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National Park Service

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National Register of Historic Places  
Inventory—Nomination Form

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See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*  
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

**1. Name**

historic Southworth House

and/or common same as above

**2. Location**

street & number 1108 Mississippi Avenue

NA not for publication

city, town Greenwood

NA vicinity of

state Mississippi

code 28

county Leflore

code 83

**3. Classification**

<b>Category</b>	<b>Ownership</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Present Use</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	NA in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

**4. Owner of Property**

name Mrs. Fisher M. Southworth

street & number 1108 Mississippi Avenue

city, town Greenwood

NA vicinity of

state Mississippi 38930

**5. Location of Legal Description**

Office of the Chancery Clerk  
courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Leflore County Courthouse

street & number Courthouse Square

city, town Greenwood

state Mississippi 38930

**6. Representation in Existing Surveys**

title Statewide Survey of Historic Sites has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no

date 1982  federal  state  county  local

depository for survey records Mississippi Department of Archives and History

city, town Jackson

state Mississippi

## 7. Description

<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date <u>NA</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

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

The Southworth House is a two-story, three-bay, yellow brick mansion with hipped roof and wide, overhanging, bracketed eaves. A battered dormer with hipped roof is centered over the portico of the main block, from which extends a slightly recessed, southern wing with hipped roof. The easterly facade features a center-bay, flat-roof, one-story portico with full dentiled entablature sheltering the entrance doorway. The portico is supported by brick piers set in antis with round columns that are echoed on the facade by brick pilasters, in front of which are freestanding round columns. The original roof balustrade of the portico has been removed and stored until it can be repaired. The entrance doorway consists of double-leaf, multi-light, glazed doors set within matching sidelights and a multi-light transom. The center-bay second-story doorway is filled with narrower glazed doors also set within sidelights and transom. The end bays of the main block of the house are bordered with brickwork panels having stone or cement corner blocks and are filled with an arrangement of three windows having nine-over-one, double-hung sash. Two, cast-stone or cement plaques adorn the facade and are located between the first and second-story window openings. The southern, recessed wing features a first-story entrance sheltered by a bracketed shed-roof hood with three, multi-light, glazed doors set beneath a multi-light transom. The window of the wing's upper bay is filled with three casement sash set beneath a multi-light transom.

A hipped-roof garage is located at the southwestern corner of the property.

## 8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500–1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600–1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

**Specific dates** 1922

**Builder/Architect** Frank R. McGeoy

**Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)**

An eclectic early twentieth century residence, the Southworth House exhibits certain characteristics associated with the Italian Renaissance Style such as a low-pitched, hipped, tile roof; bracketed, wide overhanging eaves; and a deep classical portico with roof balustrade (now removed and stored). Constructed in 1922, the house is one of the most architecturally significant of the Greenwood buildings designed by local architect Frank R. McGeoy. A native of Memphis, Tennessee, McGeoy designed many Greenwood buildings that were constructed in the first quarter of the twentieth century, including the First Methodist Church Sunday School Building, the temple building for Congregation Ahavath Rayim, and the Wesley United Methodist Church. The integrity of the Southworth House is outstanding and includes such unusual survivals as the original wooden benches that flank the entrance doorway.

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

Miller, Mary Warren, preservation consultant with the Historic Natchez Foundation, Inspection of Southworth House, June 10, 1985.

## 10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of nominated property less than one acre

Quadrangle name Greenwood, Miss.

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

### UTM References

A 

1	5	7	6	1	3	1	0	3	7	1	1	1	3	0
Zone			Easting				Northing							

B 

Zone			Easting				Northing							

C 

Zone			Easting				Northing							

D 

Zone			Easting				Northing							

E 

Zone			Easting				Northing							

F 

Zone			Easting				Northing							

G 

Zone			Easting				Northing							

H 

Zone			Easting				Northing							

### Verbal boundary description and justification

Lots 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, and 12 of block 82 of the Henry Addition of the City of Greenwood. The property is bounded on the east by Mississippi Avenue and on the south by Alabama Street.

### List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state NA code county code

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## 11. Form Prepared By

name/title Mary Warren Miller/preservation consultant

organization Historic Natchez Foundation

date June 10, 1985

street & number P. O. Box 1761

telephone (601) 442-2500

city or town Natchez

state Mississippi 39120

## 12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national  state  local

As the designated State Historic Preservation 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.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

*Kenneth H. P. Pool*

title Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

date September 25, 1985

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

*See continuation sheet for listing*

date

Keeper of the National Register

Attest:

date

Chief of Registration