UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

1. NAME

COMMON: Lieutenant Governor's Mansion
AND/OR HISTORIC: OLD GOVERNOR'S MANSION

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: 420 High Street
CITY OR TOWN: Frankfort, Kentucky

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

(District) (Building) (Site) (Structure) (Object)

OWNERSHIP

Public (Private) (Both)

STATUS

Occupied (Unoccupied) (In Process) (Being Considered) (Preservation work in progress)

ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC

Yes: Restricted (Unrestricted) No

PRESENT USE

(Agricultural) (Commercial) (Educational) (Entertainment) (Government) (Industrial) (Military) (Museum) (Religious) (Scientific) (Transportation) (Other (Specify))

Comments

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME: Commonwealth of Kentucky

STREET AND NUMBER: Capitol Building
CITY OR TOWN: Frankfort, Kentucky

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC: Kentucky Court of Appeals Deed Book MP 242, 4805

STREET AND NUMBER: Capitol Building
CITY OR TOWN: Frankfort, Kentucky

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY: Statewide Survey of Historic Places
DATE OF SURVEY: 1969

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: Kentucky Heritage Commission

STREET AND NUMBER: 401 Wapping Street
CITY OR TOWN: Frankfort, Kentucky
The Lieutenant Governor's Mansion is constructed of brick and stone, with wood trim. Georgian in style, it is composed of a first floor, second floor, with a less-adequate third floor, and basement. Stone steps lead directly from the sidewalk at street's edge. There was once a broad veranda across the front, which was oramented with wrought-iron grill work. The main hall is wide and long, with rooms on each side and a stairway leads up the left wall of the hall. The first door to the left of the hall opens into a long and wide salon-shaped room. It was and is used as the main reception room. On the right is a room, which was usually occupied as the Governor's private library and sitting room, from which the dining room was entered through a folding door. Bedrooms are on the second floor.

Fireplace walls of the reception and dining-room are paneled in the Georgian fashion.

modillions, dentils, and cornice
recessed, paneled
main entrance
attached, fluted, doric columns
support full entablature
door set inside semicircular archway
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SEE INSTRUCTIONS
The Lieutenant Governor's Mansion, official residence of 33 Kentucky Governors between 1798-1914, has been restored to the dignity and elegance of the 1800's.

Construction began in 1797 on this Georgian building. Governor James Garrard was the first to occupy it; Governor James B. McCrory was the last, when he moved to the new Governor's Mansion in 1914.

The house remained vacant nearly the entire time from 1914 to 1946, when the Kentucky Historical Society undertook management of it. After extensive restoration, the house was designated the official residence of the Commonwealth's Lieutenant Governor.

Two workmen on the construction of the house, Robert P. Letcher (bricklayer) and Thomas Metcalf (stone mason), later occupied the house as Governors of the Commonwealth.

NOW IS RESIDENCE OF LT. GOV.
The Old Governor's Mansion, pamphlet by Kentucky Department of Public Information.

### 10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

**LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY**

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**LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES**

- LATITUDE: Degrees Minutes Seconds
- LONGITUDE: Degrees Minutes Seconds

### APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: LESS THAN ONE

### LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

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### 11. FORM PREPARED BY

**NAME AND TITLE:** Charles E. Parrish, Secretary

**ORGANIZATION:** Kentucky Historic Preservation Review Board

**STREET AND NUMBER:** 401 Wapping Street

**CITY OR TOWN:** Frankfort

**STATE:** Kentucky

**DATE:** 4-20-71

### 12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

- National [ ]
- State [ ]
- Local [ ]

**Name:**

**Title:** State Liaison Officer

**Date:** April 28, 1971

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

**Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation**

**Date:** 3/11/71

**ATTEST:**

**Keeper of The National Register**