to the screen porch are original, paired six-light glass and wood doors. The library has added carpet on the floor, original built-in bookshelves, a chair rail and paneled wood walls. The second story contains four bedrooms and two bathrooms. The bedrooms retain original eight-panel wood doors with brass hardware. The kitchen was remodeled in 1985 and has added surfaces and cabinets. The servant's quarters over the garage wing have plaster walls and ceilings, carpeted floors, and two-panel doors. These rooms were remodeled through the enlargement of a bedroom and addition of a small kitchen in 1977.

To the north of the house is a small hipped roof frame garage built ca. 1970. This garage is included as a non-contributing building to the property.

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The P.D. Houston, Jr. House is eligible for the National Register of Historic Places under criterion C for its architectural significance as a notable example of the Tudor Revival style. Built in 1941, the house retains much of its original floor plan and detailing. The house has a limestone veneer exterior and features a large polygonal bay with a conical roof on the main facade, and an arched drive-thru bay, which connects the main dwelling and garage. With the exception of the addition of a one-story rear wing, the house has undergone few alterations since its construction, and it retains a high degree of its architectural integrity. The P.D. Houston, Jr. House meets the registration requirements set forth in the Multiple Property Documentation Form, "Historic and Architectural Resources of Forest Hills."

P.D. Houston, Jr. (1903-1986) was a successful Nashville banker in the early 20th century. His father, P.D. Houston, Sr., was a founder of the First American National Bank in Nashville and a well respected leader in the banking field. P.D. Houston, Jr. followed in his father's footsteps and entered the banking business. He began working for First American Bank in 1927 and swiftly moved up the corporate ladder to serve as assistant vice president in 1933 and vice president in 1938.¹

In 1936, P.D. Houston, Jr. married Elise Shwab Lindenberg, daughter of Louise Shwab and Otto Lindenberg, who owned a large estate on Hillsboro Pike known as Hunter's Hill. In 1941, Louise Lindenberg transferred a portion of her property to the newlyweds, who constructed the large two-story stone veneer Tudor Revival dwelling.² The couple named their residence "Woods Côte." The dwelling was designed by the Nashville architectural firm of Warfield and Keeble, which was in business from 1929 to 1944. This firm was headed by partners Francis Warfield and Edwin Keeble, and the firm was particularly active in the Forest Hills and Belle Meade areas during this period. Other prominent homes designed by the firm in Forest Hills include the Dr. Cobb Pilcher House and the Richard E. Martin House, both of which are significant for their architectural design. Edwin Keeble built his own dwelling in Forest Hills on nearby Stanford Drive.³

P.D. Houston, Jr. went on to become president of First American Bank in 1957. Throughout his career he also served as president of the Tennessee Bankers' Association and president of the Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce. Houston was also a founder of Nashville Memorial Hospital and a member of the State Planning Commission.⁴ Constructed in 1941, Mr. Houston's home at 5617 Hillsboro Pike has had only one other owner. Norris and Britton H. Nielsen purchased the property in 1972 and remain the current owners.⁵

¹The Nashville Tennessean, 5 June 1986.

²Warranty Deeds, Anna Compton, et. al., to Guilford and Anne Dudley, August 10, 1926, Deed Book 641, Page 210.; Guilford and Anne Dudley to Louise Shwab Lindenberg, June 3, 1935, Deed Book 972, Page 214; Louise Shwab Lindenberg to Elise L. Houston, July 1, 1941, Deed Book 1307, Page 267, (Davidson County Register of Deeds, Nashville, TN).

³Frank H. Orr, ed. *Notable Nashville Architecture 1930-1980* (Dallas, TX: Middle Tennessee Chapter, American Institute of Architects, 1989), 76.

⁴The Nashville Tennessean, 5 June 1986.

⁵Warranty Deed, Elise L. Houston to C. Norris and Britton H. Nielsen, October 2, 1972, Deed Book 4643, Page 690, (Davidson County Register of Deeds, Nashville, Tennessee).

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The P.D. Houston, Jr. House has undergone few alterations since its construction in 1941. In 1977, the interior of the servant's quarters over the garage was remodeled through the enlargement of a bedroom and the addition of a small kitchen. An addition was made to the rear of the house in 1985 consisting of a family room, gallery, and laundry. A new slate roof to replace the original slate roof was added in 1999. These changes do not detract from the dwelling's historic character and remain in keeping with its original design. The P.D. Houston, Jr. House is an excellent example of the Tudor Revival style and is eligible for the National Register under criterion C for its architectural significance.

Additional information is located in the accompanying multiple property document "Historic and Architectural Resources of Forest Hills."

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

The P.D. Houston, Jr. House occupies parcel 56 on Davidson County tax map 130-16. The lot contains 15.6 acres and is bounded on the north, west, and south by property lines, and on the east by the right-of-way of Hillsboro Pike.

VERBAL BOUNDARY JUSTIFICATION

The boundary for the P.D. Houston, Jr. House includes all property historically associated with the dwelling. The house is sited on a large wooded lot and consists of the main dwelling and non-contributing garage. No other buildings or structures are associated with the property.

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P.D. Houston, Jr. House
5617 Hillsboro Pike, Forest Hills, Davidson County, TN
Photo by: Thomason and Associates
Date: September, 2002
Negatives: Tennessee Historical Commission

Photo No. 1 of 12: Main (south) facade, view to the north.

- Photo No. 2 of 12: Main (south) facade, view to the northwest.
- Photo No. 3 of 12: Main entrance on the south facade.

Photo No. 4 of 12: West facade, view to the east.

Photo No. 5 of 12: North facade, view to the southwest.

Photo No. 6 of 12: East facade, view to the northwest.

Photo No. 7 of 12: Interior, main staircase.

Photo No. 8 of 12: Interior, skylight over the main staircase.

Photo No. 9 of 12: Interior, living room.

Photo No. 10 of 12: Interior, living room mantel.

Photo No. 11 of 12: Interior, library.

Photo No. 12 of 12: Non-contributing garage, view to northeast.

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P.D. Houston, Jr. House. 5617 Hillsboro Pike. Forest Hills, TN Davidson County Tax Map 130-16, Parcel 56.

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