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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

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## NATIONAL REGISTER

REGISTRATION FORM
This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. 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 appropriate box 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
historic nameStone, George W., House other names/site number _CE-4
2. Location
street & number _Rte. 80 not for publication _NA city or town _Millburn vicinity _NA state _Kentucky code _KY_ county _Carlisle code 237 zip code _42070
3. State/Federal Agency Certification
As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this 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 meets does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide locally. ( See continuation sheet for additional comments.) David L. Morgan, Executive Director/State Historic Preservation Officer Signature of certifying official Date Kentucky Heritage Council/State Historic Preservation Office
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

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4. National Park Service Certification		
<pre>I, hereby certify that this property is:</pre>	Entered in the National Register	_3/17/94
B	Signature of Keeper	Date of Action
<pre>====================================</pre>		
Ownership of Property (Check as many boxe x_ private public-local public-State public-Federal	es as apply)	

Category of Property (Check only one box) \_x\_ building(s) \_\_\_\_ district \_\_\_\_ site \_\_\_\_ structure \_\_\_\_ object

Number of Resources within Property

Contributing	Noncontributing
_1	buildings
	sites
	structures
	objects
_1	_0 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.) \_N/A\_\_\_\_

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6. Funct	tion or Use	
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7. Descr		
Architec	ectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions) Mid-19th Century Other: Creole Cottage	
	als (Enter categories from instructions)	
r	foundation _Brick roofAsphalt	
W	wallsWeatherboard Plywood/particle board	
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other \_\_\_\_\_Chimneys: brick\_\_\_\_\_

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

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.
- \_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.
- \_\_\_\_ 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. 1858-1881\_\_\_\_\_

Significant Dates \_1858\_\_\_\_

Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

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
(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 _xOther State agency Federal agency _x_Local government University Other
Name of repository: State Library and Archives
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Acreage of Property _Less than 1 acre
UTM References (Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)
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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.)
name/titleWilliam J. Macintire, Survey Coordinator
organizationKentucky Heritage Council date2/16/93
street & number_300 Washington Street telephone (502) 564-7005
city or town_Frankfortstate_KY_ zip code _40601

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#### 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

street & number\_\_\_\_\_\_ telephone\_\_\_\_\_

city or town\_\_\_\_\_\_ state\_KY\_\_\_ zip code \_\_\_\_\_

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Description	

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Constructed circa 1858, The George Stone house (CA-4) is a 1 and 1/2 story log house with a two-room plan and a gable roof running parallel to the front. The house faces north. The front porch is sheltered under the unbroken sweep of the main roof and supported by 5 square wood columns. A long ell extend to the rear. The nominated acreage consists of 1.358 acres, including the house and the surrounding lot.

The front facade under the porch has three openings - two doors and a window (see figure 1, floor plan). The left door currently, and probably historically, serves as the primary entry, as it leads directly into the smaller, but more formal (see discussion of the interiors below) of the two main rooms. The right hand door enters into the larger hall, which is also lit by the front window. This window, like the other first floor windows, is the original 6/6 double hung sash.

A long ell extends to the rear of the house. Based on the evidence of stone foundation blocks under the ell some 10 feet behind the main house, it is probable that this ell began as a separate kitchen behind the house, perhaps joined at one time by a covered walkway. Based on construction details, the kitchen section of the ell probably dates to a period soon after the construction of the main house (10-15 years), and the connection either to the same period or soon thereafter. The house appears to have attained its current floor plan at least by the 1870's.

The ell is entered either through the east room or from an exterior door along the side of the building. It contains 3 rooms, a small bedroom adjoining a hall directly behind the main house, a large kitchen, and another bedroom at the back of the house. Architectural trim and windows in the ell are mostly of mid-nineteenth-century character, and simple in form.

Each of the rooms in the earliest part of the house is served by a fireplace: the chimneys are situated at either end of the house. The east chimney is constructed in common bond of hand-made bricks. The chimney on the west end of the house has fallen, and remains in place to a height just above the mantle. Prior to its falling, it had already been rebuilt into a smaller firebox. The west room may have originally served as a kitchen, prior to the construction of the ell.

The second floor in the main house consists of two rooms separated by a board wall. Neither has a fireplace, although both may have originally. The original railing survives at the top of the stairs, and the small windows on either side of the chimneys in the gable ends appear to be original.

#### Integrity

As originally built, it is possible that the Stone house had exposed logs on the exterior, but it was covered very early on with sawn horizontal weatherboard. The original weatherboards remain exposed on the front facade, and on the original back exterior wall now protected by a screen porch. The sides of the house have

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been covered with a vertical particle board siding, painted white. The original weatherboards survive under this siding. The roof has also been covered with a modern material, asphalt tile, and there is evidence that early wood shingles survive underneath.

Although this house has had some loss of integrity of materials, it retains enough of its original appearance to retain integrity of design. In fact, most of the original materials survive, protected from the elements by more modern materials above. From the front, its historic appearance is substantially intact, and its architectural significance as an important example of the cultural intermingling of Creole and central Kentucky building traditions is still apparent. The essential elements of the architectural type, Creole Cottage, relate to overall form more than to details such as exterior materials, particularly in the context of Kentucky, where the form is realized in materials and techniques common to Kentucky architecture, rather than the more typical ones of Creole construction (eg, "poteaux sur solle," or vertical log construction). Our ability to perceive this structure as having a formal relationship to Creole architecture of the lower Mississippi Valley comes from the perception of the house's overall form rather than the details, which are the typical construction details of a mid-century Kentucky log house, rather than the elaborate ones of a structure architecturally significant as an artistic statement.

The interior of the house retains many of its historic features. In the east room, the one entered through the primary door, is a fireplace surmounted by a simple, handsome mantle, and an enclosed stairway with a small closet underneath. The stair has its original batten door. To the left of the fireplace there is a window. On the wall opposite the entry, a door opens to the rear ell, and on the wall to the right, the center wall, a door leads to the larger west room. The center wall is apparently an interior log wall, covered with lath and plaster. The West room is larger, nearly square in plan, and has a plainer mantle than the East room.

The large majority of changes to the building occurred within the historic period, and provide a document of the house's continuing adaptation to changing needs through history. The addition of the kitchen, modern plumbing, electricity, insulation, porch, enclosure of fireplaces, and addition of new heating all attest to rising standards of comfort and convenience. The retention of original windows, form, and the great majority of interior woodwork through all these other alterations attest to the quality of the original design and construction.

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Statement of Significance

The George Stone House is eligible for the National Register under Criterion C for its significance as a vernacular architectural form, the Creole Cottage, as it was adapted in Kentucky. The Stone house is also architecturally significant for its importance as a document of the architectural development of the town of Milburne in particular, and the western most counties of Kentucky in general. It is the earliest building known in the town of Milburne, one of the first settled towns in Carlisle County, and one of a handful of antebellum structures still standing in the Purchase region. George Washington Stone was not a member of the first wave of settlers in the Jackson purchase, those who first cleared tracts of land and erected temporary dwellings in the 1830's-40's, but he arrived soon after, leaving what must have been a more comfortable existence in Woodford county for the promises of the newly settled frontier. According to family history, he transported most of his possessions on a flatboat down the Kentucky, Ohio and Mississippi rivers, while moving himself and his family overland, arriving around 1857. Family stories also suggest that he began with a single room log cabin, which he quickly replaced or enlarged into the current dwelling. The Stone house is representative of the first wave of permanent dwellings in Milburne.

### The Creole Cottage in Kentucky, 1840-1920

This house form, characterized by its porch situated under the front of a steep side gable roof, is not common in Kentucky, but a small concentration is located along the Mississippi River in the Purchase region. The number of houses with this form in Carlisle county is not known, since the county has not been surveyed.

One other known house of this form is located within the community of Milburn less than a mile from the Stone house. It is constructed of frame, and may be significant as a late example of the form, as it is apparent that it was constructed after 1900. The neighboring county of Ballard, from which Carlisle county was divided in 1886, was comprehensively surveyed in 1977.

In that survey 3 houses of this form were located, and tentatively identified as Creole cottages. Of those three, two have central chimneys and a floor plan similar to the saddlebag type. None of the three are constructed of log. One of them, the Ashbrook house (BA-63) may be contemporary with the Stone house. The other two are post Civil-War, and in a state of decay that would probably render them ineligible for anything other than archaeological significance. The Ashbrook house is still occupied, and in fair condition. With its central chimney plan, it can be considered a purer form of Creole Cottage, although the most characteristic expression of the form would also have a double pile, two-room deep plan. It is probably eligible as well, but for reasons discussed below, the Stone house's further departure from a "pure" form can be seen as part of its significance.

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Statement of Significance, cont.

Earlier architectural historians were somewhat surprised to find Creole Cottages in Western Kentucky, but their existence parallels the cultural transmission of another lower Mississippi river area vernacular housing form, the Shotgun house. Perhaps due to its adaptability to crowded urban settings, the Shotgun house proliferated in towns along the rivers, especially in Louisville, far outstripping the Creole Cottage in popularity. The Shotgun may also have been more popular due to its association with African Americans, who migrated to the north in far larger numbers than the French immigrants associated with the Creole Cottage form. The latter house is also less adaptable to narrow urban lots. The Creole house apparently never became especially popular in Kentucky. Its significance lies less in the influence of Creole housing traditions on Kentucky's housing stock, than in the fact of its existence documenting a cultural transmission. Preservation of the few remaining Creole cottages in Kentucky celebrates a rich cultural history.

George Stone migrated to Milburn from Woodford County. He was not a native of the lower Mississippi Valley, and probably had not seen a Creole Cottage prior to his arrival in Carlisle County. His builders, however, probably were of Creole origin, or were trained by Creole builders. Taking Stone's contract (possibly an oral contract) for a two-room house, they built a Creole style house with a hallparlor plan unusual to Creole architecture, where two-room depth and central chimneys are more common in the built-in porch house type. In this way the Creole house was further "creolized," that is, more culturally mixed, in Kentucky. The Stone house is an important example of the ways that regional American Vernacular architectural forms emerged from a dialogue between interacting cultures. The research on this one house suggests exciting prospects for future work in the Purchase Region Cultural Landscape. Given that the region lies on the major transportation routes of the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers, its architecture should reflect the interaction of very different American regional cultures.

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#### Verbal Boundary Description

The nominated property includes the house and its surrounding lot of 1.358 acres as delineated on the attached plat.

#### Verbal Boundary Justification

The acreage included in the nomination is historically associated with the house, and of sufficient size the ensure open views toward the building. The wedgeshaped back lot of 4.79 acres behind the house is also historically associated with the building (see figure 2), but has not been evaluated for the purposes of this nomination.

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Figure 1 Floor plan of the George Stone House. Scale in Feet.

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Figure 2 1882 Plat for expansion of Milburne. Stone House is the "Old Residence" at lower left. Source: Ballard County Plat Book A.

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### <u>Photo List</u>

All photographs were taken by William J. Macintire on June 11, 1993. Negatives are stored at the Kentucky Heritage Council, Frankfort, Kentucky.

### Photo # Description

1	North facade, looking south.
2	Northwest corner, looking southeast.
3	East facade, looking west.
4	View of stair and batten door in northeast room, looking east.
5	View of typical 6/6 window and weatherboard siding on southwest porch (originally exterior), looking north.



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