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## TENNESSEE MULTIPLE PROPERTY FORM

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Title: Historic Resources of Williamson County

Historic Name: Critz, Thomas L., House (WM-344)

Common Name: Critz, Thomas L., House

Classification: Building

Owner: Thomas Evans, 19th Floor, Third National Bank, Nashville, "N 37219

Location: On Critz Lane one mile east of Columbia Pike (HWY 31).

Contributing:		Non-Contributing:		
Buildings	1	Buildings	0	•
Structures	0	Structures	1	
Sites	0	Sites	0	
Total:	1	Total:	1	

## Description:

The Thomas Critz House is a two-story frame Italianate residence constructed ca. 1887 and built in a central passage, ell plan. On the main (north) facade is a one-story porch with square chamfered columns and connecting vergeboard arching. Beneath the porch and roof eaves are paired brackets. The main entrance has an original six panel frame and glass door with a single light transom. Above the transom is a pedimented cornice. Windows are original six-over-six sash with pedimented cornices.

The house has weatherboard siding, a stone foundation, exterior brick chimneys and a hipped roof of composition shingles. At the rear of the house is an original one-story wing and added ca. 1910 one-story wing. Windows on the rear facade of the ell are six-over-six sash but lack the pedimented cornices of the main facades. The interior of the house is inaccessible but according to the owner retains original Greek Revival influenced mantels and an elaborate Italianate staircase with newel post and turned balusters. At the rear of the house is a one-story frame non-contributing board and batten shed built ca. 1920. The house sits on a hill in a rural area and retains its original site and setting.

Period of Significance: ca. 1887, ca.1910

Area of Significance: Architecture

Criterion: C

Architect/Builder: Unknown

## Statement of Significance:

The Thomas Critz House is a notable example of a frame Italianate residence of the late 19th century. The house displays its original form and details such as original pedimented doors and windows and eave brackets. With the exception of a small rear addition the house is unaltered and is one of the best examples of the Italianate style in the county. The house is located on a hill and retains its prominent site and setting.

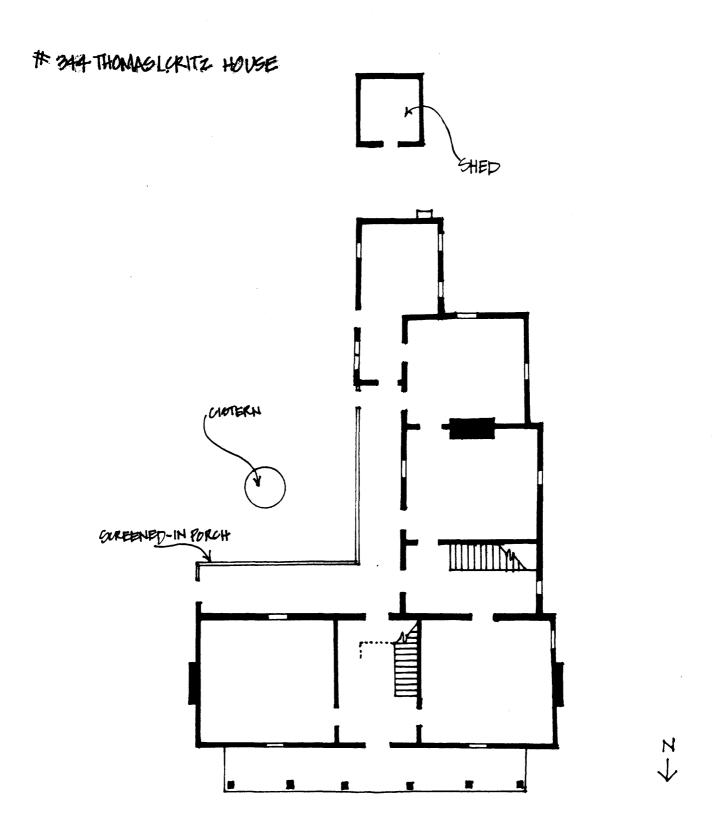
Thomas Critz purchased this property in 1874 and constructed this large two-story house ca. 1887. The house was built with Italianate designs on the eaves, porch and interior details. The Critz family operated a large farm and it remained in the Critz family well into the 20th century. With the exception of a small one-story rear addition added in 1900, few changes have occurred to the structure.

Acreage: 5.9 acres

UTM References: Spring Hill Quad/16/510780/3962750

Verbal Boundary and Justification: The boundary of the Thomas Critz House is illustrated on accompanying Williamson County tax map # 145, lot 6. The boundary is defined by wire fences on the east, west and south and by Critz Lane on the north. The boundary includes sufficient property to protect the historical setting of the site.

Supplemental Bibliographical References:



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