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Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

Inventory No. PG: 67-022-05

1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic Judge-White House
other

2. Location

street and number 5622 Ruatan Street ___ not for publication
city, town Berwyn Heights ___ vicinity
county Prince George's

3. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Ralph O. and Elizabeth K. Dubayah
street and number 5622 Ruatan Street telephone
city, town Berwyn Heights state MD zip code 20740-4312

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Prince George's County Courthouse liber 12082 folio 585
city, town Upper Marlboro tax map 33 tax parcel 29, 30 tax ID number 21 2304806

5. Primary Location of Additional Data

___ Contributing Resource in National Register District
___ Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
___ Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
___ Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
___ Recorded by HABS/HAER
___ Historic Structure Report or Research Report at MHT
___ Other: _____

6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function	Resource Count
___ district	___ public	___ agriculture	Contributing
<u>X</u> building(s)	<u>X</u> private	___ landscape	Noncontributing
___ structure	___ both	___ commerce/trade	<u>1</u> buildings
___ site		___ defense	___ sites
___ object		<u>X</u> domestic	___ structures
		___ education	___ objects
		___ funerary	<u>1</u> Total
		___ government	
		___ health care	
		___ industry	
		___ recreation/culture	
		___ religion	
		___ social	
		___ transportation	
		___ work in progress	
		___ unknown	
		___ vacant/not in use	
		___ other:	

Number of Contributing Resources
previously listed in the Inventory
0

7. Description

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Condition

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> altered

Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Judge-White House is located at 5622 Ruatan Street in Berwyn Heights, Maryland. This single-family dwelling is sited on a level, grassy suburban lot that includes mature trees and shrubs. Additionally, wooden fencing, gravel walkways and paths, and foundation plantings contribute to this planned landscape. The Judge-White House is situated on the north side of Ruatan Street, where the building lots are primarily narrow and deep. The gravel drive parallels the east (side) elevation of the dwelling, leading through a wooden gate to a garage.

DWELLING

The Judge-White House was constructed c. 1890 with a one-story wing located on the north (rear) elevation. The two-story, three-bay single-family dwelling, like many others in Berwyn Heights, was influenced by the Queen Anne style. Set on a solid, parged foundation, this wood-frame structure has been reclad in cedar-shake shingles. A steeply pitched cross-gable roof of asphalt shingles is finished with cornice returns, a cyma recta molded wood cornice, and overhanging eaves. A single row of cedar-shake shingles runs below the overhanging cornice, further accentuating the roofline. The cornice is broken on the west and east (side) elevations by shed-roofed wall dormers in the southernmost bays. The face of the dormers has been reclad in cedar-shake shingles. The wall dormers contain a 4/4 fixed wood-sash window. According to the current owner, the wall dormers once held a round window opening. An interior-end brick chimney pierces the west slope of the north (rear) elevation of the main block. All of the window openings contain wood sash set in a square-edge wood surround.

The façade (south elevation) features three symmetrically placed openings on both the first and second stories. The first story contains three openings that are identical in height and width. The westernmost bay serves as the main entry, containing a single-leaf wood door (replacement) pierced by an elliptical light. The entry has a square-edge wood surround and a one-light wood transom. The transom features bead-and-reel molding on the lintel. The central and easternmost bays of the first story contain double-leaf French doors with two lights each. Each opening, originally double-hung window openings, has a square-edge wood surround and a one-light wood transom. The transoms are identical to the one found over the principal entry. Metal-frame storm doors with one light protect each entry. The westernmost bay on the second story features a round-arched opening containing a tripartite window composed of a 2/2, double-hung, wood sash flanked by one-light fixed wood windows. The central and easternmost bays contain 2/2, double-hung, wood-sash windows with square-edge wood surrounds. A one-story, two-bay (full-width) porch, which is not the original porch, stretches across the façade of the dwelling, sheltering the first story. Constructed c. 1985 according to the current property owner, the porch is set on a wood pier foundation and has a half-hip roof of asphalt shingles supported by turned wood posts. The porch is accessed via poured concrete steps in the western bay. Square wood balusters and knee brackets complete the porch.

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The east (side) elevation features three window openings on the first and second stories. Each window opening contains a 2/2, double-hung, wood sash with a square-edge wood surround. The second-story window openings are slight shorter in length than the elongated first-story window openings.

The first story of the west (side) elevation is pierced in the northernmost bays by two 2/2, double-hung, wood-sash windows. The southernmost bay has a square opening containing a fixed round window with four lights. Directly above this window on the second story is a 2/2, double-hung, wood-sash window. The upper gable end contains a 2/2, double-hung, wood-sash window. All these windows have square-edge wood surrounds.

A one-story, two-bay wing is located on the north (rear) elevation of the main block. The wing, which is original, has been reclad in cedar-shake shingles. The wing is set on a solid parged foundation and is capped by a front-gable roof of asphalt shingles. The east and west elevations each have one window opening containing a 3/3, double-hung, wood sash with a square-edged wood surround. The westernmost bay of the rear elevation contains a 1/1, double-hung, wood-sash window with a square-edge wood surround. The easternmost bay on the rear elevation contains a single-leaf paneled wood door with nine lights and a square-edge wood surround. The door opens onto a raised wood deck with square wood balusters. The deck, added in the late twentieth century, is set on a wood post foundation that has been infilled with wood lattice. The only fenestration on the rear (north) elevation of the main block is in the upper gable end where a small off-centered 1/1, double-hung, vinyl-sash window is located.

GARAGE

This garage is located east of the dwelling. Based on information from the current homeowner, this resource was constructed c. 1990. The wood-frame garage is clad with cedar shingles and is set on a solid, concrete-block foundation that is parged. A side-gable roof covered with asphalt shingles features overhanging boxed eaves. A skylight is located on the western slope of the roof. The northernmost bay of the façade (west elevation) contains a single-leaf wood door. The central and southern bays each contain a roll-up paneled wood door. The upper gable end of the north (side) elevation is pierced by two, 6/1, double-hung, wood-sash windows set in a square-edge wood surround. A small stained-glass window is centrally located above. The upper gable end of the south (side) elevation contains paired, 1/1, double-hung, vinyl-sash windows set in a narrow, square-edge wood surround. A small stained-glass window is located above. The east (rear) elevation of the garage was not accessible.

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INTEGRITY

The Judge-White House maintains a moderate level of integrity of design, workmanship, and materials. The building, which still retains its original form and most of the double-hung wood-sash windows, has been reclad in cedar-shake shingles, the first-story windows of the façade have been replaced by double-leaf entry openings with French doors, and the front porch has been replaced. The building maintains a high level of integrity of feeling, location, setting, and association due to its association with the first phase of development of Berwyn Heights. This resource is a good example of the early buildings constructed in this community.

The garage, based on its recent construction date (c. 1990), is considered a non-contributing resource.

Overall, the Judge-White House maintains a moderate level of integrity.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment/ recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 2000-	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> social history
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning		<input type="checkbox"/> maritime history	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation		<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other: <u>Local History</u>

Specific dates	c. 1890	Architect/Builder	Unknown
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Construction dates	c. 1890
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Evaluation for:

<input type="checkbox"/> National Register	<input type="checkbox"/> Maryland Register	<input type="checkbox"/> not evaluated
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Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance projects, complete evaluation on a DOE Form – see manual.)

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Judge-White House was constructed c. 1890 at 5622 Ruatan Street in Berwyn Heights, Maryland. Berwyn Heights, a late-nineteenth-century railroad suburb, was intended for middle-class residents who commuted daily to Washington, DC. This resource, an example of a Queen Anne style, is one of the original single-family dwellings constructed in this community during its first phase of development, which occurred in the late nineteenth century with the establishment of Charlton Heights (now known as Berwyn Heights). The Judge-White House was most likely constructed c. 1890 by the Charlton Heights Improvement Company prior to being sold to John B. Wright in 1893. The few years that precede the sale of the property to Wright suggest that the dwelling was rented, most likely because an immediate buyer was not forthcoming. The Judge family owned the house for thirteen years, utilizing it as rental property. The White family owned and occupied the house from 1946 until 1965. Together, these two families represent the two longest spans of ownership of the Judge-White House. Ralph O. Dubayah and Elizabeth K. Dubayah, the current owners, have occupied this property since 1998. The Judge-White House has maintained sufficient integrity to convey its significance as a late-nineteenth-century dwelling constructed in the town of Berwyn Heights.

HISTORIC CONTEXT

The Judge-White House is located in present-day Berwyn Heights, which was subdivided by Edward Graves. In 1887, Edward Graves of Washington, DC, purchased 393-acres between Branchville Road and the Baltimore & Ohio (B&O) Railroad. He hired the firm Newby and Howell to survey and plat a subdivision on his newly acquired land.¹ Graves sold most of the land in 1888 to the Charlton Heights Improvement Company, of which he was an incorporator, along with his uncle, Benjamin Charlton, as well as C.C. Ducanson, J.G. Waugh, George Gibson, and R.M. Johnson.² The company began construction of mail-order pattern houses in what had been platted as Charlton Heights, present-day Berwyn Heights.³ Within the year, the company had almost twenty houses completed. Quickly becoming a popular suburb, Charlton Heights was heavily promoted as a “modern suburban town of the United States,” a “beautiful suburban retreat” and

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an “earthly paradise” with easy access to the District of Columbia via a new Baltimore & Ohio Railroad station.⁴ By 1890, Charlton Heights contained a population of “some of the leading people in every walk of life in this vicinity,” who “owing to the number of trains daily, affording quick and easy transportation to the city of Washington...generally experience no difficulty in reaching their desks in good time for any work they may be called upon to perform and for this reason they never tire in sounding the praises of Charlton Heights as a desirable place of residence.”⁵ In 1896, by an act of the Maryland General Assembly, the town was incorporated as Berwyn Heights.⁶ A two-block concentration of dwellings from the first phase of development remains along Ruatan Street (formerly Keleher Avenue), between Berwyn Road and 60th Avenue; the Judge-White House is one of the oldest houses in the subdivision. Four of the oldest houses were constructed from mail-order plans with specifications produced by R. W. Shoppells’ Cooperative Building Plan Association of New York City.⁷ A second phase of construction occurred in the 1920s, followed by the final period of development in the post-World War II years.

Edward Graves, a nephew of Benjamin Charlton, was born in Hancock, Maryland, in 1844.⁸ A well-respected businessman in Washington DC, he served as president of the Havenner Baking Company, director of the National Bank in Washington and of the Norfolk and Washington Steamboat Company, as well as a member of the Board of Trade. Five years after platting Charlton Heights, Edward Graves and his first wife Avis, conveyed the property at 5622 Ruatan Street to John B. Wright of Washington, DC. Wright purchased “all of Lots numbered thirty (30), thirty-one (31), thirty-two (32) and thirty-three (33) in block numbered seven (7) in Edward Graves’ subdivision of the tract of land now known as Charlton Heights,” for a sum of \$6,600.⁹ Given the purchase price, it can be assumed that a building was sited on this property at this time. No information regarding John B. Wright could be located.

In 1902, John and Anna K. Wright conveyed lots 30 and 31 to Charles Shepard of Washington, DC.¹⁰ Shepard was born in New York in 1857. He is listed in the 1910 U.S. Federal Census as a real estate broker living with his four children (Jessemire W., Philip W., Donald D., and Hugh D.) and his wife, Florence, who was a native of Maryland.¹¹ Like many of the neighboring property owners, Shepard appears to have utilized the Berwyn Heights property for rental purposes and never actually lived in the house.

In 1904, Charles Shepard conveyed the property to Daniel B. and Mamie Smoot of Prince George’s County, Maryland.¹² Daniel Smoot, born in 1865 in Maryland, was listed as a farmer in the 1910 census. He was living with his five children and wife, Mamie (of German-descent and born in 1874 in Washington, D.C.) in Prince George’s County, Maryland.¹³ By the time of the 1920 U.S. Federal Census, the Smoots were living in Washington, DC. Daniel Smoot, who worked as a survey agent, also used the property on Ruatan Street in Berwyn Heights as rental property.¹⁴

In 1906, Smoot sold the property to Eva M. Judge of Washington, DC.¹⁵ Born in 1877 in Pennsylvania, Judge was living with her husband, Albert F. Judge, and their daughter, Adrienne, in Prince George’s County

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at the time of the 1910 U.S. Federal Census. Albert Judge, also of Pennsylvania (born in 1878), worked as a pressman in a printing office.¹⁶ After selling the Berwyn Heights property in 1920, Eva Judge was living in Washington, DC, renting a house while working as a government clerk.¹⁷

Eva M. and Albert F. Judge conveyed lots 30 and 31 to Clayton G. Birch of Prince George's County in 1918. Clayton Birch, born in 1888 in Washington, DC, worked as a firefighter. He was married to Myrtle I. Birch of Virginia.¹⁸ Later on in life, Birch worked at the Department of the Interior as a purchase order clerk. He was a member of the fraternal order of the Woodmen of the World.¹⁹ The rental property at 5622 Ruatan Street passed to Eva M. Judge once again in 1919, possibly because of a default in the mortgage. Judge and her husband retained the property for another month before conveying it to Edward Donaldson of Washington, DC. in April 1919. Donaldson and his wife, Florence M. Donaldson, owned the property for nine years and are believed to have been the first owner-occupants. During this time, Donaldson served as chairman of the first elected board of town commissioners for the newly incorporated town of Berwyn Heights.²⁰

In 1928, Edward Donaldson, now living in Baltimore, conveyed the property to John G. Hall of Berwyn.²¹ Hall, born in 1882 in Maryland, was living in Berwyn Heights at the time of the 1930 census, which noted he was working as a road construction contractor. His home was valued at \$5,000, which was comparable to the surrounding dwellings of Berwyn Heights.²² Hall held the property until 1930, at which time it was conveyed to Dr. Jesse Baldwin Rutherford and Marion U. Rutherford.²³

Rutherford, born in 1857 in Philadelphia, was a physician for 45 years. He graduated from Columbian College (now George Washington University) Dental School. After graduating, Rutherford completed his internship at Children's Hospital while studying for a degree in medicine.²⁴ Before moving to Berwyn Heights, the Rutherfords resided in Ocean View, Virginia, a small community in Norfolk with several miles of shoreline on the Chesapeake Bay. In 1915, Dr. Rutherford was employed at Marton Salon Cosmetiques located at 209-210 Keno's Building, at the corner of 11th and G Streets, NW in Washington, DC. According to the company's advertisements in the *Washington Post*, Rutherford focused on facial corrections of all kinds, the treatment of skin diseases, and removal of undesirable hair.²⁵ In 1929, (prior to owning the Berwyn Heights property) while living at 1437 Spring Road, NW, Rutherford was brought before a grand jury in a murder case. The doctor was accused of performing an illegal operation on a pregnant 21-year-old woman. Rutherford testified that he had given the woman some electrical treatments, but denied knowing his patient was an expectant mother.²⁶ Presumably, Rutherford was found not guilty as one year later he and his wife purchased the Judge-White House in Berwyn Heights. In 1933, the Rutherfords also purchased the Yoos House (PG: 67-022-08), located at 5703 Seminole Street in Berwyn Heights.

In 1941, Dr. Jesse Baldwin Rutherford, now a widower (Marion died on May 22, 1938) conveyed the Judge-White House to Rembert Paul Brooks and Martha Pope Brooks.²⁷ The property was still subject to a balance

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due on the mortgage from Edward Donaldson to the Prince George's Bank, dated February 10, 1927.²⁸ No information regarding the Brooks was located. The Brooks conveyed the property two years later to James M. Presgraves and Joseph C. Cherry, both of Washington, DC, in September 1943.²⁹ Presgraves, born 1886 in Virginia, was listed in the 1920 and 1930 censuses as a postal office clerk. He and his wife, Margaret L. Presgraves, lived with their two children in Washington, DC.³⁰ The Presgraves conveyed their stake in the property to Joseph C. Cherry in 1944.³¹ Cherry was born in 1895 in Pennsylvania. A U.S. Census Bureau clerk, he lived with his wife, Marie, and their two sons (Paul H. and Edward C.) in Berwyn in 1930.³² Cherry sold the property on Ruatan Street to Martin U. White and Anna J. White of Berwyn, Maryland, in 1946.³³ No information regarding the Whites could be located; however, they were responsible for purchasing a portion of neighboring lot numbered 29 in 1959.³⁴ This portion of lot 29 is still associated with the property today.

The Whites retained the property for almost twenty years, which is the longest span of single ownership attributed to the Judge-White House. Unlike the Judge family and many of the subsequent owners, the Whites lived in the house on Ruatan Street during their tenure. They conveyed the property in 1965 to Ralph E. and Janet B. Christie in July 1965.³⁵ No information regarding Ralph E. Christie and Janet B. Christie could be located.

The property changed hands several times during the next twenty-three years. In March 1998, Claudia A. Brand and her husband, Kingsbury Brown, III, conveyed the property to Ralph O. Dubayah and Elizabeth K. Dubayah. Browne, a native of Massachusetts, was the son of Kingsbury Browne, Jr., the founder of the Land Trust Alliance. Dubayah is currently a professor in the Geography Department at the University of Maryland College Park and a fellow at the University of Maryland Institute for Advanced Computer Studies. The Dubayahs have undertaken the renovation of the Judge-White House, where they now live.

¹ Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission and Prince George's County Planning Department, Historic Sites and Districts Plan (1992).

² "A New Real Estate Company." *The Washington Post* (1877-1954), August 30, 1888, <http://www.proquest.com.proxy.library.cornell.edu/> (accessed January 7, 2009).

³ Susan G. Pearl, "Chlopicki House," (PG: 67-12) Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form (1986), 8:1.

⁴ "EVERYBODY BENEFITED: Comfortable Homes Guaranteed Those Who May Desire Them." *The Washington Post* (1877-1954), July 20, 1890, <http://www.proquest.com.proxy.library.cornell.edu/> (accessed January 7, 2009); "ON CHARLTON HEIGHTS: A Suburban Resort Unequaled for Its Natural Advantages." *The Washington Post* (1877-1954), June 22, 1890, <http://www.proquest.com.proxy.library.cornell.edu/> (accessed January 7, 2009).

⁵ "TERRACED VILLA SITES: Panoramas Which Delight Residents of Charlton Heights." *The Washington Post* (1877-1954), July 13, 1890, <http://www.proquest.com.proxy.library.cornell.edu/> (accessed January 7, 2009).

⁶ Susan G. Pearl, "Chlopicki House," (PG: 67-12) Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form (1986), 8:1.

⁷ Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission and Prince George's County Planning Department, Historic Sites and

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Districts Plan (1992).

⁸ "EDWARD GRAVES DEAD: Apoplexy Claims Washington Man at Atlantic City." *The Washington Post* (1877-1954), November 7, 1910, <http://www.proquest.com.proxy.library.cornell.edu/> (accessed January 7, 2009).

⁹ Edward Graves to John B. Wright, Prince George's County Land Records, JWB 26:67.

¹⁰ John B. Wright and Anna K. Wright to Charles Shepard, Prince George's County Land Records, 7:531.

¹¹ 1910 U.S. Federal Census, Precinct 6, Washington, District of Columbia, Series T624, Roll 152, Page 5A, Enumeration District 119, Image 749, Charles Shepard.

¹² Charles Shepard and Florence I. Shepard to Daniel B. Smoot and Mamie Smoot, Prince George's County Land Records, 16:304.

¹³ 1910 U.S. Federal Census, Election District 13, Prince George's, Maryland, Series T624, Roll 567, Page 27A, Enumeration District 75, Image 577, Daniel B. Smoot.

¹⁴ 1920 U.S. Federal Census, Washington, Washington, District of Columbia, Series T625, Roll 209, Page 9B, Enumeration District 247, Image 211, Daniel B. Smoot.

¹⁵ Daniel B. Smoot to Eva M. Judge, Prince George's County Land Records, 30:377.

¹⁶ 1910 U.S. Federal Census, Election District 1, Prince George's, Maryland, Series T624, Roll 567, Page 21B, Enumeration District 60, Image 45, Eva M. Judge.

¹⁷ 1920 U.S. Federal Census, Washington, Washington, District of Columbia, Series T625, Roll 213, Page 1A, Enumeration District 335, Image 753, Eva M. Judge.

¹⁸ 1920 U.S. Federal Census, Riverdale, Prince Georges, Maryland, Series T625, Roll 674, Page 10B, Enumeration District 101, Image 1117, Clayton G. Birch.

¹⁹ "Clayton Birch, Retired D.C. Fireman, Dies." *The Washington Post* (1877-1954), November 14, 1952, <http://www.proquest.com.proxy.library.cornell.edu/> (accessed January 9, 2009).

²⁰ "Commissioners Elected For Berwyn Heights." *The Washington Post* (1877-1954), May 16, 1924, <http://www.proquest.com.proxy.library.cornell.edu/> (accessed January 9, 2009).

²¹ Edward and Florence Donaldson to John G. Hall, Prince George's County Land Records, 303:383.

²² 1930 U.S. Federal Census, Berwyn Heights, Prince George's, Maryland, Series 878, Page 2B, Enumeration District 55, Image 478, John G. Hall.

²³ John G. Hall to Jesse B. Rutherford and Marion U. Rutherford, Prince George's County Land Records, 355:214.

²⁴ "Dr. J. Baldwin Rutherford." *The Washington Post* (1877-1954), December 30, 1944, <http://www.proquest.com.proxy.library.cornell.edu/> (accessed January 8, 2009).

²⁵ "Display Ad 12 --No Title." *The Washington Post* (1877-1954), January 14, 1915, <http://www.proquest.com.proxy.library.cornell.edu/> (accessed January 8, 2009).

²⁶ "Physician, 72, Held in Women's Death: Dr. Jesse B. Rutherford Is Accused of Performing Illegal Operation. Accusation is Denied." *The Washington Post* (1877-1954), January 15, 1929, <http://www.proquest.com.proxy.library.cornell.edu/> (accessed January 8, 2009).

²⁷ Jesse B. Rutherford to Rembert Paul Brooks and Martha Pope Brooks, Prince George's County Land Records, 628:1.

²⁸ Mortgage, Edward Donaldson and Florence M. Donaldson to Prince Georges Bank, Prince George's County Land Records, 284:244.

²⁹ Rembert Paul Brooks and Martha Pope Brooks to Joseph C. Cherry and James M. Presgraves, Prince George's County Land Records, 713:445.

³⁰ 1920 U.S. Federal Census, Washington, Washington, District of Columbia, Series T625, Roll 208, Page 8A, Enumeration District 221, Image 489, James M. Presgraves.

³¹ James M. Presgrave and Margaret L. Presgraves to Joseph C. Cherry, Prince George's County Land Records, 769:116.

³² 1930 U.S. Federal Census, Berwyn, Prince George's, Maryland, Series 878, Page 17B, Enumeration District 56, Image 515, Joseph C. Cherry.

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³³ Joseph C. Cherry and Marie S. Cherry to Martin U. White and Anna J. White, Prince George's County Land Records, 829:335.

³⁴ House Dealers, Inc. to Martin U. White and Anna J. White, Prince George's County Land Records, WWW 2406:395.

³⁵ Martin U. White and Anna J. White to Ralph E. Christie and Janet B. Christie, Prince George's County Land Records, WWW3185:311.

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property	<u>less than one acre</u>	
Acreage of historical setting	<u>less than one acre</u>	
Quadrangle name	<u>Washington East</u>	Quadrangle scale: <u>1:24,000</u>

Verbal boundary description and justification

The Judge-White House is located in the Berwyn Heights on a 0.4725-acre parcel, historically known as Lot 30 in Block 7 of Edward Graves' subdivision in Charlton Heights (now Berwyn Heights). A portion of Lot 29, Block 7 was added to the property in 1959. The southern boundary is formed by Ruatan Street. The western boundary follow a chain-link fence. The eastern and northern boundaries follow a wooden fence. The house is associated with Parcel 30 as noted on Tax Map 33, since its construction c. 1890.

11. Form Prepared by

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city or town	Washington	state	DC

The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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CHAIN OF TITLE
PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY LAND RECORDS

Lot 30: Dwelling

Deed JWB 26:67 June 2, 1893	Edward Graves to John B. Wright. (Lot 30, 31, 32, 33)
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Deed 7:531 July 10, 1902	John B. Wright and Anna K. Wright to Charles Shepard. (Lot 30 and 31)
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Deed 16:304 August 15, 1904	Charles Shepard to Daniel B. Smoot. (Lot 30 and 31)
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Deed 30:377 June 27, 1906	Daniel B. Smoot to Eva M. Judge. (Lot 30 and 31)
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Deed 137:204 October 8, 1918	Eva M. Judge and Albert F. Judge to Clayton G. Birch. (Lot 30 and 31)
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Deed 138:319 March 18, 1919	Clayton G. Birch and Myrtle I. Birch to Eva M. Judge. (Lot 30 and 31)
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Deed 141:160 April 24, 1919	Eva M. Judge and Albert F. Judge to Edward Donaldson. (Lot 30 and 31)
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Mortgage 284:244 February 10, 1927	Edward Donaldson and Florence M. Donaldson to Prince Georges Bank.
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Deed 303:383 August 14, 1928	Edward Donaldson to John G. Hall. (Lot 30 and 31)
Deed 355:214 August 18, 1930	John G. Hall to Jesse B. Rutherford and Marion U. Rutherford. (Lot 30 and 31)
Deed 628:1 September 23, 1941	Jesse B. Rutherford to Rembert Paul Brooks and Martha Pope Brooks. Subject to balance due on mortgage from Edward Donaldson and wife to the Prince Georges Bank, dated February 10, 1927, and recorded in Liber No. 284, at folio 244, said Land Records, the balance due on which is now about \$809.70. (Lot 30 and 31)
Deed 713:445 September 15, 1943	Rembert Paul Brooks and Martha Pope Brooks to Joseph C. Cherry and James M. Presgraves as tenants in common. (Lot 30 and 31)
Deed 769:116 October 14, 1944	James M. Presgraves and Margaret L. Presgraves to Joseph C. Cherry. (Lot 30 and 31)
Deed 829:335 February 11, 1946	Joseph C. Cherry and Marie S. Cherry to Martin U. White and Anna J. White. (Lot 30 and 31)
Deed WWW 3185:311 July 9, 1965	Martin U. White and Anna J. White to Ralph E. Christie and Janet B. Christie. (Lot 30 and part of 29)
Deed CEC 4458:661 February 3, 1975	Ralph E. Christie and Janet B. Christie to Arthur F. Davis and Betty Mae Thompson Davis. (Lot 30 and part of 29)
Deed NLP 6744:43 August 13, 1987	Arthur F. Davis and Betty Mae Thompson Davis to David E. Daigle and Cheryl Ann Daigle. (Lot 30 and part of 29)

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Deed VJ 7958:77 May 23, 1991	David E. Daigle and Cheryl Ann Daigle to Kingsbury Browne, III and Claudia A. Brand.
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Deed VJ 12082:585 March 26, 1998	Kingsbury Browne, III and Claudia A. Brand, his wife, to Ralph O. Dubayah and Elizabeth K. Dubayah.
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Part of Lot 29: Garage

Plat JWB 10:309 July 20, 1888	The Subdivision formerly known as Charlton Heights, and now known as Berwyn Heights is platted.
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Deed JWB 21:1 December 28, 1891	Charlton Heights Improvement Company to Joseph H. Keefer. (Lot 28 and 29)
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Deed JWB 34:546 November 30, 1895	William H. Dawson, assignee, to Peter E. Tome lots 28 and 29 in block seven after Joseph H. Keefer and Virginia C. Keefer, his wife, defaulted on a mortgage to James E. Waugh.
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Deed JB 10:207 February 12, 1900	Peter E. Tome and Pearl E. Tome, his wife conveyed an undivided five-sixth interest in the said property to the Jacob Tome Institute. (Lot 28 and 29)
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Deed 14:243 August 1, 1903	Jacob Tome Institute granted and conveyed unto Kate Tyree all of its interest in the property. (Lot 28 and 29)
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Deed 41:213 September 28, 1907	Kate Tyree and William Tyree, husband, granted and conveyed the said property to Fannie B. Ward. (Lot 28 and 29)
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Deed 47:517 September 28, 1908	Fannie B. Ward, widow, to Sarah N. Wye. (Lot 28 and 29)
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Mortgage
33:513
September 6, 1910

Sarah N. Wye granted and conveyed the said property to the Laurel Building Association by mortgage. (Lot 28 and 29)

Deed
101:474
May 27, 1915

William Stanley, Assignee, to Laurel Building Association after Sarah N. Wye defaulted on mortgage. (Lot 28 and 29)

Deed
101:499
June 14, 1915

Laurel Building Association to Fred W. Helbig, Sr. (Lot 27, 28, and 29)

Deed
125:425
March 21, 1917

Fred W. Helbig, Sr. to Bertha E. R. Helbig, his wife. (Lot 27, 28, and 29)

Deed
224:133
November 6, 1924

Bertha E. R. Helbig, widow, to Arthur L. Husted and Lelia M. Husted, his wife.

Deed of Trust
240:70
July 15, 1927

Arthur L. Hused and Lelia M. Husted, his wife, conveyed the described land and premises and appurtenances unto Jesse Williams and E. Quincy Smith, Trustees in trust to secure the payment of a certain debt.

Deed
338:242
October 3, 1929

Jesse Williams and E. Quincy Smith, Trustees, to United Security Life Insurance and Trust Company of Pennsylvania after Arthur L. Husted and Lelia M. Husted defaulted on loan.

Deed
343:213
January 28, 1930

United Security Life Insurance and Trust Company of Pennsylvania to John J. Collmer, unmarried.

Deed
432:350
December 30, 1935

John J. Collmer and Miriam O. Collmer, his wife, to Luther A. Harr, Secretary of Banking of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Receiver of United Security Trust Company, an insolvent State Banking Institution, lately operating in the City of Philadelphia, State of Pennsylvania.

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Deed
468:60
September 19, 1936

Luther A. Harr, Secretary of Banking of the Common Wealth of Pennsylvania,
Receiver of the United Security Trust Company to Dick R. Forrester.

Deed
1427:67
October 27, 1951

Dick R. Forrester and Hattie S. Forrester, his wife, to Edmund M. Hopper and
Elizabeth T. Hopper, his wife.

Deed
1916:31
October 31, 1955

Edmund M. Hopper and Elizabeth T. Hopper to Derma T. Showard and Elsie M.
Showard.

Deed
2233:492
July 29, 1958

Derma T. Showard and Elsie M. Showard to Samuel D. Shotwell and Helen E.
Shotwell.

Deed
2384:125
October 6, 1959

Samuel D. Shotwell and Helen E. Shotwell to Daniel Dunn Bohrer and Dorothea
A. Bohrer.

Deed
WWW 2406:395
December 14, 1959

House Dealers, Inc. to Martin U. White and Anna J. White.
(Part of lot 29)

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Photo: Judge-White House, Berwyn Heights, view of façade (south elevation), looking northwest. (April 2008)

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Photo: Judge-White House, Berwyn Heights, view of the façade (south elevation), looking northeast. (April 2008)

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Photo: Judge-White House, Berwyn Heights, view of the rear (north elevation), looking southeast. (April 2008)

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Photo: Garage, Berwyn Heights, view of the façade (west elevation), looking southeast. (April 2008)