



GUILFORD COUNTY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION AGENDA

Carolyn Q. Coleman Conference Room
First Floor, Old Guilford County Courthouse
301 W. Market St., Greensboro, N.C. 27401
July 15, 2025

Regular Meeting

6:00 PM

- I. Roll Call**
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 - A. Landmark Property Letters – Update**
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- VI. New Business**
 - A. LANDMARK DESIGNATION CASE #25-06-HPC-00006: 437 ARLINGTON ST., GREENSBORO, N.C. 27406 (GEORGE AND NANCY KESTLER HOUSE)**

The subject property is located at 437 Arlington St. (Guilford County Tax Parcel #1074 in Morehead/Gilmer Township), approximately 300 feet north of the intersection of Arlington St. and East Gate City Blvd., and comprises approximately 0.44 acres.

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This is a request to designate the subject property as a local historic landmark.

Information for **LANDMARK DESIGNATION CASE #25-06-HPC-00006** can be viewed by scrolling to the July 15, 2025, regular meeting agenda and packet at <https://www.guilfordcountync.gov/government/departments-and-agencies/planning-and-development/boards-and-commissions/historic-preservation-commission>.

VII. Other Business

Review of Landmark Properties / HPC Website

VIII. Adjournment

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**GUILFORD COUNTY
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION**

**Meeting Minutes
Regular Meeting – May 20, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.
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A. Roll Call

Chair Sean Dowell called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Troy Moss called the roll:

Present: Sean Dowell, Chair; Terry Hammond, Vice-Chair; David Horth; David Millsaps; Cory Rayborn; Abigaile Pittman; Jerry Nix; Keisha Hadden; Louis Gallien; Christie Lee; Haley Moloney

Absent: None

The following staff were also present: Leslie Bell, Planning and Development Director; Avery Tew, Senior Planner; Troy Moss, Planning Technician; Matthew Mason, Chief Deputy County Attorney.

Chair Dowell introduced Ms. Lee and Ms. Moloney as the newest members of the Commission. He added that the purpose of today's meeting was to address members' questions and concerns.

B. Agenda Amendments

None

C. Approval of Minutes: March 18, 2025

Mr. Rayborn pointed out that on page 5, section "G" under Other Business, the second paragraph should be added to the end of the first paragraph to improve the logical flow.

Vice-Chair Hammond moved to approve the minutes from the March 18th, 2025 meeting, as amended. The motion was seconded by Mr. Millsaps. The Commission voted unanimously in favor of the motion. (Ayes: Dowell, Hammond, Horth, Millsaps, Rayborn, Pittman, Nix, Hadden, Gallien, Lee and Moloney. Nays: None.)

D. Rules and Procedures

Since there were no legislative hearings for this meeting and no one from the public was present, Chair Dowell noted that it was not necessary to go over the Commission's Rules of Procedure.

E. Old Business

Mr. Bell stated that an email was sent out by Mr. Tew on May 13th that provided an update on the Certificate of Appropriateness case for the Bumpass-Troy House at 114 S. Mendenhall Street. There was a long-standing practice with the City of Greensboro that major Certificates of Appropriateness for landmark properties within a local historic district would only need approval from the Guilford County Historic Preservation Commission. After consultation and communication between the County Attorney's office and the City Attorney's office, it was deemed most appropriate for the City of Greensboro's HPC to handle those cases. The case for the Bumpass-Troy House is scheduled to be heard by the City HPC on May 28th.

Chair Dowell asked for clarification on whether this meant that the Guilford County HPC effectively lost jurisdiction over landmark properties within local historic districts. Mr. Bell said the County would continue to work with the City of Greensboro and the City of High Point to find the best way to implement these processes.

Mr. Nix confirmed that there was an agreement between the City of Greensboro's HPC and the Guilford County HPC that the County HPC would take precedence over the City HPC for landmark properties within local historic districts. He said that this makes sense because local historic districts only cover the exterior of the property and the land, whereas landmark designation covers the land, the exterior and interior, if it has been designated. Landmark designation also gives up to a 50% tax deferral. The applicants want a fast turnaround for decisions because they have carpenters lined up and other things they want to do. If they have to jump from one Commission to the other, that takes up a lot of their time, maybe three or four months. During that time period, there could be a lot of damage to the building. He said the County HPC has the right to be over the City HPC because the County HPC was formed by Guilford County and included all the different municipalities that wanted to participate at that time. He said that if the process was too burdensome, some property owners would request to withdraw landmark designation for their properties.

Chair Dowell added that landmarks are a handful of especially historic properties, and that this should take precedence over local historic districts, which often cover hundreds of properties.

Ms. Moloney pointed out that the Commission had to be able to review proposed changes to designated interior features of landmark properties, which would not be covered by historic districts.

Chair Dowell mentioned that the landmark properties in the County are significant for various reasons, such as being associated with an important individual. He said some landmarks are located within National Register districts, while others are not.

Mr. Tew clarified that the matter at hand would only come into play when landmarks were located within local historic districts, not National Register districts. There are three local historic districts in the City of Greensboro and four in the City of High Point. Any landmark properties located within these cities but outside of their historic districts would still fall under the jurisdiction of the County HPC.

Chair Dowell asked about the distinction between local historic districts and National Register districts? Mr. Tew said local historic districts are designated by the local government, whereas National Register districts are reviewed and designated by the State Historic Preservation Office and the National Park Service. Local historic districts also offer regulatory protections such as requiring Certificates of Appropriateness for development, while National Register districts are largely nominal.

Ms. Pittman pointed out that the design standards for local historic districts within the City of High Point vary, and some, for example, do not cover anything in the back yard. She said they also do not affect property taxes.

Mr. Tew said applications for Certificates of Appropriateness in local historic districts are reviewed for congruity with the special character of the district, whereas Certificates of Appropriateness for landmarks are reviewed for congruity with the special character of the landmark itself.

Ms. Moloney asked if a historic district property that was designated as a landmark would then be under the jurisdiction of the City HPC or County HPC? Mr. Tew replied that the landmark designation would be reviewed by the County HPC, but for the purpose of Certificate of Appropriateness review, the property would remain under the jurisdiction of the City HPC. Counsel Mason said the ordinance that created the County HPC lays out that Certificates of Appropriateness for properties within historic districts should go to the historic district HPC – in this case, the City HPC – regardless of whether the property is a landmark.

Chair Dowell pointed out that many past cases came before the County HPC without approval from the City HPC.

Mr. Bell added that, when cases come before the County HPC without first being reviewed by the City HPC, it requires the County HPC to be familiar with the City's historic district design standards. He said there had been conversations with City of Greensboro and City of High Point staff to figure out how to move forward.

Ms. Hadden asked why the existing processes could not remain in place? Mr. Bell said this created difficulties with the County HPC needing to review projects for conformance with the City's and the County's standards.

Chair Dowell asked if the County could require documentation of City approval prior to submission of an application? Mr. Bell said the County would work with other jurisdictions to find a process that works, while respecting the requirements of the ordinance. He said he was not prepared to give a final answer on how things would move forward.

Mr. Nix said it sounded like landmark properties within historic districts would need to first go to the City HPC for approval, then come to the County HPC for final approval. Mr. Bell said that would be one option for how to move forward.

Counsel Mason added that the requirements of the ordinance were clear that Certificates of Appropriateness for properties located within local historic districts should be reviewed by the historic district HPC. He said he wanted to clarify that the HPC's authority in reviewing Certificate of Appropriateness requests was to apply the standards they had adopted. If an applicant demonstrates that they have met the standards, the Commission's role is to issue the Certificate of Appropriateness, and if they did not, then the Commission's role is to deny. It is not the Commission's authority to try to assess whether another jurisdiction's standards or ordinances have been met.

Ms. Moloney asked if it would be helpful to have a task force so the different HPCs could communicate. Mr. Bell said that would be considered, but he could not commit to a particular course of action at this point, because there may be other ideas.

Ms. Maloney asked if it would be helpful to have a sub-committee or task force to have the HPCs communicating so they are better able to understand how things are going to be covered. Leslie Bell stated that all of the above would be considered.

Mr. Gallien mentioned that, at some point, he would like to have a discussion about the City and County HPCs merging.

F. New Business

None

G. Other Business

Chair Dowell stated that there had been discussion about setting clear expectations for the process and for the owners of landmark properties. He hopes to acknowledge and educate landmark property owners. Annual compliance letters, “selling your home” letters, and “you could have a historic home” letters are ways to better educate owners on what they have. He pointed out that compliance letters had not been sent out in some time. These letters are very informative and provide pertinent information to owners and realtors selling these homes.

Ms. Moloney said she thought these were very important informational tools to help people that own historic properties. There is a new grouping of housing types that have become eligible for tax credits. A lot of people don’t realize that they are considered historic and homes built before 1975 are now considered historic. She would like to see a Guilford County historic property owner’s guide so that people have resources to refer to, like how to become a landmark. Mr. Bell stated that some of that information is currently available on the County website.

Mr. Nix pointed out that some of these houses have gone through several owners since their designation and the new owners may not be aware of the standards, and ordinances that may relate to their property. He stated that all of the landmark properties need to have a letter sent to them as soon as possible, so that irreparable mistakes are not made. Mr. Bell stated that there is a new system where an applicant is notified when they come in to pull a permit that the property is a landmark. Mr. Nix said the problem was when someone performs work without a permit.

Chair Dowell suggested that these letters be put on the website as a PDF, so owners can download them for review.

Vice-Chair Hammond stated that there used to be staff that would ride around and view historic houses to determine whether they are in compliance. Mr. Bell stated that, unlike some other jurisdictions, the County does not have dedicated historic preservation staff. Planning and Development Department staff provide support to the HPC as one of many duties. The department is also subject to budgetary limitations as far as hiring new staff.

Ms. Moloney suggested that the HPC members could drive around their own areas and make notes on properties that are not in compliance. Counsel Mason cautioned that, if members should endeavor to do that, they should be cautious and not trespass on someone’s property. Property owners must be notified in writing that someone would be visiting their property. Vice-Chair Hammond

stated that she has recently looked at the GIS map, looking at properties and there are oblique photos of the properties that may be helpful.

Chair Dowell stated that one of the many resources is the GIS map, which includes a layer for historic properties. He suggested that members should look at it and make sure the information is correct. If it is not, they should let staff know so the information can be updated on the website. He asked staff to talk a little more about the GIS map.

Mr. Moss demonstrated how to use the GIS map to view inventoried historic properties and landmarks.

Mr. Nix pointed out that there are several properties on the GIS map that have incorrect photographs, and possibly also wrong addresses because the house was moved to another location. Chair Dowell asked that, when these errors are noticed, the member should get in touch with staff to make the necessary corrections.

Chair Dowell mentioned that there are opportunities for classes or training where the County may pay for HPC members to attend. He said it was important to continue to educate yourself whenever there is an opportunity.

Vice-Chair Hammond raised the possibility of creating specific design standards rather than utilizing the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation. Chair Dowell said that the landmark properties in the County were so different, he did not know how someone could develop design standards that would apply to all of these disparate properties. Ms. Moloney pointed out that historic districts generally have design standards that regulate conformance with the district, whereas landmarks usually are subject to the Secretary of the Interior's standards to allow flexibility.

Chair Dowell stated that he has been talking with staff about HPC expansion to towns not currently represented. Mr. Bell said that the Board of County Commissioners would have to authorize. Chair Dowell stated that he would attend one of their meetings and make that request.

Mr. Gallien raised the idea of the HPC being included in the County budget. He asked if there was a budget for the Commission? Mr. Bell responded that there is a budget for certain components for this Commission, just like for any of the other Boards. For example, professional development and training. If they know that there is something coming up for the next fiscal year, that budget can go up or down. If there is money for professional development and it is not all spent, then when it comes to review of that budget, then it is at the discretion of what is needed to make that budget balance. There are monies for professional services, such as the court reporter that summarizes the minutes each month, and monies for printing. If there is a particular project that would take County funds to do,

they can include that as a request in the budget and it may or may not be approved. The County Manager does hold budget workshops prior to developing the budget to try to glean what the Commissioners' priorities may be, to be funded in the next fiscal year.

Mr. Gallien stated that he feels that the HPC needs to be more proactive in their presence at those budget sessions. Mr. Bell said he would forward information on when those meetings would be held for this year. Counsel Mason pointed out that these meetings do not typically include a public comment period, and while there may be interesting information, it may not be an opportunity to make their concerns known. He suggested that they speak with their County Commissioner. Another good resource is the Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners, as she has the ear of the County Commissioners and knows about some of the opportunities that may exist by way of scheduled meetings that are coming up. It would probably be helpful for the Commission members to pull together their ideas and translate those ideas into cost estimates, so that they can be more concrete. That way, Planning staff can also be informed of what the Commission wants to do and what sort of funding may be needed, so that they can see if that can be included in the department's budget request.

H. Adjournment

There being no further business before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Next Scheduled Meeting – June 17, 2025

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§ 160D-947. Certificate of appropriateness required.

(a) Certificate Required. - After the designation of a landmark or a historic district, no exterior portion of any building or other structure, including masonry walls, fences, light fixtures, steps and pavement, or other appurtenant features, nor above-ground utility structure nor any type of outdoor advertising sign shall be erected, altered, restored, moved, or demolished on the landmark or within the district until after an application for a certificate of appropriateness as to exterior features has been submitted to and approved by the preservation commission. The local government shall require such a certificate to be issued by the commission prior to the issuance of a building permit granted for the purposes of constructing, altering, moving, or demolishing structures, which certificate may be issued subject to reasonable conditions necessary to carry out the purposes of this Part. A certificate of appropriateness is required whether or not a building or other permit is required.

For purposes of this Part, "exterior features" include the architectural style, general design, and general arrangement of the exterior of a building or other structure, including the kind and texture of the building material, the size and scale of the building, and the type and style of all windows, doors, light fixtures, signs, and other appurtenant fixtures. In the case of outdoor advertising signs, "exterior features" mean the style, material, size, and location of all such signs. Such "exterior features" may, in the discretion of the local governing board, include historic signs, color, and significant landscape, archaeological, and natural features of the area.

Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, the commission has no jurisdiction over interior arrangement. The commission shall take no action under this section except to prevent the construction, reconstruction, alteration, restoration, moving, or demolition of buildings, structures, appurtenant fixtures, outdoor advertising signs, or other significant features in the district that would be incongruous with the special character of the landmark or district. In making decisions on certificates of appropriateness, the commission shall apply the rules and standards adopted pursuant to subsection (c) of this section.

(b) Interior Spaces. - Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this section, jurisdiction of the commission over interior spaces is limited to specific interior features of architectural, artistic, or historical significance in publicly owned landmarks and of privately owned historic landmarks for which consent for interior review has been given by the owner. The consent of an owner for interior review binds future owners and/or successors in if the consent has been filed in the office of the register of deeds of the county in which the property is located and indexed according to the name of the owner of the property in the grantee and grantor indexes. The landmark designation shall specify the interior features to be reviewed and the specific nature of the commission's jurisdiction over the interior.

(c) Rules and Standards. - Prior to any action to enforce a landmark or historic district regulation, the commission shall (i) prepare and adopt rules of procedure and (ii) prepare and adopt principles and standards not inconsistent with this Part to guide the commission in determining congruity with the special character of the landmark or district for new construction, alterations, additions, moving, and demolition. The landmark or historic district regulation may provide, subject to prior adoption by the preservation commission of detailed standards, for staff review and approval as an administrative decision of applications for a certificate of appropriateness for minor work or activity as defined by the regulation; provided, however, that no application for a certificate of appropriateness may be denied without formal action by the preservation commission. Other than these administrative decisions on minor works, decisions on certificates of appropriateness are quasi-judicial and shall follow the procedures of G.S. 160D-406.

(d) Time for Review. - All applications for certificates of appropriateness shall be reviewed and acted upon within a reasonable time, not to exceed 180 days from the date the application for a certificate of appropriateness is filed, as defined by the regulation or the commission's rules of procedure. As part of its review procedure, the commission may view the premises and seek the advice of the Division of Archives and History or such other expert advice as it may deem necessary under the circumstances.

(e) Appeals. -

- (1) Appeals of administrative decisions allowed by regulation may be made to the commission.
- (2) All decisions of the commission in granting or denying a certificate of appropriateness may, if so provided in the regulation, be appealed to the board of adjustment in the nature of certiorari within times prescribed for appeals of administrative decisions in G.S. 160D-405(d). To the extent applicable, the provisions of G.S. 160D-1402 apply to appeals in the nature of certiorari to the board of adjustment.
- (3) Appeals from the board of adjustment may be made pursuant to G.S. 160D-1402.
- (4) If the regulation does not provide for an appeal to the board of adjustment, appeals of decisions on certificates of appropriateness may be made to the superior court as provided in G.S. 160D-1402.
- (5) Petitions for judicial review shall be taken within times prescribed for appeal of quasi-judicial decisions in G.S. 160D-1405. Appeals in any such case shall be heard by the superior court of the county in which the local government is located.

(f) Public Buildings. - All of the provisions of this Part are hereby made applicable to construction, alteration, moving, and demolition by the State of North Carolina, its political subdivisions, agencies, and instrumentalities, provided, however, they do not apply to interiors of buildings or structures owned by the State of North Carolina. The State and its agencies may appeal to the North Carolina Historical Commission or any successor agency assuming its responsibilities under G.S. 121-12(a) from any decision of a local preservation commission. The North Carolina Historical Commission shall render its decision within 30 days from the date that the notice of appeal by the State is received by it. The current edition of the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation and Guidelines for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings shall be the sole principles and guidelines used in reviewing applications of the State for certificates of appropriateness. The decision of the North Carolina Historical Commission is final and binding upon both the State and the preservation commission. (2019-111, s. 2.4; 2020-3, s. 4.33(a); 2020-25, ss. 24, 51(a), (b), (d).)

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Certificates of Appropriateness and Quasi-Judicial Procedures

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A core responsibility of the local historic preservation commission is to review and decide on certificates of appropriateness (COAs) to prevent development and changes “that would be incongruous with the special character of the landmark or district” (G.S. 160D-947). A COA decision requires the commission to take historic design standards and apply them to a specific property or development. Such decision-making is quasi-judicial, and as such, COA decisions must follow the statutory procedural requirements and ensure the due process rights of all parties with legal standing in the case.

This blog explores the scope of COA decisions and the procedural requirements for these quasi-judicial decisions.

What projects need a Certificate of Appropriateness?

In general, a major change to a locally designated historic landmark or to a property within a locally designated historic district requires the owner to obtain a certificate of appropriateness. COAs are required for most changes to the exterior of the building or site; **there are limited situations when COAs are necessary for interior work**. If a building permit is required, the COA must be issued prior to issuance of building permit. Even if no building permit is required for a project, a COA might be required (G.S. 160D-947).

Public buildings are subject to COA review, though the process and standards may be different depending on whether the public building is owned by the state or another public body. For minor works, state law allows for administrative review by staff rather than review by the full preservation commission. Ordinary maintenance and action to address safety concerns are exempt from COA review.

Now, consider each of those topics in a bit more detail.

“Exterior Features”

State law requires COAs for changes to exterior features and provides a broad scope for “changes” and broad definition of “exterior features.”

“[N]o exterior portion of any building or other structure, including masonry walls, fences, light fixtures, steps and pavement, or other appurtenant features, nor above-ground utility structure nor any type of outdoor advertising sign shall be erected, altered, restored, moved, or demolished on the landmark or within the district until after an application for a certificate of appropriateness as to exterior features has been submitted to and approved by the preservation commission.”

(G.S. 160D-947).

“Exterior features” are defined to include:

“the architectural style, general design, and general arrangement of the exterior of a building or other structure, including the kind and texture of the building material, the size and scale of the building, and the type and style of all windows, doors, light fixtures, signs, and other appurtenant fixtures. In the case of outdoor advertising signs, “exterior features” mean the style, material, size, and location of all such signs. Such “exterior features” may, in the discretion of the local governing board, include historic signs, color, and significant landscape, archaeological, and natural features of the area.”

(G.S. 160D-947).

Limited Applicability to Interior Features

Generally, COAs do not cover interior spaces. There are limited exceptions for landmarks for which “[t]he landmark designation shall specify the interior features to be reviewed and the

specific nature of the commission’s jurisdiction over the interior.” This regulatory reach to interior spaces only applies to “specific interior features of architectural, artistic, or historical significance in publicly owned landmarks and of privately owned historic landmarks for which consent for interior review has been given by the owner” (G.S. 160D-947).

Administrative Review for Minor Works

Not every change to a historic property must go to the full preservation commission for review. Run-of-the-mill changes may be defined as “minor works” and reviewed by administrative staff. Such minor works must be clearly identified in the applicable preservation regulation. Examples include minor exterior work that does not change the design, material, or appearance, such as redecking a porch with similar materials; storm windows and storm doors; rear yard decks; and similar changes.

Decisions about minor works must be based on detailed design standards adopted by the preservation commission. Staff may approve a COA for a minor work, but any denial must go to the preservation commission for formal action (G.S. 160D-947).

Exemption for Ordinary Maintenance, Unsafe Situations, and Emergency Utility Work

A local government may not require a COA for ordinary maintenance or necessary actions to resolve a dangerous situation. A local government may not “prevent the ordinary maintenance or repair of any exterior architectural feature in a historic district or of a landmark that does not involve a change in design, material, or appearance thereof.” Additionally, the local government may not “prevent the construction, reconstruction, alteration, restoration, moving, or demolition of any such feature which the building inspector or similar official shall certify is required by the public safety because of an unsafe or dangerous condition” (G.S. 160D-947).

Above-ground utility structures—such as power poles—get special treatment. Maintenance of above-ground utilities is exempt from COA approval, and in the case of an emergency above-ground utilities may be immediately restored without COA approval (G.S. 160D-947).

Public Buildings

Local historic regulations apply to the “construction, alteration, moving, and demolition by the

State of North Carolina, its political subdivisions, agencies, and instrumentalities.” But there are subtle changes in the process and standards.

Buildings owned by the State of North Carolina and its agencies are not subject to local design standards; rather, they are reviewed based on the Secretary of the Interior’s Standards. Appeals of COA decisions for State and agency buildings go to the North Carolina Historical Commission, and that decision is final and binding (G.S. 160D-947(f)).

With regard to regulating the interiors of buildings, G.S. 160D-947(b) indicates that the local preservation commission may have regulatory authority over “specific interior features of architectural, artistic, or historical significance in *publicly owned* landmarks.” G.S. 160D-947(f), however, states local COA review “do[es] not apply to interiors of buildings or structures *owned by the State of North Carolina*.” With that, interiors of state buildings are not subject to local review, but interiors of other publicly owned buildings potentially may be.

Demolition Delay

In general, a request for a certificate of appropriateness for demolition may not be denied but may be delayed.

For properties within a district, the commission may delay the effective date of the COA for up to 365 days (G.S. 160D-949). For locally designated landmarks, the commission *shall* delay the effective date for a COA for demolition for 365 days (G.S. 160D-945). Such delay period must be reduced when “the owner would suffer extreme hardship or be permanently deprived of all beneficial use of or return from such property by virtue of the delay.” For *proposed* landmarks or districts, demolition may be delayed up to 180 days (G.S. 160D-949).

During a delay the preservation commission may negotiate for the preservation of the property.

There are limited circumstances in which a demolition COA may be denied. That is for “a building, site, or structure determined by the State Historic Preservation Officer as having statewide significance as defined in the criteria of the National Register of Historic Places” (G.S. 160D-949).

Beyond the authority to slow down active demolitions, local governments have authority to adopt regulations to prevent demolition by neglect (G.S. 160D-949).

Quasi-Judicial Decision-Making

Determinations about certificates of appropriateness are not simple, objective determinations—they require evidence from interested parties, analysis of design standards and specific projects, and judgment from the decision-makers. As such, COA decisions must follow the statutory procedural requirements for quasi-judicial decisions and ensure the due process rights of all parties with legal standing.

“[D]ecisions on certificates of appropriateness are quasi-judicial and shall follow the procedures of G.S. 160D-406.” Those requirements include:

- Clear Guiding Standards
- Notice
- Impartial Decision-Makers
- Evidentiary Hearing
- Decision Based on Evidence and Standards
- Right to Appeal

Clear Guiding Standards

After a city or county establishes a historic district or historic landmark, the local historic preservation commission is authorized to prevent certain changes that “would be incongruous with the special character of the landmark or district.” But what is that special character? And what is incongruous with it?

The North Carolina Supreme Court explains the incongruity standard to be “a contextual standard.”

A contextual standard is one which derives its meaning from the objectively determinable, interrelated conditions and characteristics of the subject to which the standard is to be applied. In this instance the standard of “incongruity” must derive its meaning, if any, from the total physical environment of the Historic District. That is to say, the conditions and characteristics of the Historic District’s physical environment must be sufficiently distinctive and identifiable to provide reasonable guidance to the Historic District Commission in applying the “incongruity” standard.

A-S-P Associates v. City of Raleigh, 298 N.C. 207, 222, 258 S.E.2d 444, 454 (1979)(citation

omitted).

The special character of the landmark or district is not left to speculation or guessing. It is not conjured up at the time of COA review. A determination of congruity is guided by the details of the ordinance designating the historic landmark or district and by the required design standards.

“Prior to any action to enforce a landmark or historic district regulation, the commission shall . . . prepare and adopt principles and standards . . . to guide the commission in determining congruity with the special character of the landmark or district for new construction, alterations, additions, moving, and demolition” (160D-947(c)). Moreover, “[i]n making decisions on certificates of appropriateness, the commission shall apply the rules and standards adopted pursuant to subsection (c) of this section” (G.S. 160D-947)(a).

Design standards commonly include elements such as architectural styles of the landmark or district; building details such as siding, roofing, windows and doors, and porches; site details such as fences and walls; expectations for building additions; and expectations for new construction.

Notice

Notice for quasi-judicial evidentiary hearings is specified at G.S. 160D-406. Notice must be mailed to the applicant, the owner of the property (if different from the applicant), the owners of property abutting the subject property, and any other individuals entitled to notice pursuant to the local rules. Mailed notice must be deposited in the mail at least 10 days, but not more than 25 days, prior to the evidentiary hearing.

In addition to mailed notice, the local government must post notice on the site (or adjacent right-of-way) 10-25 days prior to the evidentiary hearing.

State law sets the minimum notice requirements. Local rules may call for additional notice such as newspaper notice or mailed notice to owners of property within a certain distance. The local government must adhere to any additional notice requirements it has set for itself.

Impartial Decision Maker

In quasi-judicial decisions, decision-makers must be neutral, third-party arbiters. Indeed, individuals with legal standing in the matter have constitutional rights to an impartial decision maker. To that end, G.S. 160D-109 sets forth some conflicts of interest that are impermissible

violations of due process rights. These include:

- a member having a fixed opinion prior to hearing the matter that is not susceptible to change,
- undisclosed ex parte communications,
- a close familial, business, or other associational relationship with an affected person,
- or a financial interest in the outcome of the matter.

If a commissioner has a conflict of interest, they must recuse themselves and not participate in the hearing or decision. If there is an objection to a commissioner's participation, the remainder of the board votes on their participation.

Evidentiary Hearing

As with any quasi-judicial decision, a decision on a certificate of appropriateness "shall be based upon competent, material, and substantial evidence in the record." Some of the record is compiled upfront, including the application materials, technical analysis, staff reports. But the full record is established through an evidentiary hearing.

An *evidentiary* hearing is different from a general, *public* hearing. The formal process and the legal requirements are heightened. Witnesses are sworn in; evidence is admitted (and may be objected to); witnesses must provide factual testimony (not personal opinion); and for technical matters, qualified experts are required.

The applicant, local government, and other parties with formal legal standing have the right to participate (an opportunity to be heard). Other individuals from the public may participate as witnesses, but not to make legal claims such as objecting to evidence, cross-examining witnesses, or challenging a commissioner for conflicts of interest.

Decision Based on Standards and Evidence

The incongruity standard does not grant the preservation commission "untrammeled authority to compel individual property owners in the Historic District to comply with whatever arbitrary or subjective views the members of the Commission might have as to how property in the district should be maintained or developed." *A-S-P Associates v. City of Raleigh*, 298 N.C. 207, 221, 258 S.E.2d 444, 453 (1979). A decision to grant or deny a COA must be framed within the design standards and based on evidence in the record.

North Carolina courts have ruled that when a preservation commission decision departs from the

framework of historic standards and guidelines, that decision is arbitrary and will not stand. In *Sanchez v. Town of Beaufort*, for example, the court disapprovingly noted that the “height requirement was not reached on the basis of any particular determining principle. Rather, each [commission] member reached what he or she considered an appropriate height based on their own personal preferences.” 211 N.C. App. 574, 581, 710 S.E.2d 350, 355 (2011).

The Court of Appeals quoted commissioners discussing the height requirement in loose terms, unmoored from the applicable standards. One commissioner argued that the project could be redesigned to reduce five feet in height. When the chair asked for the basis for the five feet, the commissioner offered:

Well five feet (5') would be if you had a . . . This is his determination, with a ten foot (10') ceiling downstairs, and a nine foot (9') ceiling upstairs, if you had eight foot (8') ceilings, that's three feet (3'). . . . And then, if the duct work was to be relocated, that's two more feet. So that would be five feet (5') without a lot of material changes. *Now it could be a different number, but I'm just throwing that out.*

211 N.C. App. 574, 581, 710 S.E.2d 350, 355 (2011)(emphasis added by court).

Another commissioner made his own calculations for how the project could be redesigned. A third commissioner stated simply that “twenty five feet (25') is a reasonable height.” When the commission voted on the height limit one commissioner “explicitly admitted that none of the [commission] guidelines were used to determine that height.”

The court was clear: “Since the twenty-four foot height requirement was established by each member of the [commission] without the use of any determining principle from the [design] guidelines, it was clearly arbitrary.” *Sanchez v. Town of Beaufort*, 211 N.C. App. 574, 582, 710 S.E.2d 350, 355 (2011).

In order to avoid arbitrary decision-making that could be overturned by the courts, the preservation commission must ground its review and decision-making in the applicable design standards.

Procedurally, the historic preservation commission must make a decision based on the standards

and evidence “within a reasonable time, not to exceed 180 days from the date the application for a certificate of appropriateness is filed” (G.S. 160D-947)(d). The written decision must “reflect the board’s determination of contested facts and their application to the applicable standards, and be approved by the board and signed by the chair or other duly authorized member of the board” (G.S. 160D-406).

Right to Appeal

Parties with standing have a right to appeal a preservation decision. Appeals must be filed within 30 days, but the particulars depend on the local rules and the decision being appealed, as noted at G.S. 160D-947:

- Administrative decisions on minor work are appealed to the preservation commission.
- COA decisions are appealed to superior court in the nature of certiorari, the same as other quasi-judicial decisions.
- The local ordinance may provide for COA decisions to be appealed to the board of adjustment before it goes to superior court. In that case the board of adjustment follows procedures for an appeal in the nature of certiorari.
- For buildings of the State and its agencies, appeals are taken to the North Carolina Historical Commission.

Conclusion

Making decisions on certificates of appropriateness is a core responsibility for the local historic preservation commission. This work requires the commission to apply broader design standards to a specific property or project. Such decision-making requires evidence and judgment—and it requires the commission to follow quasi-judicial procedures to protect the due process rights of the parties with legal standing.

For more information on local preservation, check out these related blogs on [Preservation Commission Basics](#) and [Designating Local Historic Landmarks and Districts](#).

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**GUILFORD COUNTY
PLANNING AND
DEVELOPMENT**

**Historic Preservation
Commission
Application for Historic Landmark
Designation**

Name of Designated Landmark (Historic and/or Common): George and Nancy Kestler House

Property Address/Location: 437 Arlington Street, Greensboro, North Carolina

Tax Parcel Number: 0 0 1 0 7 4

Deed Book and Page Number: BOOK 4321 PAGE 118

Plat Book and Page Number: N/A

Features to be designated (lot, interior, exterior, etc.): Lot and exterior only

☒ Applicant ☐ Owner

Gate City Preservation L.L.C

Name (please print legibly)

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Greensboro, North Carolina

City, State and Zip Code

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Phone Number

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E-mail Address



Signature

April 18, 2025

Date

☐ Applicant ☒ Owner

Beloved Community Center of Greensboro

Name (please print legibly)

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Mailing Address

Greensboro, North Carolina

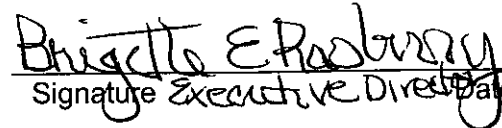
City, State and Zip Code

(336) 230-0001

Phone Number

info@belovedcommunitycenter.org

E-mail Address

 4/22/25

Signature Executive Director Date

The application is due no later than noon (12:00 P.M.) on the fourth (4th) Tuesday of the month. The regularly scheduled meeting is typically held every third (3rd) Tuesday of the month.

**Return completed applications by e-mail to:
Guilford County Planning and Development
jsnyder@guilfordcountync.gov
(336) 641-3334**

<https://www.guilfordcountync.gov/our-county/planning-development/historic-preservation-program>

READ CAREFULLY AND SUPPLY ALL INFORMATION

The following information must be provided, in digital format, before the application can be reviewed, deemed complete and placed on the next available Historic Preservation Commission agenda:

1. **STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:** The property must be deemed historically, architecturally or archaeologically significant. **DATE ALONE DOES NOT MAKE A PROPERTY SIGNIFICANT.** Please describe and document the seven aspects of integrity which include the significance of location, design, setting, workmanship, materials, feeling, and association. Include significant dates in the property's history.
2. **MAPS:** Provide a location/vicinity map for the property. Also provide a scaled site plan or as-built survey of the property indicating the proposed landmark boundaries and location of all buildings to be included in the proposed designation.
3. **PHOTOGRAPHS:** Provide a complete photographic record of the property. Include photographic views sufficient to document all significant aspects of the property proposed for designation. All photographs must be labeled and submitted in a digital format. Older photos should be scanned in color.
4. **ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:** Describe both the original and current appearance and style of the significant structures such as houses, barns, well houses, and other buildings proposed for designation. The description should include the following: date of construction, date(s) of alterations, description of overall form, and exterior details (and interior details if included). Include a drawing of the existing and original (if different) floor plan with rooms labeled.
5. **HISTORICAL BACKGROUND:** Describe the history of the property. The details should include the following: former uses of the property, list of owners (from Grantor-Grantee index), a list of builders and/or architects if known. Also, if available, provide and label further documentation such as newspaper or periodical articles, excerpts from books, cemetery records, register of deeds documents, and oral history documentation.
6. **BIBLIOGRAPHY:** Provide footnotes and a list of information resources.

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE STATEMENTS ARE TRUE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF, AND I SUPPORT LANDMARK DESIGNATION OF THE PROPERTY DEFINED HEREIN. I acknowledge that the Guilford County Historic Preservation Commission may require additional information. I acknowledge that the designation, if approved by the governing body, includes the specific features requested for designation, or as otherwise determined worthy of designation by the governing body upon recommendation from the Historic Preservation Commission. I acknowledge that any alterations of the property and/or features designated shall first require issuance of a Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) by the Guilford County Historic Preservation Commission or its staff, as appropriate. I acknowledge that all final application materials submitted become the property of Guilford County and may not be returned. **Finally, I hereby consent to the visitation of my property by any local board member or staff, upon reasonable notice, for purposes of investigating the merits of potential designation.**

Bruce E. Raab 4/22/25
Signature of Owner(s) Executive Director Date

Signature of Owner(s)

Date



GEORGE AND NANCY KESTLER HOUSE

437 Arlington Street
Greensboro, North Carolina 27406

Application for Guilford County Historic Landmark Designation

Prepared by Beloved Community Center of Greensboro, NC and
Gate City Preservation L.L.C.

April 2025

I. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The George and Nancy Kestler House, built in 1876, is locally significant to Guilford County as an exceptional example of Italianate architecture. As one of few extant buildings in Greensboro built before 1880, the Kestler House retains a high level of architectural integrity. The house was possibly designed and built by architect Lyndon Swaim (1812-1893), who also constructed the old Guilford County Courthouse (1872) and, likely, the neighboring Gothic Revival William Fields House (1875-1879; NR: 1985). The architect was clearly influenced by Alexander Jackson Downing and may have designed the home based on his drawings in Downings' popular work, *Architecture of Country Houses*. The Kestler House, like its neighbor the William Fields House, is representative of the early phase of mid-19th century residential development in downtown Greensboro, specifically in the Shieldstown neighborhood. The period of significance is the house's 1876 construction date.

Integrity Statement

- **Location:** The Kestler House remains in its original location.
- **Design:** The Kestler House is a fine example of the Italianate style and retains many character-defining features of the Italianate style.
- **Setting:** The setting of the house has remained mostly unchanged as it has always been in a mixed-use commercial and residential urban area. Next door, the William Fields House (1875-1879) is still standing, however other residences of the period along Arlington Street have been demolished.
- **Workmanship:** Many of the existing building materials are historic, which demonstrates the skill of the first builders who installed the materials in a way that prolonged the historic fabric. The craftsmen who made these ornate architectural features, specifically the windows, decorative porch moldings, and brackets, were highly skilled.
- **Materials:** Many of the original materials and finishings of the residence have been preserved or restored. From the arched wood windows to the decorative porch moldings, deep overhanging eaves, and decorative brackets, the materials continue to contribute to the character-defining features of the residence.
- **Feeling:** The feeling of the home has been maintained by the careful restoration work done over the years by the owners. Although the building is in need of restoration, which is the goal of the current owners, the building retains an exceptionally high level of integrity and design.
- **Association:** Over the decades, the building maintained its use as a residence; therefore, it did not undergo any substantial architectural changes. The building is not currently in use, but is about to undergo restoration and become an extension of the nearby community center.

Proposed Boundary Justification

The proposed boundary for Local Landmark Designation is the property's current .44 acre parcel (PIN: 7864638697). The owners wish to designate the lot and the exterior of the building, including the low stone retaining wall with grapevine joints and mature landscape specimens contemporary to the home.

II. MAPS

Maps and Floor Plans

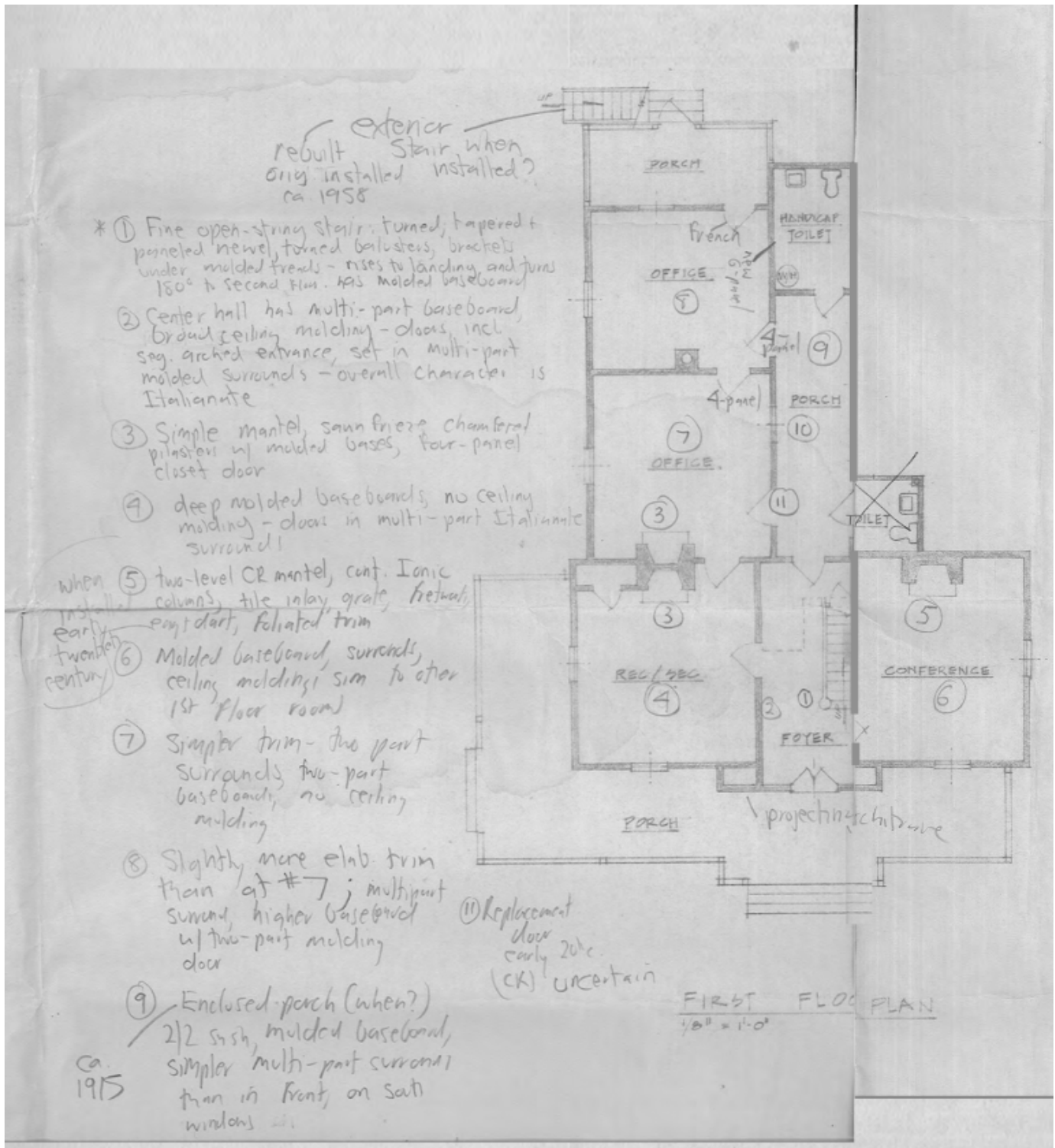
Guilford County Tax Map (parcel in red)



HPOWeb Map (parcel in green)



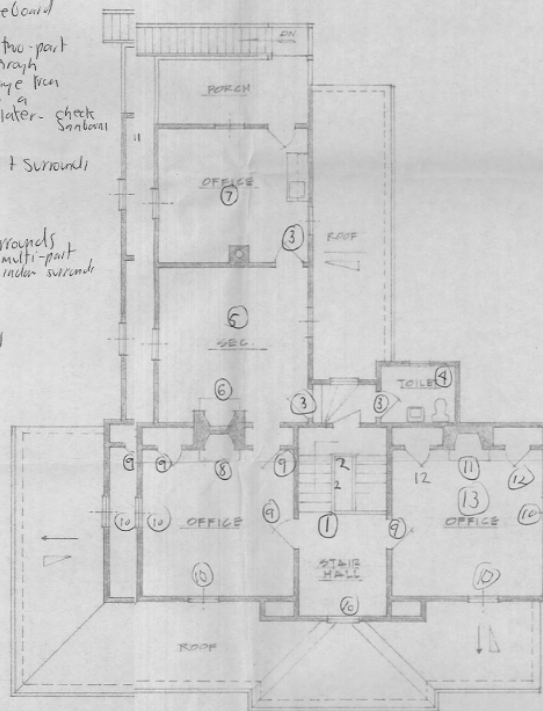
Floor Plan



also describe stones and placement in photos
 mortared granite retaining wall along Arlington + ~~the~~
 Rev HSE

note - window lit + second plank have ~~for~~ pieces inserted to fill in
 arch; installed before Ms. Schiltz purchased three of
 stovani ~~chess~~ windows

- ① Stair has curving balustrade, turned balusters
 ends in circular piece along wall;
- ② handsome brackets along underside of
 stair, sim. to those along lower portion of
 stair
- ③ Five-panel door; ④ simple baseboard
- ⑤ Simple two-part baseboard - two-part
 surrounds; this room is entered through
 door off stair and through passage from
 front N. room that will once a
 closet - this section probably later - check
 Sanborn
- ⑥ Simple Grackled mantel
- ⑦ ~~See~~ two-part molded baseboard + surrounds
- ⑧ P+L mantel w/ arched frieze
- ⑨ four-panel doors: multi-part surrounds
 also multi-part
 window surrounds
- ⑩ Square multi-part surround seen
 elsewhere in front of house
- ⑪ Chamfered pilasters; molded capitals
 broad molded shelf
- ⑫ four-panel closet door
- ⑬ Simple molded baseboard
- ⑭ ⑩



SECOND FLOOR PLAN
 1/8" = 1'-0"

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 north carolina 27405
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 greensboro



OFFICE BLDG AT
 447 ARLINGTON STREET
 GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA

JOB NO.

DATE

2/28/81

DRAWN

SHEET NO.

III. ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

Architectural Context

The Italianate style, made popular in Greensboro by Governor John Motley Morehead's 1844 Blandwood expansion, was used frequently in the 1870s-1880s. It typically appeared in stylistic details applied to simple house forms.¹ Although the style was once ubiquitous, today the George and Nancy Kestler House is one of the city's few surviving Italianate residences and is one of the few extant houses in Greensboro built before 1880. A comparable property is the Walker-Scarborough House (1845) in nearby College Hill, constructed of clapboarded frame construction in a simplified Italianate style.² Oral tradition states that the Walker-Scarborough House was commissioned by Governor John Motley Morehead for his daughter Letitia and her husband Stephen Walker as a wedding gift. It features simple Italianate features of a low hipped roof, long windows, and brackets, but is much more reserved in its stylistic detailing than the George and Nancy Kestler House. It also is a much earlier example and does not represent the development of the Shieldstown neighborhood. The Kestler House shares interior detailing with two other comparable properties, though they are in the Gothic Revival style, the neighboring William Fields House (1875-1879; NR: 1985) and the nearby Dixon-Leftwich-Murphy House (1870-1875; NR: 1982). According to a survey completed in the 1980s, the interiors were also similar to the Julius A. Gray House (1875, demolished in 2015).³

Architectural Description

Located on a quiet street just southeast of downtown Greensboro, the George and Nancy Kestler House, constructed of clapboarded frame, rests on a low brick foundation and consists of a two-story, single-pile main block and a two-story rear ell that appears to have been built at the same time as the house's main section and at least as early as 1891, as evidenced by *Bird's eye view of the city of Greensboro, North Carolina* (1891).⁴ Both portions of the house have gable roofs. The central bay of the façade projects slightly from the two flanking bays and is topped with a gable, creating a center cross gable roof line. Additions have been added to the rear ell over time. The additions include, from south to north, a narrow, two-story shed-roof overhang supported by a metal pier on concrete block; an adjoining two-story shed wing, which furnishes space for a bathroom; and a two-story shed-roof porch, which provides an open stair at the rear of the ell. The shed porch along the south side or the ell facing the main block has been enclosed.

The exterior of the Kestler House displays traditional Italianate trim. The boxed and molded cornice of the main block is adorned by sawn brackets with turned pendant drops. Diamond shaped ventilators are seen in all three gables of the main block. The two-over-two sash windows

¹ Brown, Marvin A., *Greensboro, an Architectural Record*, Preservation Greensboro, Inc. 1995, 25.

² Brown, Marvin A. and Kaye Graybeal, "College Hill Historic District," National Register of Historic Places Registration Form, United States Department of the Interior, National Park Service. North Carolina State Historic Preservation Office, <https://files.nc.gov/ncdcr/nr/GF1248.pdf>, May 1993, Accessed April 17, 2025.

³ Holleman, Ann L., "William Fields House," National Register of Historic Places Nomination and Inventory. United States Department of the Interior, National Park Service, North Carolina State Historic Preservation Office, <https://files.nc.gov/ncdcr/nr/GF0174.pdf>, August 1985, Accessed April 17, 2025.

⁴ "Improvements about town"... Ruger & Stoner, and Burleigh Litho. *Bird's eye view of the city of Greensboro, North Carolina*. [Madison, Wis, 1891] Map. <https://www.loc.gov/item/75694899/>.

of the main block and the ell are set in simple, molded, segmental-arched surrounds. The principal entrance, also set in a simple molded surround, is comprised of a pair of paneled entrance doors with segmental-arched single lights and a matching wood storm door, which appears to be from the same period.

Perhaps the most notable exterior feature of the house is the shed-roofed porch, which carries across the full façade and the north (left) elevation of the main block. The central portion of the porch pavilion, sheltering the principal entrance, has a hip roof and projects forward from the rest of the porch. The porch is upheld by wooden posts, square-in-section, consisting of three parts: a short base topped with a molding; a long-chamfered section which also terminates in a molding; and a short upper portion which rises to a molded capital and is embellished with sawn brackets. The porch balustrade is missing, but historically ran between the porch supports, composed of a molded handrail, a simple baseboard, and elaborate cut-out balusters. Brick steps and pathway lead from the sidewalk through the front lawn to the projecting portion of the porch in front of the principal entrance. The lower section's short retaining walls built along side these steps are topped with two square stones – the north (left) stone displays the inscription “G.W. Kestler” while the south (right) stone is inscribed “1876.” A handicap accessible ramp has been added at the midline of porch on the side (north) elevation.

Interior

The main block of the Kestler House follows a center-hall interior plan. The stair is certainly the house's finest interior feature. It rises from the front entrance to a rear landing and then rises along to the second floor. From the rear landing, a curved, five-step stair provides access to a bathroom and to the second story of the rear ell. This stair is reached through a passage set in a molded surround and topped with a two-light transom. The open-string stair rises from an elaborate tapered, turned, and paneled newel post, and has a molded handrail as well as turned and tapered balusters. The open stringers are embellished with delicately sawn brackets, and the stair treads are adorned with two-part moldings. The balustrade rises continuously.

IV. HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

During the Reconstruction Era (1864-1900), Greensboro began to develop its first suburbs, namely the Black communities of Warnersville and East Greensboro and the segregated white communities of South Greensboro and Shieldstown, named after the original owner of the large tract, Joseph Shields.⁵ Each of these suburbs were located just south of the commerce and business district of Market and South Elm Streets and the nearby industrial area running along the former North Carolina Railroad.⁶ The establishment of these suburbs in the late nineteenth century had substantial impacts up until the Post War Era and beyond, “The racial and physical alignment of Warnersville, Shieldstown, and South Greensboro...set the pattern for development

⁵ Guilford County Deed Book 48, Page 401, Recorded on July 24, 1874 between grantor, Joseph W. Shields, and grantee, George W. Kestler.

⁶ Brown, Marvin A., “Historic and Architectural Resources of Greensboro, North Carolina, 1880-1941,” National Register of Historic Places Multiple Property Documentation Form, United States Department of the Interior, National Park Service, North Carolina State Historic Preservation Office, <https://files.nc.gov/ncdcr/nr/GF7565.pdf>, September 15, 1991, Accessed April 18, 2025.

of the southern part of Greensboro up through World War II.” The white neighborhood of South Greensboro did not expand further than the nearby boundaries of the Black communities of Warnersville and East Greensboro (south and east of Bennett College and North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University, known then as the Agricultural and Mechanical College.) Black communities were barred from expanding into South Greensboro or Shieldstown, which were white-only communities and, as a result, “by the close of the nineteenth century the racial patterns of all of these neighborhoods were largely set.”⁷

As indicated on the entrance stone, the George and Nancy Kestler House was built in 1876 in the Shieldstown neighborhood. Located originally on “South Davie Street,” by 1891 the street was renamed “Arlington Street” and the house was assigned its current number, “437.”⁸ Although the Kestler residence was not listed among the city’s pre-1880 structures in Ruth Little Stoke’s *An Inventory of Historic Architecture Greensboro, N. C.* (1976), stone blocks carrying Kestler’s name and the date “1876” sit atop the stone steps to the principal entrance. The construction date is also substantiated by a newspaper article in the *Greensboro Patriot* as well as the residence appearing on *Gray’s New Map of Greensboro* (1879) and *Bird’s eye view of the city of Greensboro, North Carolina* (1891).⁹

The house was built for the Kestler family, George W. (May 1826- January 1906), his wife Nancy “Nannie” C. Crass Kestler (July 13, 1836- May 1917), and their two sons James (1867-c. 1885) and George Alexander (February 15, 1875-1921).¹⁰ On March 24, 1876, the *Greensboro North State* reported, “On east side, between Ashboro and Lee, Mr. G. W. Kestler has completed and is now occupying a well-located two story frame house... This portion of the city, generally known as Shieldstown, is building up rapidly.”¹¹ George W. Kestler was born in Randolph County in 1826. He was described as someone who had “worked [his] way up from the humble walks of life... [and was] connected with the cotton factories in [Randolph].”¹² At the time of the home’s construction, George W. Kestler was still a member of the Odell, Ragan & Co. firm, a dressmaking and textile company in downtown Greensboro.¹³

⁷ Brown, Marvin A., “Historic and Architectural Resources of Greensboro, North Carolina, 1880-1941,” National Register of Historic Places Multiple Property Documentation Form, United States Department of the Interior, National Park Service, North Carolina State Historic Preservation Office, <https://files.nc.gov/ncdcr/nr/GF7565.pdf>, September 15, 1991, Accessed April 18, 2025.

⁸ Sanborn Map Company, Greensboro, Guilford, North Carolina, December 1891, Library of Congress, Geography and Map Division, Sanborn Maps Collection, https://www.loc.gov/item/sanborn06420_003/, Accessed April 17, 2025 and Sanborn Map Company, Greensboro, Guilford, North Carolina, January 1902, Library of Congress, Geography and Map Division, Sanborn Maps Collection, https://www.loc.gov/item/sanborn06420_005/, Accessed April 17, 2025.

⁹ Ruger & Stoner, and Burleigh Litho. *Bird’s eye view of the city of Greensboro, North Carolina*, Madison: Wisconsin, 1891, Map. <https://www.loc.gov/item/75694899/>.

¹⁰ Birth and death dates compiled using research through Ancestry.com (census data, obituaries, etc.), <https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/20437286/person/28910606782/facts>.

¹¹ “Improvements About Town,” *Greensboro North State*, March 24, 1876. www.newspapers.com, Accessed April 17, 2025.

¹² “D. Curtis & Co.,” *The Greensboro Patriot*, Wednesday, November 9, 1881. www.newspapers.com, Accessed April 17, 2025.

¹³ Charles Emerson & Company; Edwards, Broughton & Co, “Chas. Emerson & Co.’s Winston, Salem & Greensboro, North Carolina directory,” 1879. www.archive.org, Accessed April 17, 2025.

George and Nancy married in Cabarrus County on April 25, 1855. After moving to Greensboro, the couple quickly became Greensboro socialites. Nancy often traveled to Concord and Davie County to visit extended family. Remembered as “one of [Greensboro’s] most prominent business men,” George W. established several enterprises between 1880-1900, namely “G. W. Kestler & Son,” a drug store on Asheboro Street and Southern Sweetgum Chewing Gum Company, a manufacturing plant he purchased and managed with his son, George A. Kestler.¹⁴ The Kestlers also owned a drug store in Burlington.¹⁵ George W. was a member of the Greensborough Freemason Lodge # 76. In 1882, he ran for Greensboro’s South Ward Commissioner and lost to W. E. Bevill. Well-connected and respected in the community, George also served as a court officer and juror for a murder in 1891.¹⁶

George and Nancy’s eldest son, James, died when he was a teenager, sometime between the 1880 and 1890 census. The Kestlers’ youngest son, George A., married Mary “Mollie” E. Kestler (possibly his cousin) on July 11, 1896, at the George and Nancy Kestler House, where they resided for the next several years before their children were born. George W., Nancy “Nannie”, George A., and Mary “Mollie” were all still living in the house during the 1900 census. Both Georges are listed as “Druggists” under occupation.

In May of 1905, the Kestlers sold their home to their neighbor, W. A. Fields. George A. and Mary moved to Florence, South Carolina and George W. and Mary moved to a house on Gorell Street, where George died at the age of eighty years old after a long illness in January of 1906. After his death, Nancy traveled, visiting extended family for several weeks. Sometime between 1906 and 1908, Nancy moved to Florence, South Carolina to live with George and Mary. By the 1910 census, she is listed as living in Florence with her son and daughter-in-law and three grandsons, George M. (aged 7), Victor C. (aged 4), and Charles A. (aged 10 months). Nancy Kestler died in May of 1917 after complications from fracturing a hip after a fall at their home in Florence. She was buried beside her husband and eldest son, James, in Green Hill Cemetery in Greensboro.¹⁷

¹⁴ “Death of George W. Kestler,” *News and Record*, Wednesday, January 24, 1906, www.newspapers.com, Accessed April 17, 2025 and “Mr. George W. Kestler,” *The Greensboro Patriot*, Wednesday, January 24, 1906, www.newspapers.com, Accessed April 17, 2025.

¹⁵ “Mr. and Mrs. George W. Kestler left at noon today, for Burlington, where Mr. Kestler has bought a drug store,” *Greensboro Telegram*, Thursday, January 5, 1899, www.newspapers.com, Accessed April 17, 2025.

¹⁶ “Foul Murder in Greensboro,” *The Greensboro Patriot*, Thursday, February 19, 1891, www.newspapers.com, Accessed April 17, 2025.

¹⁷ “Nannie C. Kestler,” Find a Grave, database and images, <https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/104216128>, Green Hill Cemetery, Greensboro, Guilford County, North Carolina.

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 - c. Grantee: Andrew Levitt and Peggy Whalen-Levitt
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 - a. Recorded on July 10, 1995
 - b. Grantor: Andrew Levitt and Peggy Whalen-Levitt
 - c. Grantee: Beloved Community Center of Greensboro, Inc.

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Photo 1: Setting, facing east.



Photo 2: Front (west) façade



Photo 3: Porch and entrance door detail, facing east.



Photo 4: Front (west) façade detail, facing east.



Photo 3: Side (north) elevation, facing southeast



Photo 4: Side (north) elevation, facing south



Photo 3: Rear (east) elevation, facing southwest



Photo 4: Rear (east) elevation, facing west



Photo 3: Side (south) elevation, facing north



Photo 4: Side (south) elevation, facing northeast

The following pages make up the Working File for the property, which includes:

- Deeds
- Census Records
- Marriage Records
- Draft Cards
- Newspaper Articles
- Other pertinent Information

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out any force, fear or undue influence of her said husband, or other person, and did still voluntarily assent thereto. Therefore, let the said deed with this certificate be registered.

J. W. Nelson, Probate Judge.

X
George W. Kestter, Deed from Joseph H. Shields.

This deed, made this twenty fourth day of July 1874 by Joseph H. Shields of Guilford County and State of North Carolina to George W. Kestter, of Guilford County and State of North Carolina, Witnesseth, that said Joseph H. Shields in consideration of seven hundred and fifty dollars to him paid by George W. Kestter, the receipt of which is here by acknowledged, hath bargained and sold, and by these presents do bargain, sell and convey to said George W. Kestter and his heirs a lot in the City of Greensboro in Guilford County State of North Carolina, adjoining the lands of J. L. Jones J. H. Shields and others bounded as follows, viz: Beginning on Davie Street 253 feet from Lee Street thence east 243 feet parallel with Lee Street to Jones' line, thence with Jones' line north 125 feet to a stone, thence west parallel with Lee Street to Davie Street, thence with Davie Street 125 feet to the beginning, containing one half an acre, more or less. To have and to hold the aforesaid lot in the City of Greensboro and all privileges and appurtenances thereto belonging to the said George W. Kestter and his heirs and assigns to their only use and behoof. And the said Joseph H. Shields covenants that he is seized of said premises in fee, and hath right to convey the same in fee simple, that the same are free from all incumbrances and that he will warrant and defend the said title to the same, against the claims of all persons what soever. In testimony whereof, the said Joseph H. Shields hath hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year above written.

Joseph H. Shields, (seal)

Attest, W. W. Blaylock, 3

State of North Carolina

Guilford County 3 In Probate Court

The execution of the foregoing deed was duly proven this the 6th day of January 1875 before the undersigned Judge of Probate for said County by the oath and reexamination of W. W. Blaylock the subscribing witness thereto. Therefore, let it be registered.

J. W. Nelson

Probate Judge

day of July 1901. ³³⁵

J. R. Rankin Deputy C. S. C.
Filed for registration on the 27 day of July
1901 at 8 o'clock A. M. and duly recorded.
A. G. Kirkman Register of Deeds.

✓ Geo. A. Kestler from Geo. W. Kestler

This Deed made this the 26 day of July 1901 by Geo. W. Kestler and Nannie Kestler his wife of Guilford County and State of North Carolina parties of the first part to Geo. A. Kestler of Guilford County and State of North Carolina party of the second part. Witnesseth that the said parties of the first part in consideration of (\$1750⁰⁰) Seventeen hundred and fifty Dollars to them paid by the said party of the second part the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged have bargained and sold and by these presents do bargain sell and convey unto the said party of the second part and his heirs a tract or parcel of land in the County of Guilford and State of North Carolina in Selmer Township adjoining the lands of Geo. W. Kestler W. A. Fields and others and bounded as follows. Beginning at W. A. Fields corner on Arlington Street thence North 50 feet to Geo. W. Kestler corner thence East 243 feet with Geo. W. Kestlers line thence 50 feet South with A. L. Rankins line to W. A. Fields corner thence 243 feet to the beginning containing one fourth an acre more or less. The above land was conveyed to grantor by being a part. See Book No. 3 page 401 &c.

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This Deed, Made this the 9th day of May, 1905
 by George W. Kestler and his wife Nannie Kestler
 and George A. Kestler and his wife Mary E. Kestler
 of Guilford County and State of North Carolina, parties of the first part,
 to W. A. Fields of Guilford County and State of
 North Carolina, party of the second part,

WITNESSETH, That the said parties of the first part, in consideration of [\$ 5500.00] Fifty five
hundred Dollars to them paid by the said party of the second part, the receipt
 of which is hereby acknowledged, ~~has~~ have bargained and sold, and by these presents do bargain, sell, and convey unto the said party
 of the second part, and his heirs, a tract or parcel of land in the county of Guilford and State of North Carolina, in

W. A. Fields and A. L. Rankin Township, adjoining the lands of
 and others, and bounded as follows:
Beginning at the Southwest corner of Benbow's
property on the east side of Arlington and
proceeding thence Southwardly with Arlington
Street one hundred and twenty five (125)
feet to W. A. Fields corner; thence Eastwardly
with W. A. Fields line two hundred and forty
three (243) feet to a stake; thence Northwardly
one hundred and twenty five (125) feet to
Benbow's line; thence Westwardly with Benbow's
line two hundred and forty three (243) feet
to point of beginning.

The above land was conveyed to grantor by Joseph N. Shields See Book No. 48, Page 401, etc.
See also Book No. 132 page 335.
 To have and to hold the aforesaid tract or parcel of land, and all privileges and appurtenances thereunto belonging to the said party of the
 second part and his heirs and assigns forever.

And the said parties of the first part do covenant that they are seized of said premises in fee and have
 the right to convey the same in fee simple; that the same are free from encumbrances, and that they will warrant and defend
 the said title to the same against the claims of all persons whatsoever.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, The said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hand s and seal s the
 day and year first above written.

Witness:

J. S. Kingkendall

Geo. W. Kestler [SEAL]
Nannie Kestler [SEAL]
Geo. A. Kestler [SEAL]
Mollie Kestler [SEAL]

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA—Guilford County.

I, Lee H. Battle a Notary Public of said County, do hereby certify that
Geo. W. & Geo. A. Kestler and their wife Nannie & Mollie Kestler
 grantors, personally appeared before me this day and acknowledged the execution of the foregoing deed of conveyance, and the said
Nannie & Mollie Kestler being by me privately examined, separate and apart from
their said husband, touching their voluntary execution of the same, do state that they signed the same freely and voluntarily, without fear or compul-
 sion of their said husbands or any other person, and that they do still voluntarily assent thereto. Let the said deed and this certificate be registered.

Witness my hand and seal, this the

11th

day of

May1905

Lee H. Battle Notary Public
Guilford County N.C.

Lee H. Battle N. P. [SEAL.]

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA—Guilford County.

I, _____ of said County, do hereby certify that
 _____, grantor, personally appeared before me this day and acknowledged the
 execution of the foregoing deed. Let the said deed and this certificate be registered.

Witness my hand and seal, this the

day of

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_____, J. P. [SEAL.]

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA—Guilford County.

The foregoing certificate of Lee H. Battle Notary Public of said County, is
 adjudged to be correct. Let the said deed and the certificates be registered.

Witness my hand, this the

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day of

May1905

_____, C. S. C.

Filed for registration on the

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day of

May1905at 3:30

o'clock

P

M., and duly recorded.

W. J. Kirkman Register of Deeds.

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GUILFORD COUNTY.

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The foregoing certificate of M. Alma Parker, a Notary Public of said County, is adjudged to be correct. Let the said deed and the certificate be registered. Witness my hand this 24 day of Jan., 1927.

C. S. Lambeth, Asst. C. S. C.

Filed for registration on the 24 day of Jan., 1927 at 11.30 O'clock, A.M., and duly recorded.

R. H. WHARTON RECORDER OF DEEDS.

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DEED FROM GREENSBORO BANK & TRUST CO. COMR. TO I. M. REYNOLDS.

THIS DEED Made this 15th day of January 1927 by and between Greensboro Bank & Trust Company, as Executor of the Estate of W. A. Fields, and as a Commissioner of the Superior Court of Guilford County, party of the first part; and I. M. Reynolds of the County of Guilford and State of North Carolina, party of the second part;

WITNESSETH, That whereas in a certain Special Proceeding in the Superior Court of Guilford County entitled "Greensboro Bank & Trust Company, Executor, etc. versus Mrs. Annie C. Fields, et al", the same being a proceeding, brought by said Greensboro Bank & Trust Company as Executor of the Estate of W. A. Fields, deceased, against his widow and heirs at law for the purpose of selling certain real estate for the payment of debts, an order was duly signed by said Court confirming the sale of the lands hereinafter described to said I. M. Reynolds at the price of nine thousand five hundred dollars (\$9,500.00) and ordering and directing said Greensboro Bank & Trust Company as Executor and Commissioner to make, execute and deliver unto said I. M. Reynolds a deed for said real estate upon the receipt by it of the said purchase price of nine thousand and five hundred dollars, and whereas said I. M. Reynolds has complied with the terms of said sale by the payment of said purchase price;

NOW THEREFORE Said party of the first part as Executor and Commissioner as aforesaid for and in consideration of the premises and of the said sum of nine thousand and five hundred dollars has bargained and sold, and by these presents doth bargain, sell and convey unto the said party of the second part his heirs and assigns a certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in the City of Greensboro, County of Guilford and State of North Carolina, and more particularly described and bounded as follows:

BEGINNING at the southwest corner of Benbow's property, on the east side of Arlington Street, and running thence southwardly with Arlington Street 125 feet to W. A. Fields corner; thence eastwardly with W. A. Fields line 243 feet to a stake; thence northwardly 125 feet to Benbow's line; thence westwardly with Benbow's line 243 feet to the point of beginning; saving excepting from the above boundaries, however, so much thereof as has been heretofore conveyed by W. A. Fields to said I. M. Reynolds by deed recorded in Book 335 on Page 612, and therein described as follows: Beginning at a stake on the east side of Arlington Street, City of Greensboro, at the center of an eight foot alley, established between the property of W. A. Fields and the property of E. L. Stamey on the 26th day of February 1906 by deed recorded in Book 186, on Page 119, in the Register of Deeds office, thence eastwardly with the center of said alley 220 feet to a stake; thence northwardly parallel with Arlington Street, 50 feet to a stake; thence westwardly parallel with said alley 220 feet to Arlington Street; thence southwardly with Arlington Street 50 feet to the point of beginning; together with and subject to the rights and privileges of using said alleyway as provided in said alleyway agreement; also together with the right of ingress, egress and regress, over a strip of land eight feet wide, immediately in the rear of the above described property.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD Said lands and premises, together with all privileges and appurtenances thereunto belonging to him the said party of the second part and his heirs and assigns in fee simple forever.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF said Greensboro Bank & Trust Company as Commissioner and as Executor, as aforesaid, has caused this deed to be executed in its corporate name by its Vice President and attested by its Secretary, and its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed the day and year first above written.

GREENSBORO BANK & TRUST COMPANY,

As Executor and Commissioner.

By R. D. Douglas
Vice President

sold and by these presents doth bargain, sell and convey unto the said J. A. Albright, his heirs and assigns the lands conveyed in said deed of trust and sold as aforesaid, the same lying and being in the County of Guilford and State of North Carolina, in Gilmer Township, and more particularly described and bounded as follows;

Beginning at the southwest corner of Benbow's property, on the East side of Arlington Street, and running thence southwardly with Arlington Street, 75 feet to Reynold's corner; thence eastwardly with Reynolds line 243 feet to a stake; thence northwardly 75 feet to Benbow's line; thence westwardly with Benbow's line 243 feet to the beginning; being known as 437 Arlington Street.

The land above described and conveyed by this deed does not include all of the land covered by said deed of trust, but by agreement among all the parties, only the land above described is hereby conveyed and this sale is in full satisfaction of said deed of trust.

But this conveyance is made subject to all outstanding taxes and assessments.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD Said lands and premises, together with all privileges and appurtenances thereunto belonging to him the said party of the second part and his heirs and assigns in fee simple forever.

AND the said P. M. Pettitt joins in this conveyance for the purpose of quitclaiming any interest he may have as the bidder at said sale.

IN TESTIMONY Whereof said R. D. Douglas, acting as Trustee as aforesaid, and said P. M. Pettitt, for the purpose above set out, have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

R. D. Douglas TRUSTEE (SEAL)
P. M. Pettitt (SEAL)

THIS DEED MADE This 16th day of November, 1931, by and between R. D. Douglas, acting as Trustee as hereinafter stated, and P. M. Pettitt, joining herein for the purpose hereinafter expressed, parties of the first part; and James A. Albright, party of the second part; all of the County of Guilford and State of North Carolina,

WITNESSETH That whereas I. M. Reynolds heretofore executed a certain deed of trust to said R. D. Douglas, Trustee, dated January 15, 1927, and recorded in Book 528 on page 311, in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Guilford County, to secure certain indebtedness therein set out; and whereas interest upon the debt thereby secured remained overdue and unpaid for a period of more than thirty days; and whereas the holder of the note thereby secured declared the whole sum due and payable by reason of such default and demanded of said Trustee a foreclosure of said deed of trust for the purpose of satisfying said indebtedness; and whereas said Trustee did after due and legal advertisement as required by law and the terms of said deed of trust, offer the land conveyed in said deed of trust for sale at public auction for cash at the east door of the court house in the City of Greensboro at noon on October 14th, 1931, when and where P. M. Pettitt, became the last and highest bidder at the price of five thousand and fifty dollars (\$5050.00); and whereas said sale has remained open for more than ten days and no advance bid has been made thereon, and no objection offered to said sale; and whereas said P. M. Pettitt has transferred his said bid to said James A. Albright and has authorized and instructed the trustee to make deed to the said J. A. Albright, upon the payment of said J. A. Albright of the said purchase price, and whereas said J. A. Albright has paid said purchase price and demanded a deed for the lot so sold;

NOW THEREFORE, Said R. D. Douglas, acting as Trustee as aforesaid, in consideration of the premises and of the sum of five thousand and fifty dollars to him in hand paid, hath bargained and

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THIS DEED Made this the 20th day of March, 1950, by W. P. Albright, Guardian of James A. Albright, incompetent, of Guilford County, North Carolina, party of the first part, to Marvin L. Drake and his wife, Ruby E. Drake, of Guilford County, North Carolina, parties of the second part,

W I T N E S S E T H :

THAT WHEREAS W. P. Albright, Guardian of James A. Albright, incompetent, was authorized and directed by Clerk of the Superior Court of Guilford County in the special proceeding entitled "In the matter of W. P. Albright, Guardian of James A. Albright, incompetent" to convey the land hereinafter described to Marvin L. Drake and wife, Ruby E. Drake, upon their payment of the purchase price of Seventy Five Hundred (\$7500.00) Dollars cash; and

WHEREAS said purchase price and every part thereof has been paid; and

WHEREAS the aforesaid order of the Clerk of the Superior Court was approved and confirmed, and the conveyance of the land as above provided authorized and directed by Hon. H. Hoyle Sink, Resident Judge of the Twelfth Judicial District,

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and the sum of Seventy Five Hundred Dollars (\$7500.00) cash, to the party of the first part paid, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, said party of the first part has bargained and sold, and by these presents does bargain, sell and convey to the said parties of the second part, their heirs and assigns, all that certain tract or parcel of land in the City of Greensboro, Guilford County, North Carolina, in Gilmer Township, and more particularly designated and described as follows:

BEGINNING at the Southwest corner of Benbow's property on the East side of Arlington Street, and running thence Southwardly with Arlington Street 75 feet to Reynolds corner; thence Eastwardly with Reynolds line 243 feet to a stake; thence Northwardly 75 feet to Benbow's line; thence Westwardly with Benbow's line 243 feet to the BEGINNING, being known as 437 Arlington Street, Greensboro, North Carolina.

This conveyance is made subject to 1950 County and City taxes.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD said land and premises together with all privileges and appurtenances thereunto belonging to them the said parties of the second part, their heirs and assigns, in as full and ample manner as said guardian is empowered to convey the same.



MAIL TO (Name) (Street & Number) (City) (State) (Zip)
PERMANENT ADDRESS OF GRANTEE Post Office Box 3484, Greensboro, North Carolina

This Deed, Made this 3rd day of November, 1980, by and between
MARVIN L. DRAKE (Widower)

of Guilford County and State of North Carolina hereinafter
called Grantor, and CAROL S. SCHILTZ

of Guilford County and State of North Carolina, hereinafter called Grantee.
WITNESSETH: That the Grantor, for and in consideration of the sum of Ten Dollars and other good and valuable considera-
tions to him in hand paid by the Grantee, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, has given, granted, bargained, sold and
conveyed, and by these presents does give, grant, bargain, sell, convey and confirm unto the Grantee, his heirs and/or successors
and assigns, premises in Morehead/Gilmer Township, Guilford County, North Carolina, described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point in the Eastern margin of Arlington Street,
said point being North 03 deg. 22' 30" East 273.23 feet from the
intersection of Arlington Street with the northern margin of East
Lee Street and from said point of beginning along and with the
Eastern margin of Arlington Street North 03 deg. 22' 30" East
75.00 feet to a new iron pin; thence South 87 deg. 23' 37" East
233.76 feet to a new iron pin; thence South 00 deg. 46' 28" East M.L.D.
75.00 feet to a new iron pin; thence North 87 deg. 25' 26" West
239.19 feet to the point and place of Beginning.

This conveyance is made subject to restrictions, easements and
right-of-way of record, if any.



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555 4 6750 #00003.00 DC
555 4 6750 #00001.00 FE

The above land was conveyed to Grantor by See Book No. 1318, Page 105
TO HAVE AND TO HOLD The above described premises, with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging, or in any wise apper-
taining, unto the Grantee, his heirs and/or successors and assigns forever.
And the Grantor covenants that he is seized of said premises in fee, and has the right to convey the same in fee simple; that said
premises are free from encumbrances (with the exceptions above stated, if any); and that he will warrant and defend the said title
to the same against the lawful claims of all persons whomsoever.
When reference is made to the Grantor or Grantee, the singular shall include the plural and the masculine shall include the femi-
nine or the neuter.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The Grantor has hereunto set his hand and seal, the day and year first above written.

MARVIN L. DRAKE (SEAL)
MARVIN L. DRAKE (SEAL)
MARVIN L. DRAKE (SEAL)

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA—GUILFORD COUNTY

I, Lilla C. Robinson, a notary public of said county
do hereby certify that Marvin L. Drake

Grantor(s), personally appeared before
me this day and acknowledged the execution of the foregoing deed. Witness my hand
and notarial seal-stamp. This 3rd day of November, 1980.
My Commission Expires: 7-26-82 Notary Public Signature Lilla C. Robinson

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA—GUILFORD COUNTY

I, a notary public of said county
do hereby certify that

Grantor(s), personally appeared before
me this day and acknowledged the execution of the foregoing deed. Witness my hand
and notarial seal-stamp. This day of 19
My Commission Expires: Notary Public Signature

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA—GUILFORD COUNTY

The foregoing certificate(s) of Lilla C. Robinson
a Notary Public (Notaries Public of Guilford County, N.C.) is (are) certified to be correct. This the day of
NOV 4 - 1980 MARK STEWART, REGISTER OF DEEDS, GUILFORD COUNTY, N. C.
By Patricia Samuels Assistant—Deputy Register of Deeds

This Deed drawn by William L. Daisy, P. O. Box 1829, Greensboro, N. C. 27402

RECORDED
MARK STEWART
REGISTER OF DEEDS
GUILFORD COUNTY, N.C.

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MAIL TO (Name) (Street & Number) (City) (State) (Zip)
PERMANENT ADDRESS OF GRANTEE 611 N. Henderson St Greensboro, N.C. 27401

This Deed, Made this 25 day of October, 1982, by and between
CAROL S. SCHILTZ

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of Guilford County and State of North Carolina hereinafter
called Grantor, and ANDREW LEVITT & PEGGY WHALEN-LEVITT

of Guilford County and State of North Carolina, hereinafter called Grantee.
WITNESSETH: That the Grantor, for and in consideration of the sum of Ten Dollars and other good and valuable considera-
tions to him in hand paid by the Grantee, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, has given, granted, bargained, sold and
conveyed, and by these presents does give, grant, bargain, sell, convey and confirm unto the Grantee, his heirs and/or successors
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being North 03 deg. 22' 30" East 273.23 feet from the intersection of
Arlington Street with the northern margin of East Lee Street and from said
point of beginning along and with the Eastern margin of Arlington Street
North 03 deg. 22' 30" East 75.00 feet to a new iron pin; thence South
87 deg. 23' 37" East 233.76 feet to a new iron pin; thence South 00 deg.
46' 28" East 75.00 feet to a new iron pin; thence North 87 deg. 25' 26"
West 239.19 feet to the point and place of Beginning.

This conveyance is made subject to restrictions, easements and right-of-
way of record, if any.



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The above land was conveyed to Grantor by See Book No. 1318, Page 105
TO HAVE AND TO HOLD The above described premises, with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging, or in any wise apper-
taining, unto the Grantee, his heirs and/or successors and assigns forever.
And the Grantor covenants that he is seized of said premises in fee, and has the right to convey the same in fee simple; that said
premises are free from encumbrances (with the exceptions above stated, if any); and that he will warrant and defend the said title
to the same against the lawful claims of all persons whomsoever.
When reference is made to the Grantor or Grantee, the singular shall include the plural and the masculine shall include the femi-
nine or the neuter.

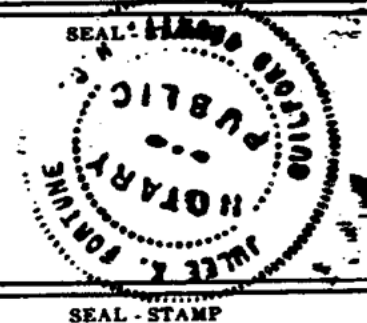
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The Grantor has hereunto set his hand and seal, the day and year first above written.

(SEAL) (SEAL)
(SEAL) (SEAL)
CAROL S. SCHILTZ (SEAL) (SEAL)

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA-GUILFORD COUNTY

I, JULEE K. FORTUNE a notary public of said county
do hereby certify that CAROL S. SCHILTZ

Grantor(s), personally appeared before
me this day and acknowledged the execution of the foregoing deed. Witness my hand
and notarial seal-stamp. This 29 day of October, 1982
My Commission Expires: 4/8/86 Notary Public
Signature Julee K. Fortune



STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA-GUILFORD COUNTY

I, a notary public of said county
do hereby certify that

Grantor(s), personally appeared before
me this day and acknowledged the execution of the foregoing deed. Witness my hand
and notarial seal-stamp. This day of 19
My Commission Expires: Notary Public
Signature

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA-GUILFORD COUNTY

The foregoing certificate(s) of Julee K. Fortune
a Notary Public (Notarise Public) of Guilford County, N. C., is (was) certified to be correct. This the day of
OCT 29 1982

REGISTERED OF DEEDS, GUILFORD COUNTY, N. C.
KAY F. PATSEAYOUNG
By Patricia Summers
Deputy Register of Deeds

This Deed drawn by John B. Hatfield, Jr., 219 W. Washington St., Greensboro, NC 27401

RECORDED
KAY F. PATSEAYOUNG
REGISTER OF DEEDS
GUILFORD COUNTY, N. C.

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STATE OF
NORTH
CAROLINA



Real Estate
Excise Tax

Excise Tax

140.00

Recording Time, Book and Page

Tax Lot No. _____ Parcel Identifier No. _____

Verified by _____ County on the _____ day of _____, 19 _____

Prepared by Margaret Robison Kantlehner

Mail after recording to Margaret Robison Kantlehner

This instrument was prepared by Margaret Robison Kantlehner

Brief description for the Index 437 Arlington Street

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL WARRANTY DEED

THIS DEED made this 10th day of July 1995 by and between

GRANTOR

Andrew Levitt & Peggy Whalen-Levitt
401 Hobbs Road
Greensboro, NC 27403

GRANTEE

of Greensboro
Beloved Community Center, Inc.
437 Arlington Street
Greensboro, NC

Enter in appropriate block for each party: name, address, and, if appropriate, character of entity, e.g. corporation or partnership.

The designation Grantor and Grantee as used herein shall include said parties, their heirs, successors, and assigns, and shall include singular, plural, masculine, feminine or neuter as required by context.

WITNESSETH, that the Grantor, for a valuable consideration paid by the Grantee, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, has and by these presents does grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the Grantee in fee simple, all that certain lot or parcel of land situated in the City of Greensboro, North Carolina Township Guilford County, North Carolina and more particularly described as follows:

Tract 1
BEGINNING at a point in the Eastern margin of Arlington Street, said point being North 03 deg. 22' 30" East 273.23 feet from the intersection of Arlington Street with the northern margin of East Lee Street and from said point of beginning along and with the Eastern margin of Arlington Street North 03 deg. 22' 30" East 75.00 feet to a new iron pin; thence South 87 deg. 23' 37" East 233.76 feet to a new iron pin; thence South 00 deg. 46' 28" East 75.00 feet to a new iron pin; thence North 87 deg. 25' 26" West 239.19 feet to the point and place of BEGINNING.

TRACT 2
BEGINNING at the southeastern corner of that certain tract of land facing on Arlington Street, which tract of land was conveyed by Carol S. Schiltz to Andrew Levitt and Peggy Whalen-Levitt by Deed dated the 25th day of October, 1982, and recorded in Book 3244 at Page 9 in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Guilford County, North Carolina; and proceeding thence with the eastern line of said tract, North 01 deg. 32' 50" West 90.11 feet to a point in the western margin of Lewis Street; thence with the western margin of Lewis Street, South 25 deg. 07' 30" East, following a curve to the right, a chord distance of 14.33 feet; thence still with the western margin of Lewis Street, South 21 deg. 12' 20" East 81.71 feet to a point; thence South 88 deg. 27' 10" West 33.21 feet to the point and place of BEGINNING, containing 0.035 acres, more or less. This description taken from a survey prepared by Evans Engineering, Inc., dated November 23, 1982.

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The property hereinabove described was acquired by Grantor by instrument recorded in Deed Book 3244

Page 9, Deed Book 3253, Page 553

A map showing the above described property is recorded in Plat Book .

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the aforesaid lot or parcel of land and all privileges and appurtenances thereto belonging to the Grantee in fee simple.

And the Grantor covenants with the Grantee, that Grantor is seized of the premises in fee simple, has the right to convey the same in fee simple, that title is marketable and free and clear of all encumbrances, and that Grantor will warrant and defend the title against the lawful claims of all persons whomsoever except for the exceptions hereinafter stated. Title to the property hereinabove described is subject to the following exceptions: NONE

This conveyance is made subject all easements, restrictions and rights of way of record (if any) and ad valorem taxes for 1995.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Grantor has hereunto set his hand and seal, or if corporate, has caused this instrument to be signed in its corporate name by its duly authorized officers and its seal to be hereunto affixed by authority of its Board of Directors, the day and year first above written.

(SEAL)

(Corporate Name)

Andrew Levitt (SEAL)
ANDREW LEVITT

By: _____

President

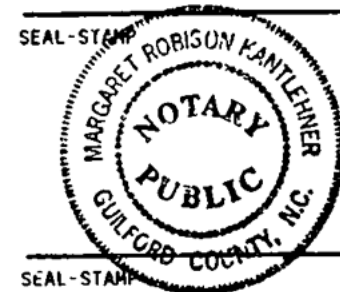
Peggy Whalen Levitt (SEAL)
PEGGY WHALEN-LEVITT

ATTEST: _____

Secretary (Corporate Seal)

(SEAL)

(SEAL)



NORTH CAROLINA, Guilford County.
I, a Notary Public of the County and State aforesaid, certify that _____
Andrew Levitt and Peggy Whalen Levitt
Grantor, personally appeared before me this day and acknowledged the execution of the foregoing instrument. Witness my hand and official stamp or seal, this 10 day of July, 19 95.
My commission expires: 7-8-97 Mary Jo Taylor Notary Public

SEAL-STAMP
NORTH CAROLINA, _____ County.
I, a Notary Public of the County and State aforesaid, certify that _____
Grantor, personally appeared before me this day and acknowledged the execution of the foregoing instrument. Witness my hand and official stamp or seal, this _____ day of _____, 19 _____.
My commission expires: _____ Notary Public

The foregoing Certificate(s) of _____

_____ This instrument and this certificate are duly registered at the date and time

North Carolina - Guilford County

The Certificate(s) of
Margaret Robison
Kantleher

RECORDED
INDEXED
FILED
JUL 11 1995
GUILFORD COUNTY, NC

07/11/1995
1 DEEDS \$6.00
1 DEEDS ADMM PGS \$2.00
1 PROBATE FEE \$2.00
1 EXCISE TAX STAMP \$140.00
872937

A Notary (Notaries) Public is (are) certified to be correct. This instrument and this certificate are duly registered at the date and time shown herein.

KATHERINE LEE PAYNE, REGISTER OF DEEDS

Katherine Lee Payne
Assistant/Deputy Register of Deeds

1880 Census- 235 South Davie Street (Different Address, Same House)

[illegible]

1900 Census- 437 Arlington Street

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TWELFTH CENSUS OF THE UNITED STATES.

173 A

State South Carolina
County Greenville

SCHEDULE No. 1.—POPULATION.

Supervisor's District No. 6 Sheet No. 20
Enumeration District No. 54

Township or other division of county South Gilmer

Name of Institution, _____

Name of incorporated city, town, or village, within the above-named division, _____

Ward of city, 3

Enumerated by me on the First 18 day of June, 1900,

Enumerator, J. C. Bain

Ward of city, 3
8656

IN CITIZEN.	NAME	RELATION.	PERSONAL DESCRIPTION.				NATIVITY.			CITIZENSHIP.			OCCUPATION, TRADE, OR PROFESSION.		EDUCATION.				VEGET. IF FEM.	
			AGE.	SEX.	DATE OF BIRTH.	Color or race.	Place of birth of this person.	Place of birth of father of this person.	Place of birth of mother of this person.	Has been naturalized.	Is an alien.	Is a native-born citizen.	Occupation.	Years of school attended.	Can read and write English.	Can speak English.	Can read and write English.	Can speak English.	Can read and write English.	Can speak English.
1	106 376	Black Miller	Head	M	Jan 1 1871 9 S		U	U	U				Day Labor	8	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
2		Stump Thomas	Head	M	Jan 3 1860 40 M		U	U	U				Day Labor	4	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
3		George	Son	M	Feb 1 1881 19 S		U	U	U				Day Labor	3	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
4		Black Miller	Head	M	Jan 14 1860 34 M		U	U	U				Day Labor	3	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
5		Reggie	Wife	F	Jan 11 1865 35 M		U	U	U						yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
6		John	Daughter	F	Mar 1 1885 15 S		U	U	U						yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
7		Ann	Daughter	F	Jan 1 1886 14 S		U	U	U						yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
8		Leah	Daughter	F	Nov 1 1893 6 S		U	U	U						yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
9		Pearl	Daughter	F	Oct 1 1897 2 S		U	U	U						yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
10		Shepard	Son	M	Apr 1 1890 10 S		U	U	U						yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
11	82 377	Blackwell Ed	Head	M	May 6 1880 20 M		U	U	U				Day Labor	0	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
12		Lucas	Wife	F	Nov 7 1881 18 M		U	U	U						yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
13	124 378	Black Linn	Head	M	Jan 5 1872 28 M		U	U	U				Lawyer	0	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
14		Lindsey L	Servant	M	Feb 5 1899 50 M		U	U	U						yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
15		Walter	u	M	Feb 2 1879 21 S		U	U	U						yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
16		Brown	u	M	Jan 6 1881 18 S		U	U	U				Day Labor	0	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
17		Brown	u	M	Jan 6 1881 18 S		U	U	U						yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
18	421 379	Black Miller	Head	M	Feb 1 1877 23 M		U	U	U				Eng	0	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
19		Black Miller	Wife	F	Mar 1 1881 23 M		U	U	U				Eng	0	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
20	427 380	Black Miller	Head	M	Jan 1 1881 23 M		U	U	U				Eng	0	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
21	427 381	Black Miller	Wife	F	Jan 1 1881 23 M		U	U	U				Eng	0	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
22		Black Miller	Son	M	Jan 23 1877 22 S		U	U	U				Eng	0	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
23		Black Miller	Daughter	F	Jan 23 1877 22 S		U	U	U				Eng	0	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
24	422 382	Black Miller	Head	M	Jan 23 1877 22 S		U	U	U				Eng	0	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
25		Black Miller	Wife	F	Jan 23 1877 22 S		U	U	U				Eng	0	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
26		Black Miller	Son	M	Jan 23 1877 22 S		U	U	U				Eng	0	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
27		Black Miller	Daughter	F	Jan 23 1877 22 S		U	U	U				Eng	0	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
28	428 383	Black Miller	Head	M	Jan 23 1877 22 S		U	U	U				Eng	0	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
29		Black Miller	Wife	F	Jan 23 1877 22 S		U	U	U				Eng	0	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
30		Black Miller	Son	M	Jan 23 1877 22 S		U	U	U				Eng	0	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
31		Black Miller	Daughter	F	Jan 23 1877 22 S		U	U	U				Eng	0	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
32		Black Miller	Son	M	Jan 23 1877 22 S		U	U	U				Eng	0	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
33		Black Miller	Daughter	F	Jan 23 1877 22 S		U	U	U				Eng	0	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
34		Black Miller	Son	M	Jan 23 1877 22 S		U	U	U				Eng	0	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
35	434 384	Black Miller	Head	M	Jan 23 1877 22 S		U	U	U				Eng	0	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
36		Black Miller	Wife	F	Jan 23 1877 22 S		U	U	U				Eng	0	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
37		Black Miller	Son	M	Jan 23 1877 22 S		U	U	U				Eng	0	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
38		Black Miller	Daughter	F	Jan 23 1877 22 S		U	U	U				Eng	0	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
39		Black Miller	Son	M	Jan 23 1877 22 S		U	U	U				Eng	0	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
40	437 385	Black Miller	Head	M	Jan 23 1877 22 S		U	U	U				Eng	0	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
41		Black Miller	Wife	F	Jan 23 1877 22 S		U	U	U				Eng	0	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
42		Black Miller	Son	M	Jan 23 1877 22 S		U	U	U				Eng	0	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
43		Black Miller	Daughter	F	Jan 23 1877 22 S		U	U	U				Eng	0	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
44	442 386	Black Miller	Head	M	Jan 23 1877 22 S		U	U	U				Eng	0	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
45		Black Miller	Wife	F	Jan 23 1877 22 S		U	U	U				Eng	0	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
46		Black Miller	Son	M	Jan 23 1877 22 S		U	U	U				Eng	0	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
47		Black Miller	Daughter	F	Jan 23 1877 22 S		U	U	U				Eng	0	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
48		Black Miller	Son	M	Jan 23 1877 22 S		U	U	U				Eng	0	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
49		Black Miller	Daughter	F	Jan 23 1877 22 S		U	U	U				Eng	0	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
50		Black Miller	Son	M	Jan 23 1877 22 S		U	U	U				Eng	0	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes

1910 Census- George A., Mary, and Nancy in Florence, South Carolina

STATE South Carolina COUNTY Florence TOWNSHIP OR OTHER DIVISION OF COUNTY Florence

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR-BUREAU OF THE CENSUS
THIRTEENTH CENSUS OF THE UNITED STATES: 1910-POPULATION

SUPERVISOR'S DISTRICT No. 2 SHEET No. 4 B

WARD OF CITY 1 ENUMERATOR Walter H. Bartlett

NAME OF INSTITUTION Florence NAME OF INCORPORATED PLACE Florence ENUMERATED BY ME ON THE 17 DAY OF May 1910.

LINE NO.	NAME	RELATION	PERSONAL DESCRIPTION	NATIVITY	EDUCATION	OCCUPATION	EDUCATION		OCCUPATION		EDUCATION		OCCUPATION	
							Years of Schooling	Years of College	Years of Trade School	Years of Business School	Years of Law School	Years of Medical School	Years of Theological School	Years of Other School
14	Womble Bryant S	Head	W 40 20 5	North Carolina	English	Farmer	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	
12	Hubbard James R	Head	W 40 31 11 7	Virginia	English	Farmer	10	0	0	0	0	0		
	William M	Wife	W 30 31 11 7	Virginia	English	None	10	0	0	0	0	0		
	William L	Son	W 10 6 3	Virginia	None	None	10	0	0	0	0	0		
	Helen E	Daughter	W 10 6 3	Virginia	None	None	10	0	0	0	0	0		
	Brown James S	Brother-in-law	W 40 37 11 16	Virginia	English	Engineer	10	0	0	0	0	0		
	Mary E	Sister-in-law	W 40 37 11 16	Virginia	English	None	10	0	0	0	0	0		
8	McLachlin Samuel M	Head	W 40 30 11 16	North Carolina	English	Teacher	10	0	0	0	0	0		
	Lucy	Wife	W 30 30 11 16	South Carolina	English	Teacher	10	0	0	0	0	0		
	Howard Helen S	Daughter	W 10 21 3	South Carolina	English	None	10	0	0	0	0	0		
	Leah	Daughter	W 10 13 3	South Carolina	English	Teacher	10	0	0	0	0	0		
	McLachlin Pety H	Son	W 10 11 3	South Carolina	English	None	10	0	0	0	0	0		
	McLachlin John J	Son	W 10 11 3	South Carolina	English	None	10	0	0	0	0	0		
	Watson William P	Son	W 10 23 3	Virginia	English	Farmer	10	0	0	0	0	0		
	Blackwell Burch	Son	W 10 71 11 1	South Carolina	English	Painter	10	0	0	0	0	0		
	Barnwell Albert	Son	W 10 55 3	South Carolina	English	Merchant	10	0	0	0	0	0		
	Casper Samuel B	Son	W 10 47 11 1	South Carolina	English	Farmer	10	0	0	0	0	0		
7	Jackson William J	Head	W 40 24 11 7	South Carolina	English	Farmer	10	0	0	0	0	0		
	Marjaret E	Wife	W 30 25 11 7	South Carolina	English	None	10	0	0	0	0	0		
	William J	Son	W 10 6 3	South Carolina	English	None	10	0	0	0	0	0		
11	Panner James H	Head	W 40 35 11 11	North Carolina	English	Merchant	10	0	0	0	0	0		
	James L	Son	W 10 25 11 11	South Carolina	English	None	10	0	0	0	0	0		
	Marjaret C	Daughter	W 10 10 3	South Carolina	English	None	10	0	0	0	0	0		
	Lucy	Daughter	W 10 5 3	South Carolina	English	None	10	0	0	0	0	0		
	James A	Son	W 10 5 3	South Carolina	English	None	10	0	0	0	0	0		
15	Perrett Rebecca	Head	W 40 27 3	South Carolina	English	Housekeeping	10	0	0	0	0	0		
	John S	Son	W 10 15 3	South Carolina	English	None	10	0	0	0	0	0		
	John S	Son	W 10 14 3	South Carolina	English	None	10	0	0	0	0	0		
	John O	Son	W 10 9 3	South Carolina	English	None	10	0	0	0	0	0		
	John	Son	W 10 6 3	South Carolina	English	None	10	0	0	0	0	0		
	Edwin	Son	W 10 6 3	South Carolina	English	None	10	0	0	0	0	0		
	Plager Emil N	Son	W 10 24 3	South Carolina	English	Merchant	10	0	0	0	0	0		
	Strickland Hector B	Son	W 10 20 3	Georgia	English	Merchant	10	0	0	0	0	0		
507	Butledge George B	Head	W 40 37 11 16	Virginia	English	Farmer	10	0	0	0	0	0		
	Edna M	Wife	W 30 27 11 16	Georgia	English	None	10	0	0	0	0	0		
	Harold E	Son	W 10 6 3	Georgia	English	None	10	0	0	0	0	0		
	William H	Son	W 10 5 3	Georgia	English	None	10	0	0	0	0	0		
	Raynell S	Son	W 10 6 3	Georgia	English	None	10	0	0	0	0	0		
	Marjaret E	Daughter	W 10 5 3	Georgia	English	None	10	0	0	0	0	0		
	Elizabeth S	Daughter	W 10 2 3	Georgia	English	None	10	0	0	0	0	0		
76	Abraham Alfred H	Head	W 40 30 3	Georgia	English	Farmer	10	0	0	0	0	0		
15	Moore John B	Head	W 40 22 11 11	South Carolina	English	Farmer	10	0	0	0	0	0		
	William A	Son	W 10 22 11 11	Georgia	English	None	10	0	0	0	0	0		
	John S	Son	W 10 14 3	Georgia	English	None	10	0	0	0	0	0		
11	Ashe George B	Head	W 40 35 11 14	North Carolina	English	Farmer	10	0	0	0	0	0		
	Willie E	Wife	W 30 35 11 14	North Carolina	English	None	10	0	0	0	0	0		
	George M	Son	W 10 7 3	North Carolina	English	None	10	0	0	0	0	0		
	Victor A	Son	W 10 4 3	North Carolina	English	None	10	0	0	0	0	0		
	James A	Son	W 10 3 3	North Carolina	English	None	10	0	0	0	0	0		
	Minnie	Daughter	W 10 2 3	North Carolina	English	None	10	0	0	0	0	0		

Greensboro N.C. City Directory from 1879

GREENSBORO, N. C., DIRECTORY. 97

Jones Thos J, supervisor stockade convicts, r Fayetteville
Jones Rev Turner M D D, Prest Greensboro Female College, r same
 Jordan A, bds Planters' Hotel
 Jordan Arthur [Houston & Jordan], bds Planters' Hotel
 Jordan Frank (c), carpenter, r n s Washington 1 w Gilmer
 Jordan Noell (c), r Warnersville
 Jordan Thomas (c), r e end Market
 Joyce Edward (c), painter, r w s Ashboro 3 s McCulloch
 Joyce Robert T, r e s Davie 1 n East Market
 Julian Jesse, r s end Ashboro

KEELING ANNIE T, r n s Washington 1 e Davie

Keeling John L, genl merchandise, e s Elm 2 s Market, r n s Washington 1 e Davie

Keeling Spencer P, r n s Washington 1 e Davie

Keen Nannie (c), r n s Mebane road 2 w R R depot

Kelham David, r Jonesboro

Kellam Eliza, wid, r Jonesboro

Kellam Nelson, wheelwright and wagon maker, s s Sycamore 2 e Davie, r Jonesboro road

Kellam Nathaniel, wks George H Coble, r Jonesboro

Kelly John A (c), meat market City Market House, r w s Forbes 2 s Sycamore

Kendall John J, machinist, r n s East Market 1 e Percy

Kennedy S D, passenger agent Pennsylvania Railroad, office Elm opp R & D Depot

Keogh Thomas B [Keogh & Barringer], r s w cor Gorrell and Ashboro

Keogh & Barringer [Thomas B Keogh and John A Barringer], attys at law, w s Elm 3 s Sycamore

Kerr Cyrus M, poultry, fruits and furs, w s Davie 2 s Sycamore, r n end Davie

Kerr Samuel A, clk C G Yates

Kersey David, carpenter, r n w cor Bragg and Mebane road

Kersey Millard, carpenter, r n w cor Bragg and Mebane road

Kestler Geo W [Odell, Ragan & Co], r e s Davie 3 s Fayetteville

George A. Kestler Draft Card, World War I

REGISTRATION CARD

SERIAL NUMBER 704 ORDER NUMBER A480

1 *George Alexander Kestler*

2 PERMANENT HOME ADDRESS
26 De Jarroff Florence S.C.

3 Age in Years *43* Date of Birth *15 1875*

4 RACE
☒ White ☐ Negro ☐ Oriental ☐ Indian ☐ Citizen ☐ Non-citizen

5 U. S. CITIZEN
☒ Naturalized ☐ Citizen by Father's Naturalization Before Registrant's Majority

6 ALIEN
☐ Declarant ☐ Non-declarant

7 PRESENT OCCUPATION *Hostler* EMPLOYER'S NAME *E. J. Smith*

8 PLACE OF CURRENT OR RESIDENT *Church of Florence Florence S.C.*

9 NEAREST RELATIVE *Mrs. Mollie E. Kestler (wife)*
26 De Jarroff Florence S.C.

I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE VERIFIED ABOVE ANSWERS AND THAT THEY ARE TRUE

P. M. G. O. *George Alexander Kestler*

39-1-17, C
REGISTRAR'S REPORT

DESCRIPTION OF REGISTRANT

HEIGHT			BUILD			COLOR OF EYES	COLOR OF HAIR
Tall	Medium	Short	Slender	Medium	Stout		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 21	<input type="checkbox"/> 22	<input type="checkbox"/> 23	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 24	<input type="checkbox"/> 25	<input type="checkbox"/> 26	<i>Blue</i>	<i>Light</i>

29 Has person lost arm, leg, hand, eye, or is he obviously physically disqualified? (Specify.)
No

30 I certify that my answers are true; that the person registered has read or has had read to him his own answers; that I have witnessed his signature or mark, and that all of his answers of which I have knowledge are true, except as follows:

Date of Registration *Sept 13, 1918* *W. E. Gray* (Signature of Registrar)

LOCAL BOARD FOR THE
COUNTY OF FLORENCE,
State of South Carolina

(STAMP OF LOCAL BOARD)

(The name of the Local Board having jurisdiction of the area in which the registrant has his permanent home shall be placed in this box.)

9-1-17 (OVER)

Florence, South Carolina City Directory 1913-1914

WILSON BOOK CO.

27 East Evans Street

Books, Stationery, Sheet Music,
Magazines and Office
Supplies

WE CAN FURNISH ELECTRICITY OUR PRICES ARE THE LOWEST
FOR ALL PURPOSES
Cooking, Heating, Lighting and Power
FLORENCE ELECTRIC & UTILITY CO.
If you will make your wants known we will take
pleasure in quoting you price.

Our Service is the Best Modern Equipment can Make

150 FLORENCE, S C [1913-14] DIRECTORY

Kennerly M M (Nellie), flgmn A C L R R, h 10 n McFarland
Kennon Richard (Letha), tinner, h 217 w Palmetto
*Kershaw Edward (Annie), bellman Hotel Florence, h Marlboro
nr Irby
*Kershaw Lena, laund, h 8 n Ravenell
*Kerse Henry, ice cream parlor (r) 15 e Evans
Kestler Geo A (Mollie E), engr A C L R R, h 8 s Harlee
Kestler Nannie Mrs, h 8 s Harlee
Keys Robt T, rdmstr, h 500 e Cheves
Keystone Pecan Orchard Co, 14 1/2 w Evans, J D Evans pres
Kilgore Marsden L Rev (Louise C), pastor 1st Baptist Church, h
416 e Cheves
*Kilgore Thos (Adeline), lab, h 642 Wilson
Kineaid Ola Miss, clk J L Barringer, rms 15 n Gaillard
*Kinde Jas (Marie), fireman S A L R R, h 116 e Marion
*King Annie, cook, h 1113 Magnolia
King Jas L (Carrie), carp, h 11 s R R av
King Jas W, h 301 w Cheves
King Lawrence Y (Agnes), phys 7 s Dargan, h 301 w Cheves
*King Lydia, h 6 Front
King Mary Dudley Miss, student, h 301 w Cheves
KING O V (Katherine), mngr The Daniel Lbr Co, h 103 w Dar-
lington
King S J Mrs, h 711 e Evans
*Kinley Lottie, laund, h 609 Wilson
Kirby N J (Annie), (Smith & Kirby), h 710 e Ellis
Kirk E B, trav slsmn, bds Hotel Florence
Kirkham James, civil engr, h 401 e Cheves
Kirkham M Celeste wid J C, h 401 e Cheves
Kirkland Wm G, slsmn J L Barringer, bds 114 s Barringer
Klintworth Jno J (Edith), gro 1 s Ravenell, h 19 same
Klyne Philip, clk Florence Dept Store
*Knight Sarah, laund, h 531 Stackley
KNOXVILLE DIRECTORY CO, Asheville N C, E H Miller mngr
Koopman Flossie Miss, phone opr, h 101 e Pine
Koopman Fred (Mary G), clk J F Stackley Co, h 10 n Church
Koopman Fred Jr (Addie), flgmn, h 711 e Pine
Koopman Fredericka Miss, h 425 s Church
Koopman H H, mchst, h 101 e Pine
Koopman Jacob, emp W U Tel Co, h 10 n Church
Koopman Jno, mchst A C L R R, h 10 n Church
Koopman Jno J (Eva), police, h 101 e Pine
Kuker D T, bkkpr, h 125 w Palmetto
Kuker Jno (Louise), pres Com Savings Bank and v-pres Florence
L & I Co, h 125 s Irby

Carolina Real Estate and Insurance Company

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George W. and Nancy Kessler Marriage Record, Chatham County 1855

CABARRUS COUNTY MARRIAGE BONDS

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GROOM	BRIDE	DATE OF BOND	BOND MAN & WITNESS
Kestler, G(eorge) W.	Nancy C. Cress	25 Apr. 1855 m. 25 Apr. 1855 by P. F. Kistler, M.G.	J. N. Brown (w) John Wilkinson
Kestler, James M. x	Mary Phillips	11 Apr. 1863	M. W. Rainy (w) J. Young, Clk.
Kestler, Ransom A. x	Laura Jane Banker	27 Dec. 1865	Jery M. Kesler (w) J. C. Wallace, Clk.
Kestler, Samuel	Elizabeth Wisenhimer	6 Apr. 1845	
Kestler, W(m.) M.	Sally Wisenhimer	19 Dec. 1865	Alfred Litzker (w) J. C. Wallace, Clk.
Ketner, Dawalt (Ger.)	Mary Isehour	17 Jan. 1819	John Smith (Ger.)
Ketner, Peter	Elizabeth Isehour	29 Jan. 1822	Michael Overcash (Ger.) (w) David Storke
Ketner, Peter	Nancy Eddleman	20 July 1847	Henry Pless (w) R. W. Foard
Keys, Hiram x	Adaline McColloms	27 Aug. 1861	J. W. Long (w) Joseph Young, D.C.
Killogh, David	Sophia Gardner	4 Dec. 1793	Danl. Alexander (w) John Simianer
Killough, D(avid) B.	Jane M. Irvin	28 Jan. 1856 m. 31 Jan. 1856 by John E. Pressly, M.G.	James H. Smith (w) John Wilkinson
Killough, David B.	Elizabeth J. Irvin	23 Oct. 1837	S(amuel) P. Caldwell
Killough, James	Priscille Hamilton	11 Nov. 1826	William Killough (w) Dan. Hamilton
Killough, James W.	Nancy J. Ross	2 Jan. 1848	John C. Ross (w) R. W. Foard
Killough, Saml.	Jemima Nelson	22 Feb. 1826	Danl. Coleman
Killough, Samuel S.	Edith L. Cochran	26 Sept. 1855 m. 4 Oct. 1855 by -----	J. W. Kesler (w) J. W. Scott, Clk.
Killough, Thomas x	Margaret Hamilton	10 Nov. 1819	William Killough (w) John Travis
Killough, Am. J.	Elizabeth Frazier	23 Feb. 1841	Thomas H. Hamilton (w) K.P. Harris
Kimball, Harris	Margaret Leopard	18 Oct. 1841	Henry Brown (w) Kiah P. Harris
Kimbral, M. . . x	Elizabeth Scott	4 Feb. 1867	Paul Pennington (w) J.O. Wallace, Clk.

George A. and Mary Kessler Marriage Record, July 10, 1896

State of North Carolina,

GUILFORD COUNTY.

Office of Register of Deeds,

July 10th, 1896

To any Minister of any Religious Denomination, or any Justice of the Peace of said county:

I, George A. Kestler, having applied to me for a license for the marriage of
himself of Guilford County aged 21 years,
 color White, the son of George W. Kestler, and Minnie Kestler
 the father now Living, the mother Living, resident of Guilford County.
 And Mollie E. Kestler of Guilford County aged 18 years,
 color White, daughter of John Kestler and Mary Kestler
 the father Living, the mother Living, resident of Guilford County N.C.

*And the written consent of _____ the _____ of the
 said _____ to the proposed marriage having been filed with me.

And there being no legal impediment to such marriage known to me, you are hereby authorized, at any time within
 one year from the date hereof, to celebrate the proposed marriage at any place within the said County.

YOU ARE REQUIRED WITHIN TWO MONTHS after you shall have celebrated such marriage to return
 this License to me at my office, with your signature subscribed to the certificate under this License, and with the blanks
 therein filled according to the facts, under penalty of forfeiting two hundred dollars to the use of any person who shall
 sue for the same.

A. J. Kirkman

Register of Deeds.

1 Name of person applying for license. 2 Name of man to be married, in full. 3 Residence. 4 Age. 5 White or colored. 6 Father of man to be married. 7 Mother
 of man to be married. 8 Living or dead. 9 Living or dead. 10 Residence, if known, if not state unknown. 11 Name of woman to be married, in full. 12 Resi-
 dence. 13 Age. 14 White or colored. 15 Father's name. 16 Mother's name. 17 Living or dead. 18 Living or dead. 19 Residence, if known, if not state un-
 known. *If both parties are over 18 strike out.

Geo A. Kestler

applicant for above Marriage License, being duly
 sworn, says: That the parties above licensed are of lawful age, and that so far as he is informed and believes there
 is no lawful cause or impediment forbidding said marriage.

Witness:

Charles E. Moore

Geo. A. Kestler

Applicant.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 10 day of July, 1896

A. J. Kirkman

Register of Deeds

Per S. A. Kirkman Deputy

I, J. D. Miller, a Minister of the P. E. Church

united in matrimony: Geo. A. Kestler and Mollie E. Kestler

the parties licensed above on the 11 day of July, 1896, at Residence

of Geo. W. Kestler in Greensboro, N.C.

Township, in said County, according to law.

*Witnesses present at marriage:

J. D. Miller

Minister

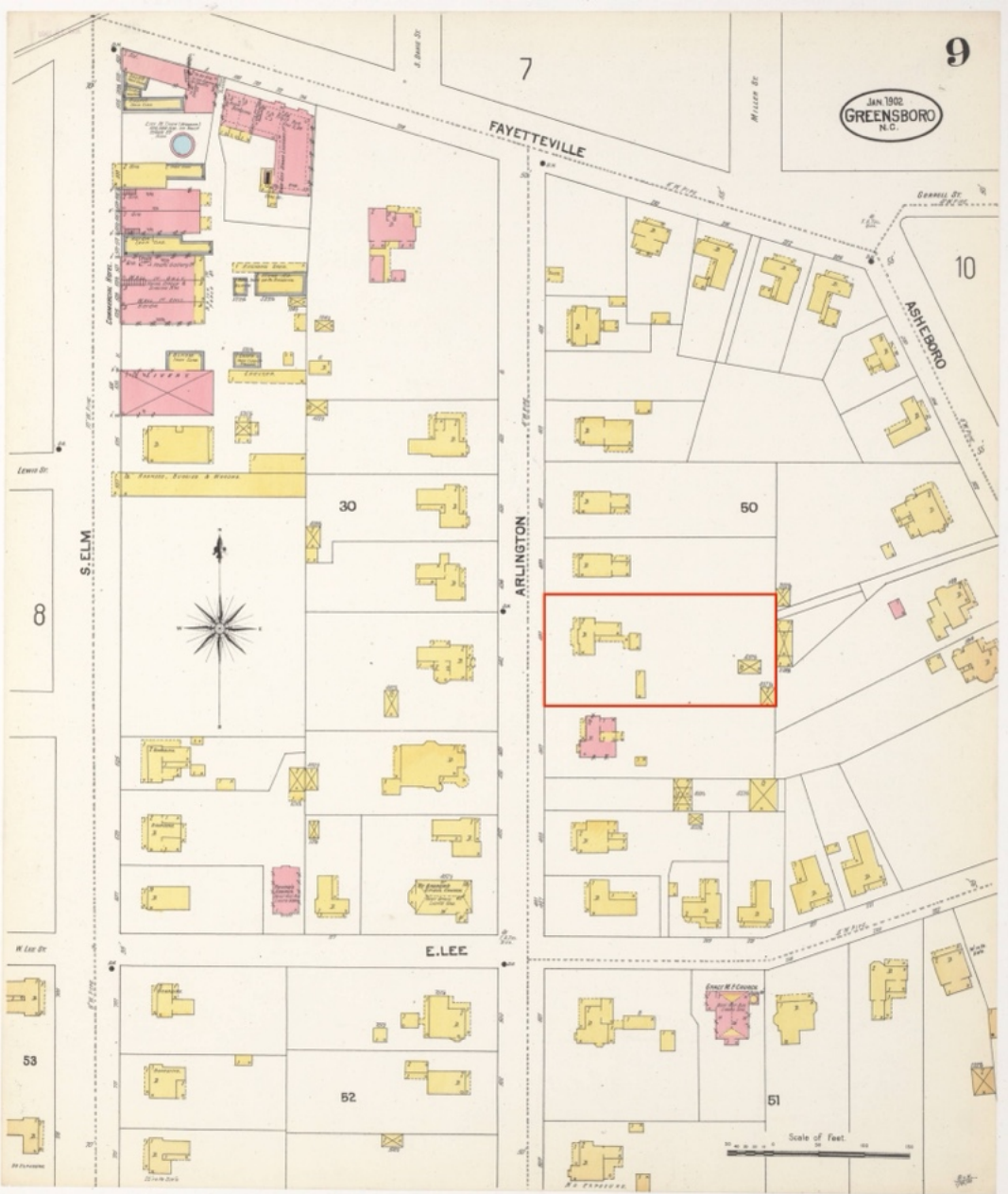
Mrs. G. S. Sergeant of Greensboro, N.C.

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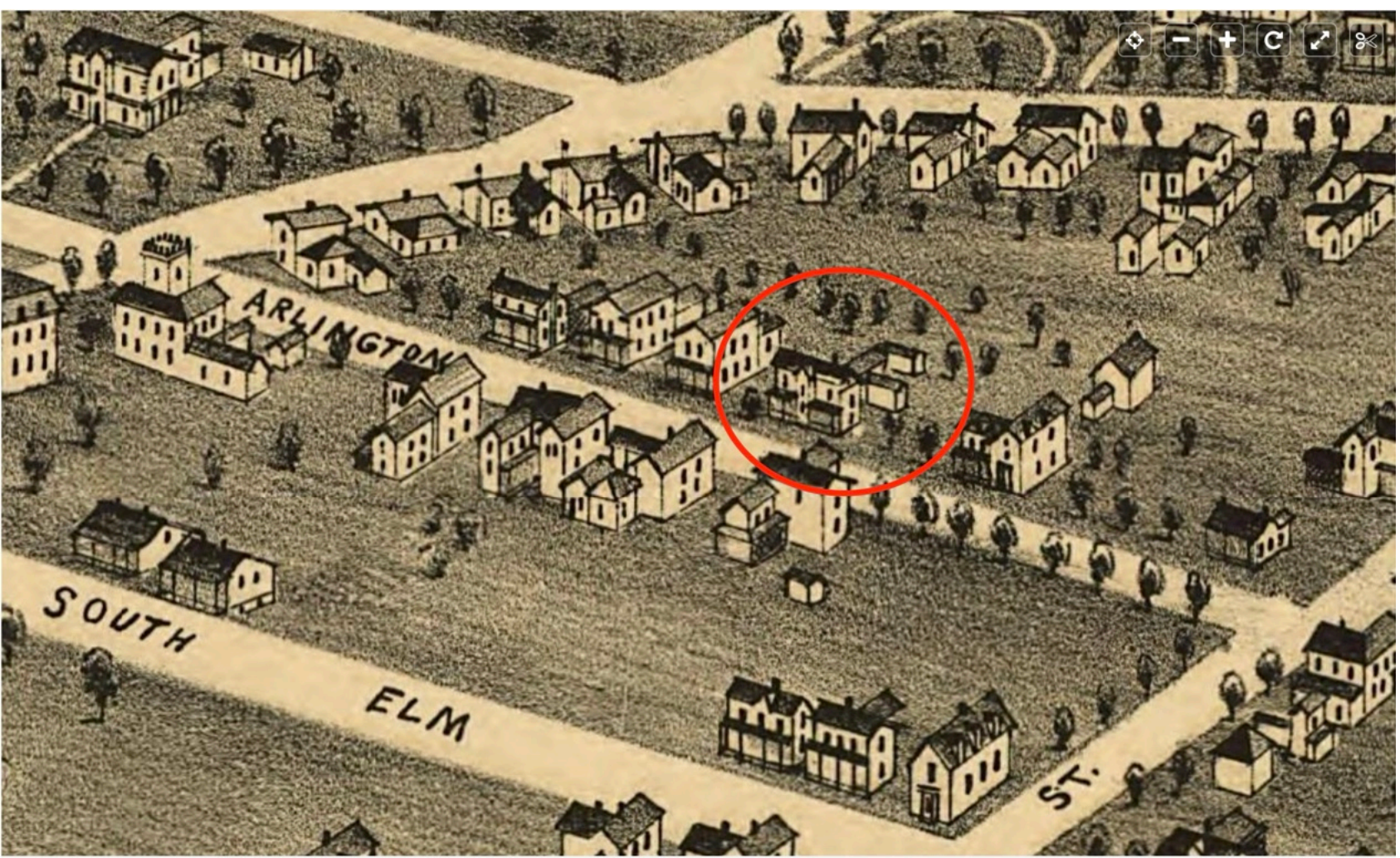
Frank Thornton " "

1 Name of person officiating. 2 If minister, of what denomination, if Justice of the Peace so state. 3 Name of man married. 4 Name of woman married. 5 Place of
 marriage. 6 Township. *At least three persons present at marriage must sign as witnesses.

Sanborn Insurance Map, 1902



Detail of George and Nancy Kestler House from 1891 View of Greensboro



Improvements about Town.

ASHE STREET—On west side near its intersection with Walker Avenue, Mr. Eli C. Townsend is erecting two frame houses for rent, two stories, four rooms front, with rear extension. They are very pleasantly situated, being near the depot and convenient to the business portion of the city.

DAVIE STREET—On east side, between Ashboro and Lee, Mr. G. W. Kestler has completed and is now occupying a well-located two story frame house. In same neighborhood, and nearly opposite Mr. Kestler's residence, Mr. Geo. S. Sergeant is building a two story frame dwelling. This portion of the city, generally known as Shieldstown, is building up rapidly.

CEDAR STREET—On west side, near the northern corporation limits, Mr. Geo. W. Alley has completed and is now occupying a two story frame dwelling; very pleasantly situated.

EDGORTH STREET—On west side, near northern limits of the city, Mr. F. N. Ingold has finished a neat two story dwelling.

SOUTH ELM STREET.—Messrs. Starr & Co. are preparing to put up a building opposite the Express office for the manufacture and sale of their celebrated candies.

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For Mayor,

COL. JOHN A. SLOAN.

For Commissioners,

North Ward—W. B. BOGART,
H. H. TATE,
JULIUS A. GRAY.

South Ward—Col. THOS. McMAHON,
G. M. KESTLER,
CHAS. E. SHOBER.

[Advertisement.]

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COL. JOHN A. SLOAN.

For Commissioners,

North Ward—GEORGE DONNELL,
W. C. PORTER,
J. W. SCOTT.

South Ward—W. H. HILL,
J. B. BALSLEY,
J. A. ODELL.

the 24th and 25th.			
The election for Mayor and City Commissioners of Greensboro, on Monday last, resulted as follows:			
FOR MAYOR:			
R. R. King	246	R. K. Gregory	11
FOR COMMISSIONERS—North Ward.			
H. H. Tate	241	George Donnell	50
George W. Alley	240	J. Tim Smith	18
Charles G. Yates	198	L. R. Johnson	15
South Ward.			
W. E. Bevill	219	G. W. Kestler	46
L. M. Scott	199	G. Will Armfield	41
A. J. Brockman	242	W. E. Holly	15

ELLEN GAMBLE, a colored domestic in
the family of Mr. G. W. Kestler, died Mon-
day of apoplexy. The remains were taken
to High Point for interment.

CONDITION OF THE TOWNSHIP IS MISERABLE.
Mrs. H. W. Kestler and Mr. Charles
Shepherd, of Gibsontown, have been in the
city visiting the family of Mr. George W.
Kestler.

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Manager.

IN addition to the splendid Hot Soda apparatus now in readiness for dispensing all the latest winter drinks at the Asheboro street Pharmacy, they have also added a line of real nice fancy goods suitable for Christmas and bridal presents. It will be to your interest to see them before buying.

GEO. W. KESTLER & SON., Prop's.
W. C. PORTER, Mg'r. d-11-1w

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Kestler left at noon today, for Burlington, where Mr. Kestler has bought a drug store. After closing the trade, Mr. and Mrs. Kestler will return to Greensboro. The business at Burlington will be managed by Mr. S. S. Haithcock, of this city.

Messrs. George W. Kestler & Son,
the clever proprietors of South Side
Pharmacy, have added to their stock
a complete line of school stationery.
They have a convenient stand for the
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KNOCKED IN THE HEAD.

Dock Patterson Claims to Have Been Robbed Last Night.

A white man very much under the influence of liquor, giving his name as Dock Patterson, and hailing from Chatham county, claims that he was knocked in the head by a negro last night and robbed of his valise, containing three suits of clothes. As he tells the story it is about as follows:

He is not very well acquainted with Greensboro, and was wandering about looking for a cheap place to stay all night. A colored man whom he does not know, volunteered to assist him and started off with him, telling him he knew a good place where he could get lodging for fifteen cents. Starting out through South Greensboro Patterson says he expressed fears that he would be robbed, whereupon the negro drew a sling shot from his pocket and said if any one attempted to rob him he (the negro) would settle him in short order. This reassured Patterson and when somewhere in a dark place on Bragg street he told the negro he did not believe there was any boarding house out there. To this the negro quickly responded:

"No, there is no boarding house here, but I'll take care of you," and as he said this struck him on the head with the slingshot, knocking him down, and grabbing the valise, made off with it in the darkness. Patterson was found by some one in passing and carried to Kestler's drug store where his wound was dressed. There is an ugly hole in his head, but it is not thought to be serious.

The negro is not known, but the police is working on the case, and there is evidence in hand which may lead to the discovery and arrest of the robber.

the discussion, as asked for in the call and the petition upon which the call was made. He was sure the business men did not want it to go out all over North Carolina that the business of Greensboro had been injured during the past year; they did not want it advertised to the commercial world that, instead of moving forward and progressing, business had gone backward and stagnated. In order that what the business men of Greensboro have said on the question, he asked that some facts and figures be laid before this meeting, and that the true condition of affairs might be placed before the world, he introduced the following resolution:

Resolved, By this convention of citizens of Greensboro, called together by the Industrial and Immigration Association, at the request of Mr. Moses H. Cone and others, to discuss whether or not the dispensary has been a detriment to the business of the city, that, after hearing the evidence, it is of the opinion that the evidence overwhelmingly establishes as a fact that the dispensary has not in the least been a detriment to the business of the city; but on the contrary that the business of the city has been better during the last year than ever before in its history.

The chair declared the question open for discussion, when the following signed statements were read:

STATEMENT OF MERCHANTS AND BUSINESS MEN.

We, the undersigned merchants and business men of the city of Greensboro, do not believe that the dispensary has been a detriment to the business of Greensboro:

C. O. Forbis, Cunningham Bros.,
W. R. Forbis, Wharton Bros.,
W. S. Moore, W. M. Barber,
G. W. Denny, J. M. Hendrix & Co.,
N. C. Weatherly, L. A. Smithdale,
R. G. Vaughn, Tr. Drs. R. L. & E.
Greensboro H. Moore,
Loan & Trust Co. W. F. Blount,
Thacher & Brock, W. P. Beall,
mass, Howard Gardner,
Sample Brown W. C. McLean,
Merc. Co., O. V. Carr & Co.,
J. W. Merritt, A. M. Parham,
Jesse B. Stroud, Jno. B. Wright,
Fleming & Ford, Johnson & Dorsett,
ham, Geo. R. Dupuy,
Mrs. Gorrell & R. G. Fortune,
Dorsett, Chas. S. Shaw,
Wemble & Womble, D. A. Bowles,
Co., Gullford Lumber
W. E. Coffin, Co.,
John Lewis, T. T. Brooks,
H. B. Tatam, J. M. Love,
M. G. Newell, Stack Bros.,
J. A. Fay & Egan S. S. Harvey,
Co., Morrison & Bro.,
W. C. Balc, Cape Fear Mfg. Co.,
C. C. Townsend, Edmund Harrison,
Jno. M. Silvers, Odell Hardware Co.,
Jno. W. McNairy, F. C. Boyles,
J. R. Messendenhall, Wakefield Hard-
ware Co.,
Works, J. A. Tate,
A. A. McDuffie, G. T. McLamb,
Harry-Bell Bros. Bixton & Jen-
Co., nings,
E. M. Caldecleugh A. F. Brooks,
& Bro., Hunter Mfg. and
W. L. Wharton Com. Co.,
& Co., C. H. Williams,
W. J. Richardson W. R. Troxler,
A. D. Jones & Co., T. A. Hatch &
James A. Hodgin, Co.,
Tr. Savings Bk. R. G. Burgess,
Woodward & Mc- W. F. Trogdon;
culston, J. M. Dick & Co.,
E. R. Tucker, So. Import and
J. R. Donnell & Commission Co.,
Co., and Plant Co.,
C. L. Stratford, J. H. Nease,
Crutchfield Hard- E. L. Stamey,
ware Co., W. A. Fields,
B. E. Sergeant, Geo. W. Kestler,
B. L. Beall, T. G. McLean &
Geo. S. Sergeant, Son,
W. L. Underwood, A. E. B. Alford,
So. Greensboro W. A. Brown,
Market Co., J. W. Scott & Co.,
Geo. W. White, J. A. Pritchett,
J. A. Odell, A. P. Eckel;
R. H. Brooks, W. E. Bevil,
L. V. Butler, J. F. Yates,
H. A. Garrett, C. A. Clapp,
D. H. Blair, G. H. Royster,
R. W. Williams, R. W. Brooks,
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A. L. Rankin, J. B. Minor,
R. M. Phillips, R. G. White,
W. G. Balsley, G. W. Whitsett,
Harry Hunter, M. L. Hanner,
J. C. Olive, W. W. Howe,
E. M. McKnight, Peter P. Yates,
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& Vaughn, Southern Tobacco Co.,
Southern Tobacco Co., J. W. Landresh,
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J. H. Merritt, Rainey & Mo-
Greensboro Spoke Knighs,
& Bending M. S. Sherwood,
Works, E. L. Sides,

Mr. J. B. Mason, of Chapel Hill, is
visiting his daughter, Mrs. George
Kestler, on Arlington street.

Little Hope of Recovery.

At a late hour yesterday afternoon George W. Kestler was said to be in a very low state. Mr. Kestler has been in very poor health for some time, which with his old age leaves very little hope for his recovery.

DEATH OF GEORGE W. KESTLER

George W. Kestler died last night about 8:30 o'clock at his home, 444 Gorrell street. The deceased was 85 years of age, and had been critically ill for some time. The funeral will be held at the family residence at 3 o'clock this afternoon. The services will be conducted by the Rev. T. H. Bell, pastor of Centenary M. E. church. The deceased was a Mason and the Masonic lodge will have charge of the funeral. The interment will take place in Greene Hill cemetery. A widow and one grown son survive the deceased.

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Mrs. George W. Kestler is visiting
relatives at Concord.
Miss Daisy Rankin is visiting rela-

Mrs. George W. Kestler, of Florence,
S. C., is visiting the family of J. C.
Benson.

Mrs. George W. Kestler is spending a few days with her nephew, J. C. Benson, on her way home to Florence, S. C. Mrs. Kestler has been in Concord on a visit to relatives.

AROUND TOWN

John Benson yesterday received a letter from George A. Kestler informing him of the serious illness of the writer's mother, Mrs. Kestler, the widow of the late George W. Kestler. She lived in Florence, S. C., but has many friends here. A fortnight ago Mrs. Kestler broke her hip in a fall and has not improved.

A message received here yesterday brought the news of the death of Mrs. George W. Kestler at the home of her son, George A. Kestler, at Florence, S. C., Saturday night following an illness of three weeks after an injury to her hip when she fell in her home. The remains will be brought to Greensboro this morning and the interment will be made today in Greene Hill cemetery, where her husband was buried eight years ago. Mrs. Kestler is remembered by many residents of Greensboro, where she resided for 25 years or more until the death of her husband.

Russians Report Killed On

the country.

D. Curtis & Co.,

Retail dealers of general merchandise. The senior member of the firm, D. Curtis, and G. W. Kestler, one of the company, manage the business. These gentlemen, like the Odells, have worked their way up from the humble walks of life. They were both born in Randolph, and were connected with the cotton factories in that county. Mr. Curtis become manager of the Deep River Manufacturing Company in 1861, which position he held until 1879. He married a daughter of George Makepiece, the founder of cotton factories in Randolph county. In January, 1881, Mr. Curtis, with his family, removed to this place and has been successfully conducting the retail business. Both Mr. Curtis and Mr. Kestler are members of the firm of Odell & Co.

J. W. Scott & Co.,

Groceries, Notions and Fancy Goods.

The Fruit and Flower Show.

The fruit and flower show held at Benbow hall, last week, under the auspices of the State Fruit Growers Association, proved a most gratifying success. It was gotten up at short notice, but the display of fruits and flowers was both attractive and extensive. The fair was a novel suggestion, and originated with Mr. J. Van Lindley, who is one of our most public spirited citizens and who has long been identified with the fruit interest in the county. He had misgivings about its success, at the inception, but they all vanished when the hall was thrown open last Friday. Tables extending lengthwise and crosswise the hall were loaded with a most tempting display of strawberries, cherries and roses, presenting a novel and beautiful picture. We noticed fourteen different varieties of strawberries, thirteen varieties of cherries and over sixty varieties of roses. The Sharpless strawberry distanced all others in size. Many of them were as large as hen eggs. Mrs. Hugh Peters, of this place, exhibited a plate of these berries that was truly wonderful. Several collections, notably those exhibited by J. Van Lindley, G. L. Anthony and Mrs. Mary Wilson, attracted a great deal of attention. The flower exhibition was superb, fully maintaining the distinction our town and county enjoys as the "Kingdom of Flowers." The most attractive exhibition was that made by Mrs. J. S. Ragsdale, of Jamestown, consisting of a floral harp, vase and arch. Suspending from the arch was a perfectly formed bell, containing sixty different varieties of roses. [Our venerable and distinguished looking friend Mr. Thomas W. Cook, who was at the PATRIOT'S elbow, whispered into our reportorial ear that "Jimmie" could beat the world in smart women and pretty flowers.] The exhibits made by Mrs. Dr. Hall, Mrs. J. A. Odell, Mrs. Robt. Vernon, Mrs. George Kestler, of Greensboro, deserve special mention. Some beautiful bouquets of cut flowers were exhibited by Mrs. J. S. Hunter and Mrs. G. L. Anthony. A large and varied collection of pot plants, magnolias and lillies were shown. Altogether the fair was a splendid success. The following premiums were awarded:

FOUL MURDER IN GREENSBORO

LAST THURSDAY NIGHT.

**Sam Brooks Brutally Murdered--
The Murderer Supposed to be
a Negro Man named
John Sellars.**

Last Thursday night while our quiet town was enveloped in a thick mist at about 9 o'clock, a sickening, brutal murder was accomplished. An old colored man, Sam Brooks, by name, who was known to be a peaceable man, honest and thrifty, was taken from this world in a horrible and unnatural way. Sam is supposed to have saved up quite a large sum of money, for a darky, and as he did not bank, it was probably in his house. But is not known how much was taken from him by the robber. He kept a store in East Greensboro near the colored graded School, and it is supposed he had not closed up for the night when this robber or robbers entered. The people in his neighborhood had gone to church; the murder would have, otherwise, been an impossibility at that time of the night.

JNO. DONNELL (COL.) FINDS BROOKS.

A colored man named Jno. Donnell, was passing the store about a quarter past nine o'clock and heard loud breathing and on going to the door found it bolted, but on going to the rear of the house he found a window partly raised and climbed in at this window and lit a lamp, on going into the store-room he discovered Brooks lying in a corner of the room in a pool of blood, with his head horribly gashed as if by some sharp instrument. Brooks was breathing laboriously and was unconscious, in which state he continued all night, and at 9 o'clock next morning he died, there were five deep gashes on his head a severe cut on the wrist of each arm.

CORONER'S VERDICT.

Mr. W. M. Donnell, our Coroner, with the following gentlemen as jurors: E. M. Hendrix, Jno. Barker, J. M. Wolfe, G. W. Kessler, D. E. Thomas, T. M. Vickard, with Dr. Chas. Glenn as surgeon, examined Brooks' wounds carefully and the jury rendered the verdict that Sam Brooks came to his death by blows on the head from an ax in the hands of an assassin.

JNO SELLARS SUSPECTED.

One of the witnesses examined (Sellars) talked too much for his own good, in fact he made several contradictory statements, showed that he was very nervous; on being closely examined he volunteered the remark that, "one thing certain gentlemen I did not kill Sam Brooks."

NO ONE ACCUSED HIM.

Col. Morehead then asked the witness who had accused him of the murder. Sellars said the darkies had accused him; on being asked to particularize, he named a colored man whom he said had accused him of the murder. This man was then called on the stand and on being cross questioned, denied having accused Sellars of being the murderer. Sellars admitted he was in Brook's store a short while before the murder occurred and that when he left there were two white men in the store but no white men were seen by other witnesses.

BLOODY COIN FOUND ON SELLARS' PERSON.

Sellars was known to be without money the afternoon before the murder, but on being examined next day was found to have \$2.07 in coin in his pocket, and on examining one of the coins with a powerful microscope stains of fresh blood were found on it.

SELLARS CHANGED CLOTHES.

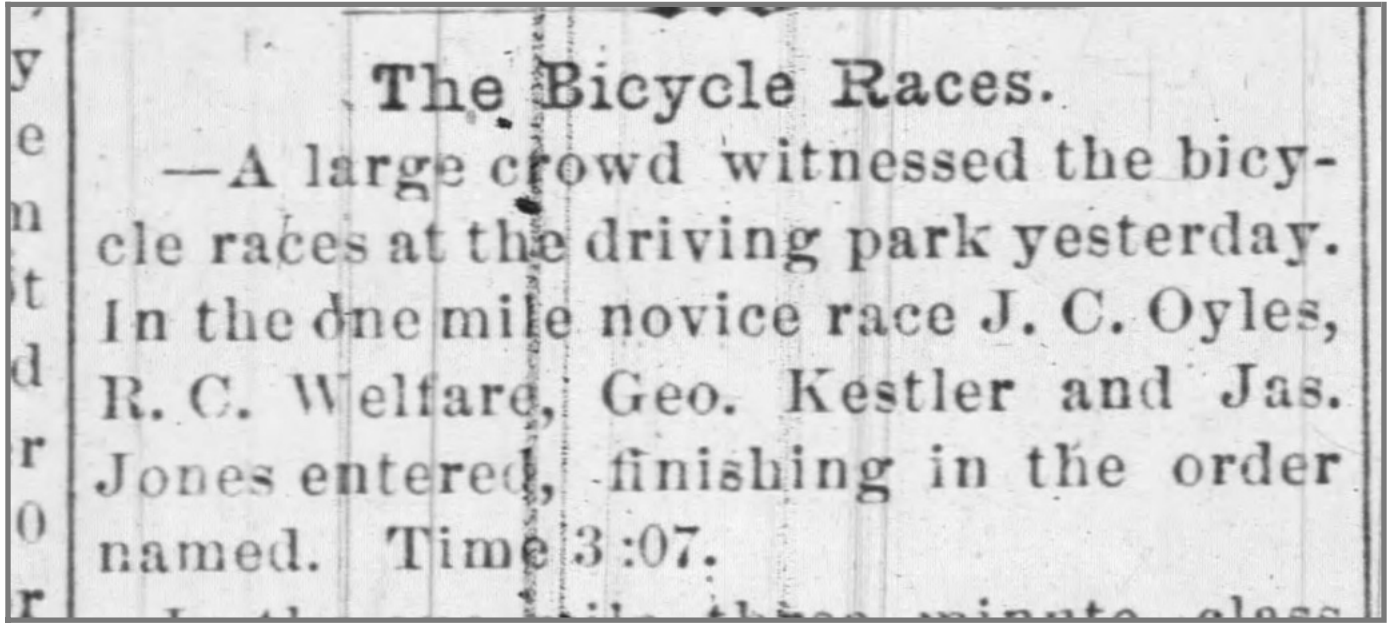
The prisoner is known to have changed his clothes on the night of the murder, and were found covered up with water in a tub.

MARY ROGERS' TESTIMONY.

Mary Rogers on being sworn testified that she had gone to Brooks' store a few moments before the murder and had bought a bale of snuff, giving for it a 3 and 2 cent piece, the coins found on Sellars corresponded to the ones spoken of by Mary Rogers.

Sellars is now in jail waiting his trial.

OLD NEWS SERVICE



—In reporting the meeting of the stockholders of the Odell Manufacturing company at Concord last week the Times says: “During the past year the mills manufactured 17,866,208 yards of goods, and 186 062 seamless bags. The mills were run 301 days during the year. There was paid out for cotton \$234,245.20; to operatives, \$126,502.60; for wood and coal, \$24,548.58; for taxes, \$3,212.13. A large proportion of this money was turned loose right here in Concord, and who can estimate the good effect of it upon business of the town? Since December 31, 1893, the mills have added \$14,804.16 worth of new machinery. A semi-annual dividend of 4 per cent. was declared by the directors.” Messrs. J. A. Odell and Geo. W. Kestler, of this city, were among the stockholders present.

Found Death in the Flames.

The people of Greensboro were horrified last Thursday upon learning that two colored children had been roasted alive. The children belonged to Mary Vanstory, an industrious colored woman who cooks for the family of Mr. Kestler, on Arlington street. She occupied the rear part of a two-story house on South Forbis street, near East Sycamore, owned by W. D. McAdoo. She was in the habit of leaving the children during the day in charge of a young colored girl named Lena Pritchett. At the time of the disaster the eldest child, a girl about seven years of age, was confined to her bed, having been badly burned some weeks ago about the feet and legs. The other, a little boy about two years old, was toddling about the room. When Lena left the children shortly after four o'clock to go three or four hundred yards for a bucket of water there was but little fire in the room. Undoubtedly the little boy's clothing caught on fire and the flames were communicated to the straw bed upon which the other child was lying. Upon returning Lena found the little room filled with smoke and flames, and immediately gave the alarm, taking it for granted the children had escaped to a neighbor's. The colored firemen were the first to reach the scene and turn a stream upon the burning building. The other hose companies soon followed, the department being delayed by a crippled horse. An unusually large crowd congregated. A rumor was afloat that there were children in the burning building, but it could not be verified. The room where the children were confined was rendered inaccessible by the heavy wooden shutters being closed. The main building was not totally destroyed. The furniture in the front rooms was removed before the fire reached them. When the flames had been subdued a sickening sight was presented. Upon the remnants of the bed were the charred and almost unrecognizable remains of the little girl, while nearby were those of the boy, the flesh of both having been burned to a crisp. The police took charge of the bodies, but an inquest was deemed unnecessary. The agonizing screams of the mother could be heard above the noise and confusion. She had given up all hope of seeing her children even before their bodies were discovered in the ruins.

This is the first time in the history of Greensboro that human life has been lost by fire, and we pray that we may be spared a repetition of such a sad occurrence.

—Mrs. George Kestler went to Concord Monday to attend the funeral of her sister, Mrs. Benson, who died suddenly of heart failure.

Marshals, Take Notice !

The following named gentlemen having agreed to act as marshals at Guilford Battle Ground will please meet me on the grounds the morning of July 4th, by 9 o'clock sharp, at the grand stand :

A M Scales,	W B Young,
J W King,	D H Collins,
Dr W J Richardson,	Willie McAdoo,
C R Elmore,	Wade Rankin,
Ernest Howard,	Elliott Stone,
Henry Patterson,	James Allen,
R W Murray,	A S Clark,
M Royal Farrar,	Cecil Boren,
Carl Weeler,	Walter Fleming,
W T Burton,	Clarence Bogart,
Ernest Clapp,	George Kestler,
J W Stafford,	D L Carroll,
E J Elmore,	L Wyrick,
Ed. Adkins,	W J Blackburn,

*Mr. J. J. Stone, Chief Fire Department,
Greensboro, N. C.:*

DEAR SIR:—You, with all of the firemen of the city, are respectfully invited to be present and take part in the celebration given at the Guilford Battle Ground July 4th.

Yours, etc.,

W. J. BLACKBURN,
Chief Marshal.

JURORS AND COURT OFFICERS.

GRAND—DECEMBER TERM, 1894.

J E McKnight...	9 40	Thos Brookbank..	10 60
W J Hobbs.....	9 40	J F Gray.....	10 10
Z A Hodgin.....	10 20	Daniel Garrett...	10 80
W N Kirkman....	9 60	J O Murrow	10 20
Peter Wilson.....	10 30	Jeffrey Smith....	10 30
D M Hubbard.....	9 70	W E Cummings...	10 10
D H Coble.....	10 10	John B Ogburn...	11 00
N L Buchanan....	9 70	Z T Melvin.....	10 00
J H Rich.....	9 40	O C Holt	9 50

PETIT.

Simeon Shepherd.	9 20	J W Pegram.....	11 10
N W Beeson... ..	9 10	Robt L Garrett...	10 10
Thos Highfill.....	8 80	A W Thornton. ..	10 40
J A Andrews.....	9 20	W R Lambeth....	10 10
B F Jordan	9 50	John A Lowrey...	10 70
Geo O Hoskins....	10 60	J Robt Hardin....	1 60
Geo V Boon.....	10 30	John A Lowrey...	4 70
John Dillon.....	9 80	A W Thornton...	4 40
J C Cobb.....	10 00	Wm Pegram.....	5 10
Walter Heath....	10 60	L A Walker	4 30
S J Frazier.....	10 50	H A Garvis.....	13 10
W N Whittington.	10 60	B F Marley	4 20
J A Hockett.....	10 30	Albert Ingle.	4 70
W T Pike.....	10 40	J W Weatherly..	13 30
John A Smith....	10 60	M T Wagoner ...	15 30
J W Winchester..	10 30	W R Lambeth...	4 10
W O Donnell.....	6 10	Robt L Garrett...	4 10
G W Kestler.....	4 60	J F Coble.....	15 70
Albert Ingle.....	10 70	J R Woods.....	6 10
		J W Blair	6 20
		A Hoskins.....	6 10

—Mr. Geo. A. Kestler, of this city, and Miss Mollie E. Kestler, of Lexington, were married Saturday morning at the residence of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Kestler, on Arlington street, by Rev. J. D. Miller.

52 Powder

100% PURE

NOTICE

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Greensboro Coal & Mining Co. will be held in Greensboro Monday, August 3rd, at 3.30 P. M., at the Chamber of Commerce.

—Mr. Solomon L. Blair, one of the landmarks of the High Point neighborhood, died recently. His wife and seven children survive him. He stood high in the estimation of his friends and acquaintances.

—The Sunday school picnic at Holt's Chapel has been postponed from next Saturday to Saturday before third Sunday in August on account of the severe sickness of Mr. C. E. Landreth, one of the teachers.

—While at the Horner School of Oxford, Lyman A. Cotton secured the appointment to Annapolis in a competitive examination. He stands among the first in a large class, in which are many college graduates.

—Mrs. Mangum, widow of the late Felix Mangum, died suddenly of paralysis on the 4th inst. at her home near Busiek's switch, six miles north of the city. She was buried the following Sunday at Muir's Chapel.

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—All the talk now is of Bogart's excursion to Wilmington next Wednesday. Parties are being made up for it in different localities and the crowd will be large. It will be the cheapest and best excursion of the season.

—The old M. E. church building on West Market street has been purchased by J. Willie Smith and W. J. Blackburn, who will convert it into a place suitable for public entertainments by adding numerous improvements.

—The North Carolina delegation returned from Chicago the first of the week tired but happy and enthusiastic. Mr. Daniels staid over for the meeting of the National committee, of which he was chosen a member to succeed Mr. Ransom.

—Samuel W. Sechrest, who has held the office of postmaster at Colfax, this county, for the past ten years, was removed last week on account of irregularities and one of his sureties, E. B. Atkins, is now acting postmaster temporarily.

—The remains of a former resident of this city, Mr. E. G. Poland, were brought here for interment last Wednesday. Mr. Poland died suddenly of paralysis at his home in Durham Tuesday. He was formerly employed by J. H. Harris.

—Rev. J. R. Jones and daughter, of this city, and Miss Worth, of Guilford College, returned home this morning from the International Christian Endeavor convention at Washington. North Carolina was represented by 120 delegates.

—During the scholastic year of 1895-'96 Patrick Henry Winston, son of President Geo. T. Winston of the University, made the highest general average in scholarship at the Horner School ever attained at that famous institution of learning.

—Mr. W. S. Hemby, who was connected with the PATRIOT back in the 80s, is now at the head of the Hemby-Hutchinson Publishing Co., Chicago, and also editor and general manager of the Chicago Journal of Commerce, a prosperous trade paper.

—Dr. Melver, of the State Normal, is in New York and will likely remain until after the official notification of Bryan and Sewall, which occurs next week in the Madison Square Garden. Dr. Melver and Mr. Bryan are firm friends since the latter's address here two years ago.

—The special term of Superior ended Saturday after having disposed of about forty civil cases, sixteen of which were jury trials. The adjournment was necessitated by the opening of Randolph and Alamance courts this week, in which several members of the Greensboro bar were required to appear.

—We call attention to the advertisement of the North Carolina College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts in our issue this week. This college has steadily advanced to the front rank, and its work has within the past year received the highest commendation from *Harper's Magazine*, the *New York Forum* and other eminent educational authorities.

—The Lutherans are holding services regularly in the Y. M. C. A. hall and expect to organize a congregation and build a church in the near future. Sunday school at 4 o'clock and preaching at five each Lord's day. The pastor would be glad to learn of any Lutherans in the city or surrounding community. Drop him a card to 222 South Forbis street.

—We were pleased to see Uncle Frank Caldwell out driving Monday. He has been confined to his room for some weeks previous. If he could regain his strength sufficiently to make a few campaign speeches this fall the cause of silver would be advanced materially. He is one of the few bank presidents that believe in the white metal and his arguments are irresistible.

—A ten-year-old boy named Westmoreland was caught in the act of robbing the postoffice at Thomasville a few nights ago. The postmaster had missed various sums of money recently and one night after closing as usual

shape.

—Burning soot in a chimney at the residence of Mr. G. W. Kestler, on Arlington street, caused the fire department to be called out at eight o'clock last night. Flames shot out of the chimney to a height of five or six feet, but no damage resulted.

—Messrs. S. S. Haithcock and G. W. Kestler have purchased the drug store at Burlington formerly conducted by Cates & Co. The business will be managed by Mr. Haithcock.

—Messrs. George W. Kestler & Son have recently made some improvements on their Asheboro street drug store which adds greatly to its appearance. Mr. S. S. Haithcock, a well known and popular pharmacist, has recently connected himself with the firm.

—Another new enterprise will soon be established in Greensboro—the manufacture of chewing gum. Messrs. George W. Kestler & Son yesterday purchased a complete manufacturing outfit and the “Southern Sweetgum” brand. This brand has an established reputation and we understand that the new owners will have it on the market within a short while. The sale was consummated through Mr. George W. Pritchett.

—George W. Kestler & Son, who recently purchased machinery for the manufacture of chewing gum, began operations a few days ago.

—Mrs. J. A. Dean, of Winston, is visiting in the city.

—Judge S. B. Adams went to Raleigh yesterday on business.

—The county commissioners were in special session yesterday afternoon.

—Mountain seed rye for sale.

HIATT & LAMB.

—Mr. L. M. Scott left yesterday on a visit to his daughter at Orange, N. J.

—Mrs. H. W. Wharton and two children are suffering with chills and fever.

—The Peoples Saving Bank is preparing to install a new and enlarged vault.

—Mrs. W. H. Branson, of Durham, came up a few days ago on a visit to relatives.

—Mr. R. O. Gamble, of the Banner warehouse, is sick at his home on North Greene street.

—Mr. A. A. Hinkle, of Hinkle Bros., 214 South Elm street, wants to buy a good milk cow.

—Dr. Charles Roberson, of Chapel Hill, is a new addition to the medical fraternity of this city.

—Mr. C. M. Vanstony left Monday night for New York to buy goods and attend the Dewey celebration.

—A protracted meeting at Shady Grove M. P. church, five miles east of Greensboro, was begun Sunday.

—All grades of fertilizers for wheat and oats for sale by
40-4t S. S. MITCHELL & Co.

—Mr. Ed. L. Tata, who has been confined to his home by malarial fever for more than two weeks, is improving.

—Mr. S. B. Norris was confined to his home last week by sickness, but is now able to be at his place of business.

—Light frosts have been reported from different sections of the country, though we have heard of no damage to crops.

—E. D. Golden & Bro. advertise house furnishing goods in this issue. Read their ad. and visit their auction house.

—Judge J. G. Bynum is preparing to erect a handsome residence on Summit avenue, having just purchased a desirable lot.

—Judge H. G. Ewart will be here next Monday to open Federal court. The docket will not be taken up until Tuesday.

—J. C. Spach and Nissen have advanced prices on their wagons \$5.00. We hope to see wheat advance to \$1.00 per bushel.

—Prof. Wilson, who formerly conducted a school near Alamance church, is now teaching at Providence, Randolph county.

—The Schiffman Jewelry Company has fallen in line and will hereafter be one of our regular advertisers. Look up their advertisement.

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—E. J. and A. G. Stafford are preparing to enlarge their tobacco factory, this step being made necessary by an increased amount of business.

—Judge R. M. Douglas, accompanied by his daughter, Miss Madeline, left last night for Philadelphia, where he will undergo special treatment.

—Rev. L. Johnson, of the West Washington Street Baptist church, assisted in a revival meeting at a Baptist church in Ashe county last week.

—Messrs. Lee and Robert Wharton have been confined to their home by sickness for several days. Their father, Mr. J. R. Wharton, is also indisposed.

—The No Charge Company has an advertisement in this issue to which your attention is invited. This firm sells groceries at bottom prices for cash.

—Married, in Sumner township, on September 17th, Mr. William K. Young to Miss Laura A. Robbins, the ceremony being performed by A. O. Newman, J. P.

—Mr. W. L. Fedrell, whose serious illness in Durham we have before mentioned, is reported to be improving. It is now thought that the chances for his recovery are good.

—One night last week burglars attempted to enter the residence of Mrs. W. R. Murray, on Asheboro street, but were detected by Mr. Charlie Murray. He fired upon them twice as they ran.

—Mr. Herman Wilson, who has been sick with consumption at his home on North Davis Street for some months, has been sinking since yesterday afternoon. His death is momentarily

early date.

—Mr. Clark Porter, a clerk at Holton's drug store, and Mr. Coble, who has a position with the L. Richardson Drug Company, have purchased the Asheboro Street Pharmacy, which has been conducted for several years by G. W. Kestler & Son.

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS.

—Charley Walker has returned school at Mebane.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Matthews spent Sunday at Mebane.

—Mr. W. H. Wetmore and family are visiting in Salisbury.

—Pickling spices, mixed in 14-pound packages, 10 cents at Scott's.

—Rev. W. A. Murray, of Sparta, visited his old home here this week.

—Mrs. A. W. Vickory and son have returned from a visit in Randolph.

—Miss Clara Womble has returned to Raleigh after a pleasant visit here.

—Townsend will have wheat fertilizer at \$1.25 per bag and up. 25-8t.

—Capt. Lipscomb, of the Kewley Institute, is in South Carolina on a business trip.

—Mr. A. M. Seales has bought a site on Summit avenue and will build dwelling thereon.

—Mr. Harry Thornton and family have returned to Pittsburg after a pleasant visit here.

—Mr. C. H. Teague has moved from Gibsonville to Mt. Airy, where he will engage in business.

—Miss Hallie Hall leaves today for Charlotte, where she will enter the Presbyterian college.

—Quarterly conference will convene at Moriah church next Saturday at half past two o'clock.

—M. G. Newell & Co. have in stock to show you and want to sell you steel or wood rim field rollers.

—More of the colored servants who went north last spring are writing for funds to help them home.

—Mr. J. Van Lindley went to Raleigh yesterday morning to attend a Post Commission meeting.

—Rev. A. G. Kirkman is assisting Rev. T. H. Pagan in a revival meeting at Jamestown this week.

—Messrs. John A. Young and S. L. Trogdon visited their extensive orchards near Mt. Airy last week.

—Prof. D. B. Smith returned to his work in Winston Monday as principal of the West End graded school.

—Bob Shoffner was taken to the penitentiary yesterday by Sheriff Gilmer to serve a sentence of twenty-five years.

—Mr. W. O. Stratford spent Sunday with his family at Haw River, where they are visiting Mrs. Stratford's people.

—Judge W. P. and Mrs. Bynum have gone to Moore's mineral springs, near Danbury, in search of recreation and health.

—Misses Fannie and Jessie Wheeler, of Lexington, who have been visiting at Mr. T. E. McKary's, returned home Thursday.

—Capt. and Mrs. A. M. Rankin, of High Point, stopped over here Monday on their return from a visit over in Rockingham.

—A wheel stolen recently from Mr. Julian Price was recovered in High Point, where it was left by an unknown negro.

—Rev. R. W. Weaver, D. D., returned to his work at Middletown, Ohio, last week after a pleasant vacation at his old home here.

—Prof. E. B. Broadhurst returned yesterday from a vacation at his home in Goldsboro to resume his classes partly in the graded schools.

—An interesting session of the Piedmont Baptist Association was held last week at the Cherry street church. Dr. R. W. Brooks was moderator.

—Extensive improvements are contemplated at the Hotel Guilford. A modern steam heating plant is to be added and a number of bath rooms added.

—Col. Simon P. Kass, of Philadelphia, a uncle of the late Col. J. D. Kass, of this city, and widely known as a builder of railroads, died last week at the age 86.

—Mr. W. S. Kivett has purchased a new delivery wagon from M. G. Newell & Co. and is prepared to deliver bread from the new bakery he has just started.

—Misses Margaret Rankin, Selma Amb and Annie McKnight, of this city, and Miss Carrie Wall, of Madison, went to New York Monday night to spend a week or ten days.

—Mr. W. M. Jordan, of this city, has been fired from the management of the Swinton Hotel, Raleigh, his lease having expired. His successor is Mr. T. Bennett, of Wilmington.

—Mrs. Kate Starrett, of Mooreville, went yesterday with the family of G. Kestler, on her return from northern markets, where she has been purchasing her fall stock of millinery.

—A Powder Mill Explosion
Blow away everything in sight; so do little mineral pills, but both are very dangerous. No need to dynamite your system when Dr. King's New Life Pills do the work so easily and perfectly. See Headache, Constipation. Only at Holton's Drug Store.

relatives.

—Mrs. George A. Kestler, of Arlington street, left with her uncle, Mr. J. B. Mason, for a visit in Davie county last Monday.

A Sure Cure for Piles.

Itching piles are known by moisture like perspiration causing intense itching. This form as well as Blind, Bleeding or Protruding piles yield to Dr. Bo-san-ko's Pile Remedy, which acts directly on the parts; absorbs tumors, allays itching, and effects a cure. Price 50 cents a jar, at druggists or by mail. Circulars free. address Dr. Bosanko, Philadelphia, Pa. Sold by G. W. Kestler & Son.

publishing a copy.

The plant formerly operated by the Southern Sweetgum Chewing Gum Company has been sold to Curtis & Sons, of Portland, Maine. The sale was effected by Mr. C. D. Higgins for Mr. George Kestler.

Mr. George W. Kestler, one of the Southside's substantial citizens, celebrated his seventy-ninth birthday Monday. He has about recovered from the effects of a recent indisposition.

Mr. George W. Kestler, long a resident of Greensboro and for many years one of its most prominent business men, died at his home on Gorrell street last night after a lingering illness, aged about eighty years. He is survived by his wife and one son. The funeral will be held this afternoon from the residence, conducted by Rev. A. T. Bell, pastor of Centenary church. The Masonic lodge will lay his body away with the honors of that order.

CLEGG COMMISSION CO.
Mrs. George W. Kestler is here from
Florence, S. C., on a visit to her neph-
ew, Mr. John C. Benson, on Lucy St.
Rev. J. D. Andrew of Burlington

over you.

Mrs. George W. Kestler returned home today at noon after spending three weeks in Concord and Salisbury visiting relatives and friends.

Orin's Favorite Fruit Syrup is sold

Former Greensboro Woman Hurt in Fall

A message received by friends yesterday announced the grave condition of Mrs. George W. Kestler, of Florence, S. C., who fell recently sustaining injuries which necessitated removal to a hospital where she fails to improve to the satisfaction of attending physicians. Mrs. Kestler is the mother of George A. Kestler. For many years they lived in Greensboro and resided on Arlington street.

Mrs. Kestler's husband was engaged in manufacturing chewing gum. She moved to Florence, South Carolina, where her son is employed by the Atlantic Coast Line. Mrs. Kestler is more than 70 years old.

Mrs. Geo. W. Kestler Buried Here Today

Mrs. George W. Kestler, who formerly resided in Greensboro, died at the home of her son, George A. Kestler, of Florence, S. C., last Saturday night. The remains were brought to Greensboro for interment in Grene Hill cemetery, where they were placed beside those of her husband who died some eight years ago. For twenty-five years Mrs. Kestler was a resident of Greensboro, making her home with her son at Florence after the death of her husband. Mrs. Kestler was an aunt of Mr. John C. Benson, of The Record force.

Mr. and Mrs. George A. Kestler and
son returned to their home in Flor-
ence last night.
Col. John S. Cunningham. of Dur-

Guilford County
Greensboro
437 Arlington Street
HOUSE

GF 668

N. 76.1.402-415

#SS

GF 668

HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC

GEORGE KESTLER HOUSE

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

437 ARLINGTON STREET

— NOT FOR PUBLICATION

6th

CITY, TOWN

GREENSBORO, NC

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

— VICINITY OF

DOWNTOWN

STATE

NORTH CAROLINA

CODE

GUILFORD

COUNTY

CODE

21706

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

— DISTRICT

— BUILDING(S)

☒ STRUCTURE

— SITE

— OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

— PUBLIC

☒ PRIVATE

— BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

— IN PROCESS

— BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

— OCCUPIED

☒ UNOCCUPIED

— WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

— YES: RESTRICTED

☒ YES: UNRESTRICTED

— NO

PRESENT USE

— AGRICULTURE

— COMMERCIAL

— EDUCATIONAL

— ENTERTAINMENT

— GOVERNMENT

— INDUSTRIAL

— MILITARY

— MUSEUM

— PARK

☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE

— RELIGIOUS

— SCIENTIFIC

— TRANSPORTATION

— OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

CAROL S. SCHILTZ

STREET & NUMBER

P.O. Box 3484

CITY, TOWN

GREENSBORO, N.C.

— VICINITY OF

STATE

NORTH CAROLINA

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

REGISTER OF DEEDS - GUILFORD COUNTY

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA

STATE

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

INVENTORY OF HISTORICAL BUILDINGS - GREENSBORO NC.

DATE

COMPILED BY NC DEPT HISTORY

— FEDERAL

☒ STATE

— COUNTY

☒ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

& ARCHIVES - PAGE

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

EXCELLENT

GOOD

FAIR

DETERIORATED

RUINS

UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

UNALTERED

ALTERED

CHECK ONE

ORIGINAL SITE

MOVED

DATE

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

QUEBEC ANNE STYCE CLARKE HOUSE BUILT IN 1876 AS INDICATED ON FRONT CORNERSTONE (RECORDED IN 1879 MAP OF OLD GREENSBORO). EXCELLENT ORIGINAL CONDITION WITH EXCEPTION OF addition of ASPHALT SIDING WHICH CAN EASILY BE REMOVED. ORNATE SANDWICH PORCH.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD

PREHISTORIC

1400-1499

1500-1599

1600-1699

1700-1799

1800-1899

1900

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

ARCHAEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC

ARCHAEOLOGY-HISTORIC

AGRICULTURE

ARCHITECTURE

ART

COMMERCE

COMMUNICATIONS

COMMUNITY PLANNING

CONSERVATION

ECONOMICS

EDUCATION

ENGINEERING

EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT

INDUSTRY

INVENTION

LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

LAW

LITERATURE

MILITARY

MUSIC

PHILOSOPHY

POLITICS/GOVERNMENT

RELIGION

SCIENCE

SCULPTURE

SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN

THEATER

TRANSPORTATION

OTHER (SPECIFY)

SPECIFIC DATES

1876 Built

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

ONE OF ONLY 15 BUILDINGS REMAINING IN GREENSBORO BUILT PRIOR TO 1879- EXCELLENT EXAMPLE OF 19TH CENTURY QUEBEC ANNE ARCHITECTURE, ELABORATE PIECED WORK ON PORCH SUPPORTS, ETC. EXCELLENT CONDITION, ORNATE SANDWICH PORCH - FROM INTERIOR APPARENTLY AT LEAST 70 YEARS TO HAVE BEEN THE WORK OF THE SAME BUILDER AS THE WILLIAM FIELDS HOUSE, THE MURPHY HOUSE, & THE J.A. GRAY HOUSE.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY .4 ACRES

UTM REFERENCES

A	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
C	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING

B	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
D	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
N/A			

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Carol Schiltz owner

ORGANIZATION

DATE

11-26-80

STREET & NUMBER

P.O. Box 3484

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Greensboro,

STATE

NORTH CAROLINA

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

TITLE

DATE

FOR NPS USE ONLY

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

ATTEST: DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

DATE

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

Description

Located on a quiet street just recently restored

Southeast of downtown Greensboro, the George

W. Kestler house is one of the city's surviving

few Italianate residences and may

be one of just over a dozen pre-

1880 houses still standing in Greensboro.

Although the Kestler residence was not listed

among the city's pre-1880 structures in

an inventory of the city's historic

resources conducted in 1976,^① stone

blocks carrying Kestler's name and the

date 1876 were situated atop the

stone steps to the principal entrance,

and Kestler's residence appears on Gray's

(2)

1879 map of Greensboro.

The frame house, ^{which rests on a low brick foundation,} consists of the main, two-story, single-pile block and a two-story rear ell that appears to have been built at the same time as the house's main section. Both portions of the house have gable roofs. The central bay of the facade projects slightly from the two flanking bays and is topped with a gable, ^{thus} giving the main block the familiar "triple-A" roof profile. To the rear of the house are miscellaneous additions: narrow two-story shed that provides space for a rear stair; an adjoining second story shed

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wing that furnishes space for a bathroom;
and a crudely built two-story porch with
an open stair at the rear of the
ell. The shed porch along the south
side of the ell facing the main block
has been enclosed.

The exterior of the Kestler
house displays typical, ^{restrained} Italianate trim.
The boxed and molded cornice ^{of the main block} is adorned
by sawn brackets with turned
pendant drops. Diamond shaped
ventillators are seen in all three
gables of the main block. The ^{two-over-two sash} windows of the main block and

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The ell are set in simply molded, segmental-arched surrounds. The principal entrance, also set in a simply molded surround, has a two-leaf, four-panel, segmental-arched door whose upper two panels are arched and filled with glass.

Perhaps the most notable exterior feature of the house is the ^{shed-roofed} porch, which carries across the full facade and the north (left) side of the main block. The central portion of the porch ^{sheltering} the principal entrance has a hip roof

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and projects forward or the rest of the porch. The porch is upheld by wooden posts, square-in-section, consisting of three parts: a short base topped with a molding; a long chamfered section which also terminates in a molding; and a short upper portion which rises to a molded capital and is embellished with sawn brackets. Between the porch supports runs a balustrade composed of a molded handrail, a simple baseboard, and elaborate cut-out balusters. Until recently, the balusters were placed side-by-side. The

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present owner, however, has removed half of the balusters, giving the balustrade an open appearance it did not originally possess. ^{no} Three broad cut-stone steps rise from the front lawn to the projecting portion of the porch in front of the principal lower sections entrance. The [^] short retaining walls ^{built} along ^{side} these steps are topped with two square stones - the north (left) stone displays the inscription "G.W. Kestler" while the south (right) stone is inscribed "1876."

The main block of the Kestler

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house follows a center^{stair} hall interior plan. The stair is certainly the house's finest interior feature. It rises along from the front of the center hall to a rear landing, and then rises forward to the second floor. From the rear landing a curved, five step stair provides access to a bathroom and to the second story of the rear ell. This stair is reached through a passage set in a molded surround and topped with a two-light transom. The open-string stair rises from an elaborate tapered, turned, and paneled

newel post, and has a molded handrail
as well as ^{and} turned [^]tapered balusters. The

open stringers are embellished with
delicately sawn brackets, and the stair
treads are adorned with two-part
moldings. The balustrade rises continuously

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
DIVISION OF ARCHIVES AND HISTORY

NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY

Guilford

HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

(Type all entries — Complete applicable sections)

1. NAME

COMMON:

House

AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER OR OTHER DESCRIPTION OF LOCATION

437 Arlington St. (e. side Arlington betw. E. Lewis

CITY, TOWN, OR TOWNSHIP

Ray Warren neighborhood

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

+ E. Lee Sts)

STATE

NORTH CAROLINA

Greensboro

CODE

37

COUNTY:

(2nd hs.s. of E. Lewis)

CODE

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY
(Check One)

OWNERSHIP

STATUS

ACCESSIBLE
TO THE PUBLIC

District ☐

Building ☐

Public ☐

Public Acquisition:

Occupied ☐

Yes:

Site ☐

Structure ☐

Private ☐

In Process ☐

Unoccupied ☐

Restricted ☐

Object ☐

Both ☐

Being Considered ☐

Preservation work
in progress ☐

Unrestricted ☐

No: ☐

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Agricultural ☐

Government ☐

Park ☐

Transportation ☐

Zoning (Specify) ☐

Commercial ☐

Industrial ☐

Private Residence ☐

Other (Specify) ☐

Comments ☐

Educational ☐

Military ☐

Religious ☐

Entertainment ☐

Museum ☐

Scientific ☐

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNERS NAME:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:

STATE:

ZIP CODE

CODE

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:

STATE:

ZIP CODE

CODE

NORTH CAROLINA

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6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:

DATE OF SURVEY:

Federal ☐

State ☐

County ☐

Local ☐

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:

STATE:

ZIP CODE

CODE

7. DESCRIPTION									
CONDITION	Excellent <input type="checkbox"/>	Good <input type="checkbox"/>	Fair <input type="checkbox"/>	(Check One) Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/>		Ruins <input type="checkbox"/>	Unexposed <input type="checkbox"/>		
	(Check One)				(Check One)				
INTEGRITY	Altered <input type="checkbox"/>	Unaltered <input type="checkbox"/>		Moved <input type="checkbox"/>		Original Site <input type="checkbox"/>			
DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE									
2 story frame Queen Anne house -									
3 bays x 3 bays projects pavilion, with double doors									
center front bay cross gable w/ ventilator									
entrance. Center cross gable w/ 2/2 sash.									
Seq. arched window openings, 2/2 sash.									
Boxed bracketed eaves with pendants.									
Porch, wraps around left side, with									
1 story clangered posts on wood plinths, sawnwork balustrade									
+ brackets -									

8. SIGNIFICANCE														
PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)														
Pre-Columbian <input type="checkbox"/>	15th Century <input type="checkbox"/>	16th Century <input type="checkbox"/>	17th Century <input type="checkbox"/>	18th Century <input type="checkbox"/>	1st Qtr. <input type="checkbox"/>	2nd Qtr. <input type="checkbox"/>	3rd Qtr. <input type="checkbox"/>	4th Qtr. <input type="checkbox"/>	19th Century <input type="checkbox"/>	1st Qtr. <input type="checkbox"/>	2nd Qtr. <input type="checkbox"/>	3rd Qtr. <input type="checkbox"/>	4th Qtr. <input type="checkbox"/>	20th Century <input type="checkbox"/>
SPECIFIC DATE(S) (if Applicable and Known)														
AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)														
Aboriginal		Education		Political		Urban Planning								
Prehistoric <input type="checkbox"/>		Engineering <input type="checkbox"/>		Religion/Phi-		Other (Specify)								
Historic <input type="checkbox"/>		Industry <input type="checkbox"/>		osophy <input type="checkbox"/>										
Agriculture <input type="checkbox"/>		Invention <input type="checkbox"/>		Science <input type="checkbox"/>										
Architecture <input type="checkbox"/>		Landscape <input type="checkbox"/>		Sculpture <input type="checkbox"/>										
Art <input type="checkbox"/>		Architecture <input type="checkbox"/>		Social/Human- <input type="checkbox"/>										
Commerce <input type="checkbox"/>		Literature <input type="checkbox"/>		itarian <input type="checkbox"/>										
Communications <input type="checkbox"/>		Military <input type="checkbox"/>		Theater <input type="checkbox"/>										
Conservation <input type="checkbox"/>		Music <input type="checkbox"/>		Transportation <input type="checkbox"/>										
STATEMENT OF HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (Include Builder/Architect, Original & Subsequent Owners, Dates, Events, Etc.)														

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES (DOCUMENTS, PUBLICATIONS, REPORTS, NEWSPAPERS)

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY				OR	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN ONE ACRE							
CORNER	LATITUDE				LONGITUDE			LATITUDE			LONGITUDE	
	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds
NW	°	'	"	°	'	"	°	'	"	°	'	"
NE	°	'	"	°	'	"						
SE	°	'	"	°	'	"						
SW	°	'	"	°	'	"						

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES		APPROXIMATE ACREAGE	
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE

11. FORM PREPARED BY

Survey and Planning Unit		DATE
State Department of Archives & History		
STREET AND NUMBER:		
109 East Jones Street		
CITY OR TOWN:	STATE	CODE
Raleigh	North Carolina	27611
		37

12. LOCAL ORGANIZATION OR INTERESTS (INDICATE NAMES AND ADDRESSES)

RECOMMENDED LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE: National <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> Local <input type="checkbox"/>

PROPOSED PROPERTIES FOR THE STUDY LIST

County: Guilford

Property Name: George W. Kestler House

Owner's Name: Carol S. Schiltz Owner Request? Yes

Owner's Address: 447 Arlington St., Greensboro, NC 27406

Significance: Late nineteenth century frame Italianate house, recently sympathetically restored. The house may be one of just over a dozen pre-1880 houses still standing in Greensboro. While it was not identified as such in Ruth Little-Stokes inventory of the city, stone paving blocks surviving at the site carry a date of 1876, and Kestler's residence appears on Gray's 1879 Greensboro map. Outstanding features are the elaborate porch balustrade and the handsome, bracketed stair.

NR criteria which property fulfills: C

SL priority: 2,6

Recommendation to SPRC: approve

Survey Specialist responsible for property: Peter R. Kaplan

**If the property is State owned, please indicate it on the form giving name of Department and name of property section head.

NORTH
CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT
OF
CULTURAL
RESOURCES

Raleigh,
North Carolina
27611

Division of
Archives and History
Larry Tise, Director

Sara W. Hodgkins,
Secretary
James B. Hunt, Jr.,
Governor

February 3, 1982

Re: George W. Kestler House
Guilford County

Ms. Carol S. Schiltz
447 Arlington Street
Greensboro, N. C. 27406

Dear Ms. Schiltz:

At its meeting on Jan. 28, 1982, the State Professional Review Committee for Nomination to the National Register of Historic Places approved for study several properties of historical or architectural significance.

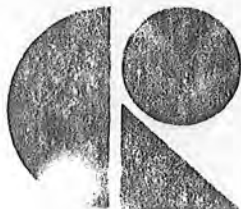
We are pleased to report that the property mentioned above was among this group. It should be noted that placement on the study list does not mean automatic nomination to the National Register. It means only that the staff is authorized to study the significance, history, and condition of the property, and, if appropriate, to complete a National Register nomination, which will in turn be reviewed by the Professional Review Committee. You will be notified at least one month before the completed nomination is reviewed--and it will be at least several months, and possibly a year or more, before the necessary investigation is completed.

National Register listing does not restrict the private owner; it does, however, mean that any state or federally funded project that might affect the integrity of the property, must be reviewed according to certain procedures. In addition, the Tax Reform Act of 1976 offers tax incentives for preservation of income producing (commercial or rental) National Register properties. Material explaining the National Register and the effects of the Tax Reform Act are enclosed.

If you have any questions concerning the National Register program, we encourage you to let us know at the above address.

In addition, we would very much welcome any information you may have about the property. If you have not already supplied this, we would like to have copies of any old photographs, private papers or letters concerning this property, old maps, genealogical material, historical or traditional information, and especially information concerning the chain of ownership. If you know of anyone we should contact about the history of the property, that would be helpful as well. The more information we have, the sooner the nomination can be completed.

Ordinarily, it takes a long time to complete work on properties that have been approved for study. We set our priorities for nominations according to specific preservation priorities. If your property falls now or will fall into either of these categories, please notify us immediately. Then we can consider this in setting our priorities. Enclosed is a form listing these priorities. Mark the priority that best describes your property's situation and then describe in specific terms. Please let us know, too, if the ownership of the property changes, if it is moved, or if it is changed in any significant way.



Continuation Sheet Historic Preservation Certification Application - Part 1

TO BE COMPLETED BY SHPO OFFICE.

If request is for CERTIFICATION OF SIGNIFICANCE or DE-CERTIFICATION, complete 1, 3 and 4.

If request is for PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION, complete 2, 3 and 4.

☐ DETAILED HCERS REVIEW REQUESTED

☐ PRECEDENT SETTING DECISION FOR SHPO

Name of Property: _____ Street Address: _____
City _____ County _____ State _____

Name of Historic District: _____
☐ National Register
☐ Certified State/Local
☐ Not yet listed/certified
_____ date completed information received by SHPO _____ date of this transmittal to HCERS

1 TO BE COMPLETED FOR STRUCTURES LOCATED WITHIN REGISTERED HISTORIC DISTRICTS

Please check one of (a), (b), or (c) according to which of the Secretary's "Standards for Evaluating Structures within Registered Historic Districts" applies.

- (a) _____ The structure contributes to the historic significance of this district in the following categories checked:
_____ location _____ design _____ setting
_____ materials _____ workmanship _____ feeling & association
The district is characterized as follows: (1 or 2 sentences)

Explain briefly the application of Standard (a) in terms of the particular characteristics of this structure which are relevant to the qualities of this district: (1 or 2 sentences)

- (b) _____ The structure does not contribute to the historic significance of this district because _____ it detracts from the sense of time & place & historic development and/or _____ the integrity of original design or individual architectural features or spaces have been lost and/or _____ it cannot reasonably be returned to a state of utility through rehabilitation.
The district is characterized as follows: (1 or 2 sentences)

Explain briefly the application of Standard (b). Optional: Attach structural report to support recommendation of de-certification.

- (c) _____ The structure, being less than 50 years old, is evaluated by Standard (c).
_____ A strong justification for certification is given, or the historic attributes of the district are less than 50 years old, or
_____ the structure should not be certified.

According to Standard (c), briefly explain why the structure should or should not be considered eligible for certification in terms of the particular characteristics of this structure which are relevant to the qualities of this district. Include a brief characterization of the district.

2

TO BE COMPLETED FOR PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION THAT STRUCTURE IS A
POTENTIAL CERTIFIED HISTORIC STRUCTURE.

Nomination status of property (Please check one)

- ☐ Nomination has already been submitted to State review board and, if passed by them,
property will be nominated within next six months.
☐ Nomination is expected to be submitted to State review board within the next year.
☐ Nomination process is expected to be completed within thirty months.
☐ Property is located in a local historic district for which adequate documentation
for certification purposes has been received.

Evaluation of property (Please complete either A or B)

A Complete this section if property is a structure which is individually eligible:

1. This property meets the following National Register Criteria for Evaluation:
 A B C D; Exceptions
2. Statement of the significance of the structure:

B Complete this section if property is located within a district which is a
potential Registered Historic District.

1. This district meets the following National Register Criteria for Evaluation:
 A B C D; Exceptions
2. Brief description and statement of the significance of the district:

3. This structure appears to contribute to the significance of said district for
the following reasons:

3

The following information is enclosed:

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☐ photos of interiors if significant
☐ signed, completed application form
☐ map locating structure within historic
district boundaries
☐ additional SHPO comments on attached sheet

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This application has been reviewed by
a professionally qualified architectur-
al historian, historian or architect
on the State staff.

Signature of Reviewer

Date

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☐ DETAILED HCRS REVIEW REQUESTED

☐ PRECEDENT SETTING DECISION FOR SHPO

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City _____ County _____ State _____

Name of Historic District: _____

☐ National Register

☐ Certified State/Local

☐ Not yet listed/certified

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The district is characterized as follows: (1 or 2 sentences)

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2

TO BE COMPLETED FOR PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION THAT STRUCTURE IS A
POTENTIAL CERTIFIED HISTORIC STRUCTURE.

Nomination status of property (Please check one)

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- ☐ Nomination is expected to be submitted to State review board within the next year.
- ☐ Nomination process is expected to be completed within thirty months.
- ☐ Property is located in a local historic district for which adequate documentation
for certification purposes has been received.

Evaluation of property (Please complete either A or B)

A Complete this section if property is a structure which is individually eligible.

1. This property meets the following National Register Criteria for Evaluation:
_____ A _____ B _____ C _____ D; Exceptions _____
2. Statement of the significance of the structure:

B Complete this section if property is located within a district which is a
potential Registered Historic District.

1. This district meets the following National Register Criteria for Evaluation:
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on the State staff.

Signature of Reviewer

Date



HISTORIC PRESERVATION CERTIFICATION APPLICATION — PART 1

(Pursuant to the Tax Reform Act of 1976)

Instructions: Applicant should read the instructions carefully before completing application. No Certification may be made unless a completed application form has been received (P.L. 94-455). Use typewriter or print clearly in dark ink to complete the application form. If additional space is needed to complete Part 1, use the reverse side or a separate plain sheet of paper clearly indicating the owner's name and mailing address. Part 1 of this application may be completed and sent to the appropriate State Historic Preservation Officer at any time during the year, and may be sent separately or with Part 2.

PART 1 EVALUATION OF SIGNIFICANCE

1. NAME OF PROPERTY: GEORGE KESTLER HOUSE

Address of property: Street 437 ARLINGTON STREET

City GREENSBORO County GUILFORD State NORTH CAROLINA Zip Code 27406

Name of historic district in which property is located: _____

2. DESCRIPTION OF PHYSICAL APPEARANCE:

(see instructions for map and photograph requirements—use reverse side if necessary)

QUEEN ANNE CLAPBOARD, TWO STORY, WALNUT STAIRCASE
PINE MANTLES, MORTISE AND PEG WOODWORK, ORIGINAL
DOORS AND HARDWOOD FLOORS, FIREPLACE IN EVERY ROOM
ORNATE SAWWORK PORCH.

3. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

(use reverse side if necessary)

EXCELLENT EXAMPLE OF 19TH CENTURY QUEEN ANNE
ARCHITECTURE. ONE OF ONLY 15 BUILDINGS REMAINING IN GREENSBORO
1876 PRIOR TO 1879.

Date of construction (if known): 1876 ☒ Original site ☐ Moved Date of alterations (if known): _____

4. NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS OF OWNER:

Name CAROL SCHULTZ

Street PO BOX 3484

City GREENSBORO, State NC Zip Code 27402

Telephone Number (during day): Area Code (919) - 274-8870

I hereby attest that the information I have provided is, to the best of my knowledge, correct, and that I am owner of the property described above.

Signature Carol A. Schultz Date 11-26-80

For office use only

The structure described above is included within the boundaries of the National Register historic district and ☐ contributes ☐ does not contribute to the character of the district.

The structure ☐ appears ☐ does not appear to meet National Register Criteria for Evaluation (36 CFR 60.6) and ☐ will likely ☐ will not be nominated to the National Register in accord with the Department of the Interior procedures (36 CFR 60).

The structure is located in a district which ☐ appears ☐ does not appear to meet National Register Criteria for Evaluation (36 CFR 60.6), ☐ will likely ☐ will not be nominated to the National Register in accord with Department of the Interior procedures (36 CFR 60), and ☐ appears ☐ does not appear to contribute to the character of said district.

Signature _____ Date _____
State Historic Preservation Officer

This property has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the Department of the Interior (36 CFR 67) and, if subject to depreciation under section 167 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954,

☐ is hereby certified a historic structure.

☐ does not contribute to the character of the historic district and does not merit certification as a historic structure. Reasons given on the attached sheet.

Signature _____ Date _____
Keeper of the National Register



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service
Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation
Washington D.C. 20243

HISTORIC PRESERVATION CERTIFICATION APPLICATION — PART 2

(Pursuant to the Tax Reform Act of 1976)

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Part 2 DESCRIPTION OF REHABILITATION

1. NAME OF PROPERTY: GEORGE KESTLER HOUSE
Address of property: Street 437 ARLINGTON ST
City GREENSBORO State NC Zip Code 27402

If located in National Register historic district, local or State designated district, specify: _____

2. DATA ON EXISTING STRUCTURE:

Date of construction: 1876 Existing floor area: 2800 sq. feet
Original use: RESIDENCE
Type of construction: CLAPBOARD

3. DATA ON REHABILITATION PROJECT:

Project starting date (est.): 1980 Project completion date (est.): 1981
Estimated cost of rehabilitation: 50,000 Proposed use: COMMERCIAL USAGE
Number of housing units to be created (if applicable): _____
Has the property received Federal or State financial assistance? ☐ yes ☒ no
If yes, specify source: _____
Are architectural plans and specifications available for review? ☐ yes ☒ no
Architect's or developer's name and address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

4. DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF REHABILITATION/PRESERVATION WORK—includes site work, new construction, alterations, etc. Complete blocks below.

NUMBER

1

Architectural feature FRONT PORCH
Approximate date of feature 1876

Describe existing feature: ROOF ABOVE PORCH
ROTTED IN PLACES - NEW
HEADER AND SUPPORTS NEEDED
FLOOR BOARDS DETERIORATED
IN SPOTS + need to be
REPLACED - STEPS TO BE
Photo no. 1, 2 Drawing no. REBUILT

Describe work and impact on existing features:

RESTORE TO ORIGINAL
APPEARANCE - PAINT
EXTERIOR WOODWORK
COLOR TO BE DECIDED
ON AFTER SCRAPING
SILLS FOR PAINT
RESIDUALS.

NUMBER

2

Architectural feature ROOFLINEApproximate date of feature 1876

Describe existing feature:

DETERIORATED
SHINGLE

Describe work and impact on existing features:

REPLACE SHINGLE

Photo no. _____ Drawing no. _____

NUMBER

3

Architectural feature EXTERIOR CLAPBOARDApproximate date of feature 1876

Describe existing feature:

COVERED BY
ASPHALT SIDING

Describe work and impact on existing features:

REMOVE SIDING +
PAINT ORIGINAL
CLAPBOARD KEYED TO
SCRAPINGS FOUND ON
WINDOW SILLS, ETC.Photo no. 3 Drawing no. _____

NUMBER

4

Architectural feature INTERIORApproximate date of feature 1876

Describe existing feature:

INTACT BUT
SHABBY -
CEILINGS DROPPED

Describe work and impact on existing features:

REPAINT AND
WALLPAPER
TEAR OUT DROPPED
CEILING -
CLOSETS TO BE TORN
OUTPhoto no. 4, 5, 6, 7 Drawing no. _____

NUMBER

5

Architectural feature HEAT + AIR - ELECT.Approximate date of feature 1940

Describe existing feature:

BASEBOARD HEAT-
INEFFICIENT AND
DETRACTS FROM INTERIOR

Describe work and impact on existing features:

REPLACE WITH TWO
ZONE HEAT + AIR
CONDITIONING UNITS.
ELECTRICAL REWIRING

Photo no. _____ Drawing no. _____

Continuation sheets attached: ☐ yes ☒ no

Name and mailing address of owner:

Name CAROL SCHILTZStreet PO BOX 3484City GREENSBOROState NCZip 27402Telephone Number (during day) (919)-274-8870

I hereby apply for certification of rehabilitation work described above for purposes of Section 2124 of the Tax Reform Act of 1976. I hereby attest that the information I have provided is, to the best of my knowledge, correct, and that I am owner of the property described above.

Owner's Signature

Carol S. Schiltz

Date

11-26-80



NEGATIVE NUMBER N.76-1-402

PHOTOGRAPHER M. SMITH

PHOTO DATE 9/76

SUBJECT 437 ARLINGTON ST

GREENSBORO

GUILFORD Co



NEGATIVE NUMBER N.76-1-4103

PHOTOGRAPHER M. SMITH

PHOTO DATE 9/75

SUBJECT 437 ARLINGTON ST.

GREENSBORO

GUILFORD



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KODAK SAFETY FILM 5063
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KODAK SAFETY
→ 31A



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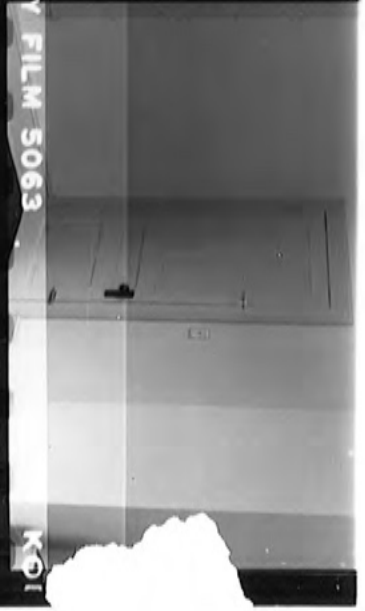
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FILM 5063

KODAK SAFETY FILM 5063







KODAK SAFETY FILM 5063

KODAK SAFETY FILM 5063

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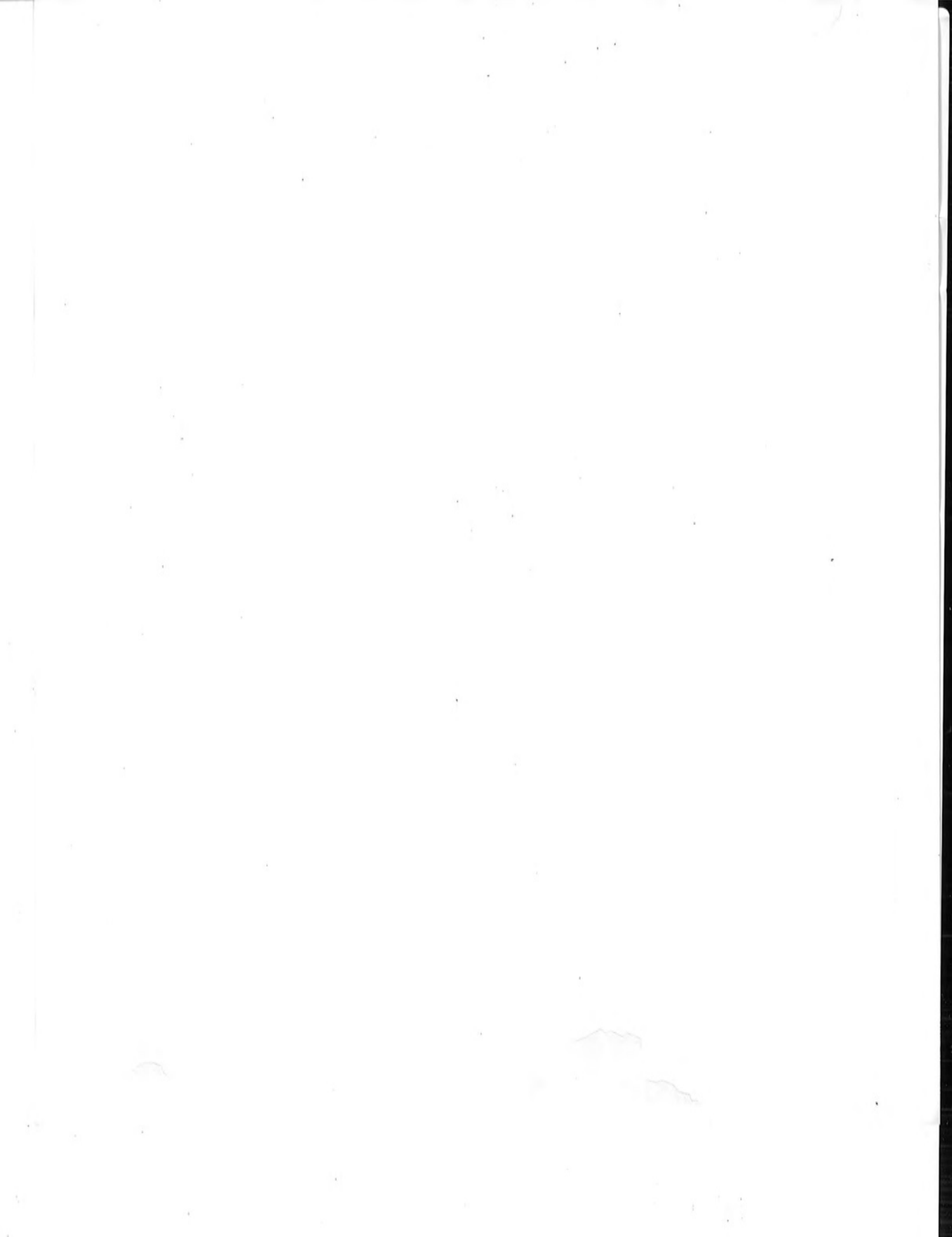
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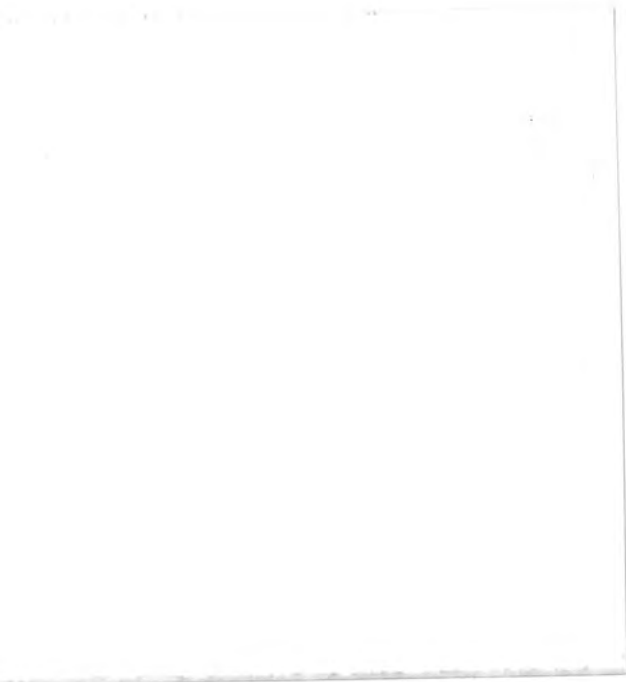
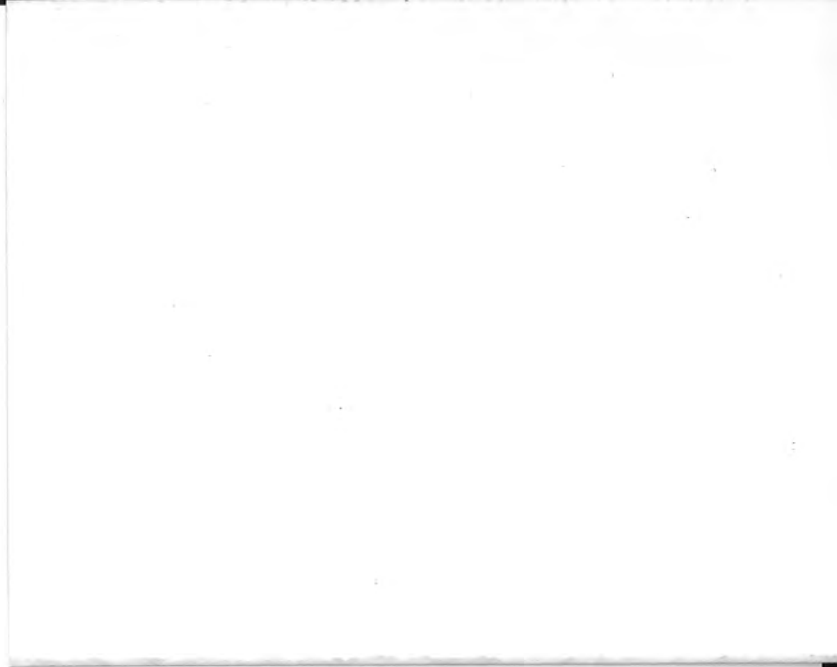
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Note dropped
ceiling - will
tear out & restore
original 10"
ceiling height.

Front
doors



Inside of
front doors

Front
staircase



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#3 Upper clapped
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original type 3
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Greenboro

437 Arlington St.

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rebuild exterior stair when
orig. installed installed?
ca. 1958

* ① Fine open-string stair: turned, tapered & paneled newel, turned balusters, brackets under molded treads - rises to landing and turns 180° to second floor. has molded baseboard

② Center hall has multi-part baseboard, broad ceiling molding - doors, incl. seg. arched entrance, set in multi-part molded surrounds - overall character is Italianate

③ Simple mantel, sawn frieze chamfered pilasters w/ molded bases, four-panel closet door

④ deep molded baseboards, no ceiling molding - doors in multi-part Italianate surrounds

when installed early twentieth century ⑤ two-level CR mantel, cont. Ionic columns, tile inlay, grate, fretwork, painted, foliated trim

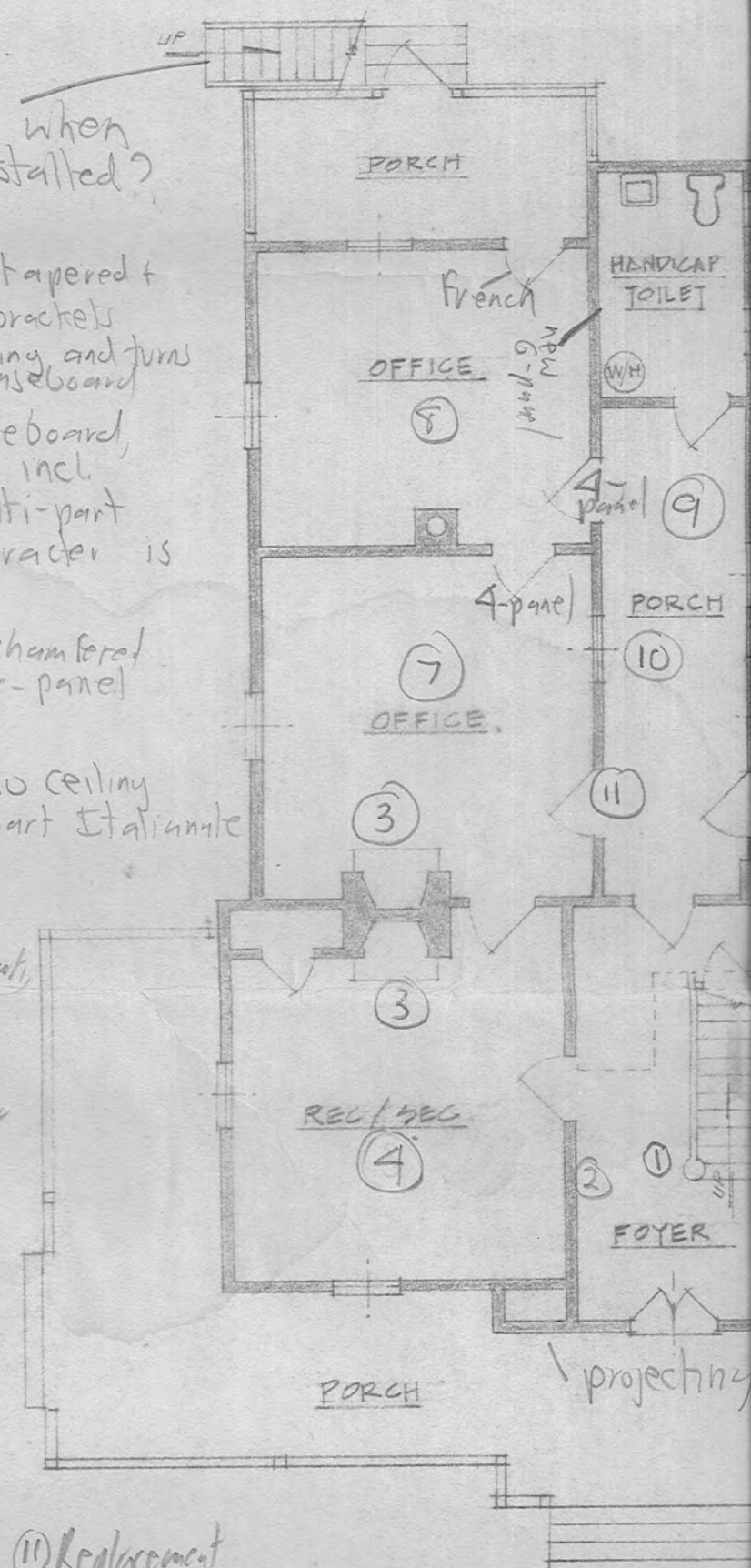
⑥ Molded baseboard, surrounds, ceiling molding, sim to other 1st floor room

⑦ Simpler trim - two part surrounds, two-part baseboards, no ceiling molding

⑧ Slightly more elab. trim than at #7; multipart surround, higher baseboard w/ two-part molding door

⑨ Enclosed porch (when?) 2/2 sash, molded baseboard, simpler multi-part surround than in front on south windows

ca. 1915



⑩ Replacement door early 20th c. (CK) uncertain

FIRST FLOOR
1/8" = 1'-0"

also describe stones and placement in photos
 mortared granite retaining wall along Arlington + ~~the~~ for use

note - windows 1st + second floor have ~~for~~ pierce inserted to fill in arch; installed before Ms. Schiltz purchased these ~~and~~ storm ~~door~~ windows

① Stair has curving balustrade, turned balusters ends in circular piece along wall;

② handsome brackets along underside of stair, sim. to those along lower portion of stair

③ Five-panel door; ④ simple baseboard

⑤ Simple two-part baseboard - two-part surrounds; this room is entered through door off stair and through passage from front W. room that was once a closet - this section probably later - check Sanborn

⑥ simple bracketed mantel

⑦ ~~St~~ two-part molded baseboard + surrounds

⑧ P+L mantel w/ arched frieze

⑨ four-panel doors: multi-part surrounds also multi-part window surrounds

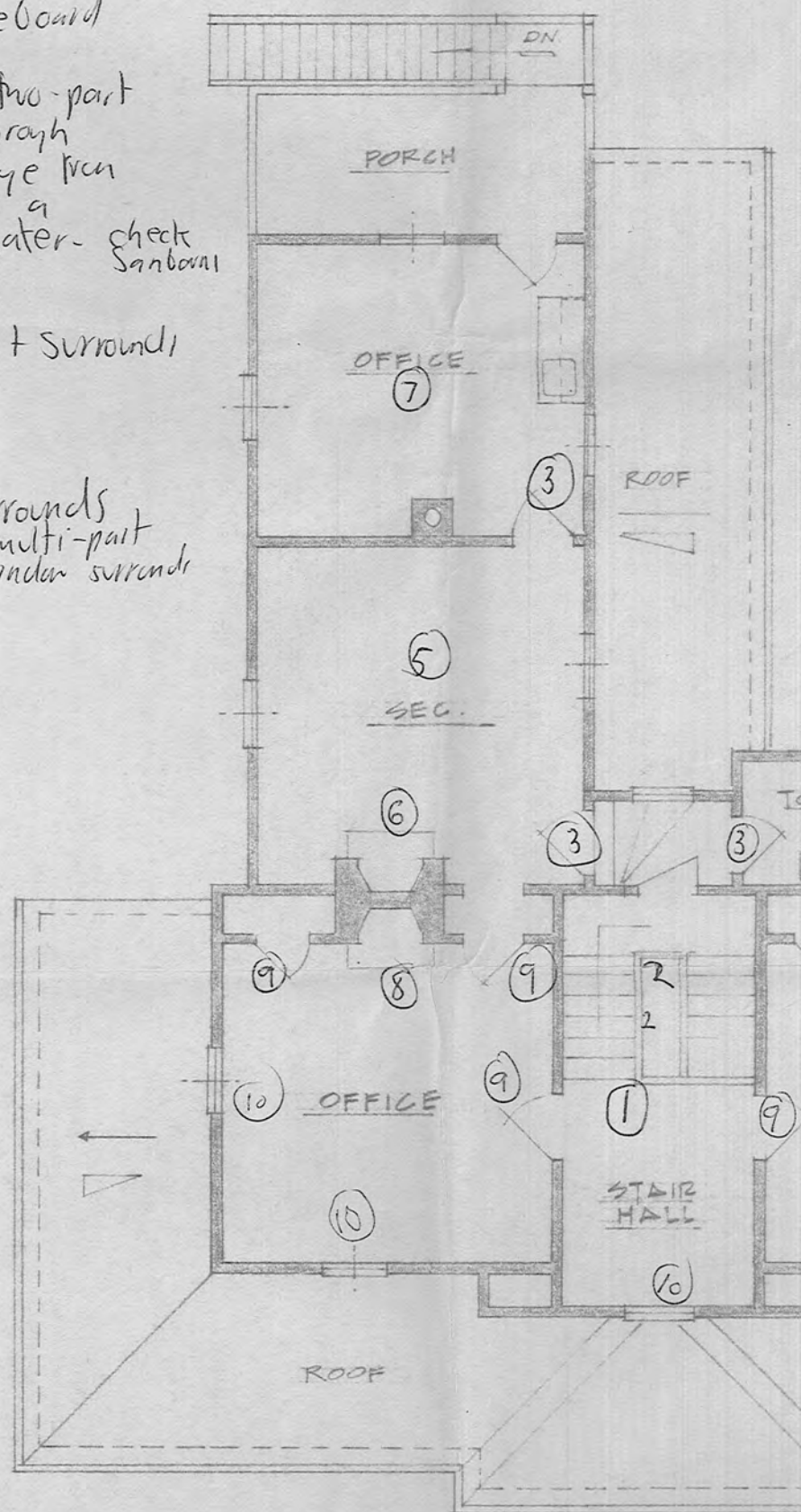
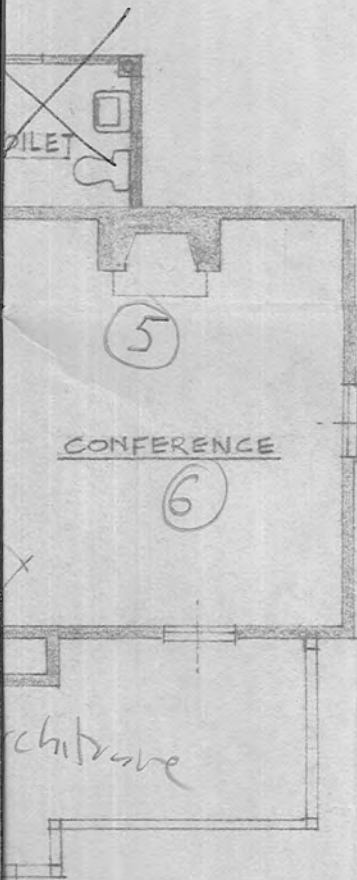
⑩ same multi-part surround seen elsewhere in front of house

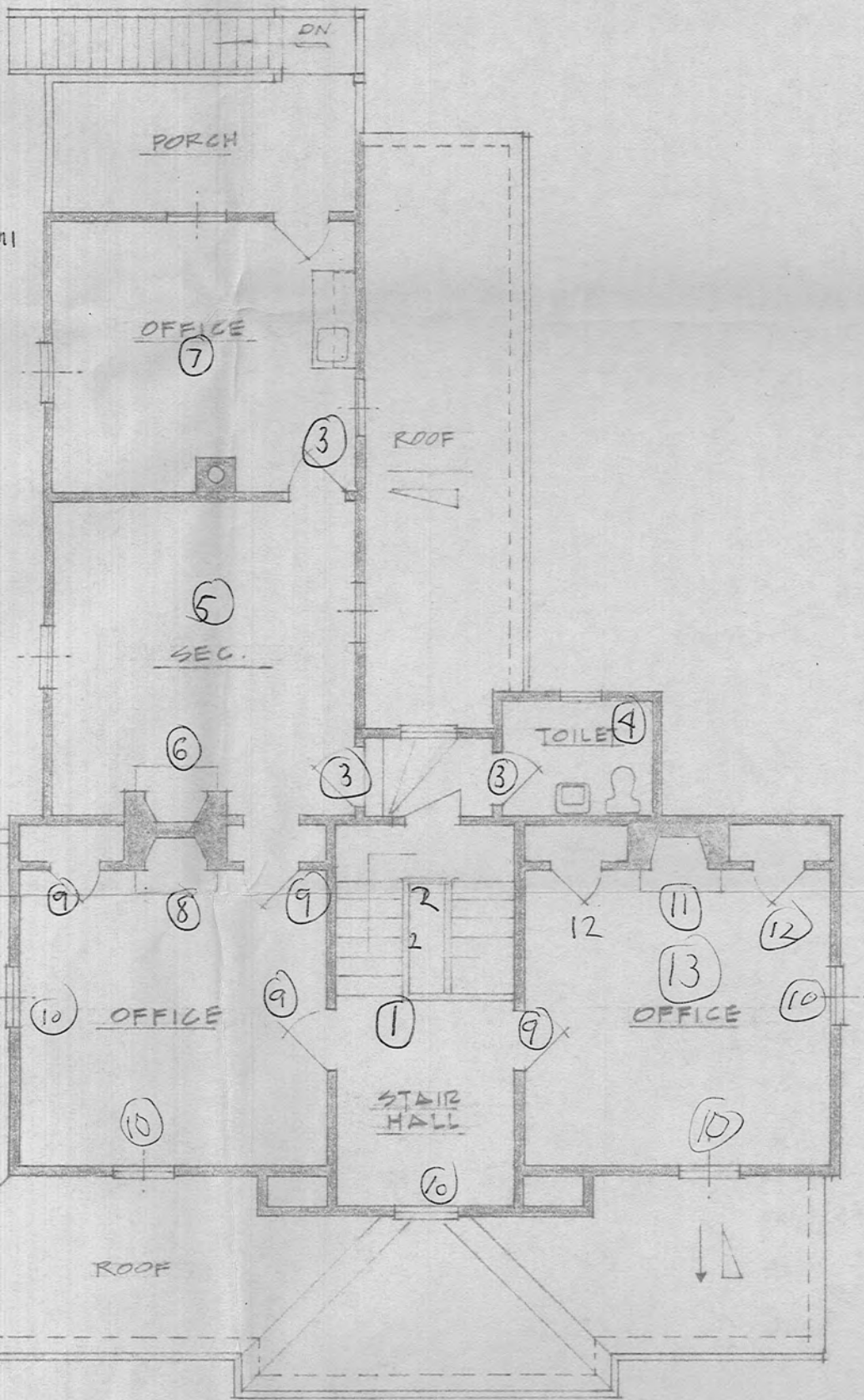
⑪ chamfered pilasters; molded capitals Grand molded shelf.

⑫ four-panel closet door

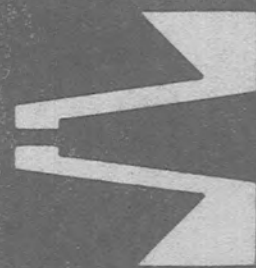
⑬ simple molded baseboard

⑭ ⑩





SECOND FLOOR PLAN
1/8" = 1'-0"



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447 ARLINGTON STREET
GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA

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engineers
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greensboro
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north carolina 27405

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GUILFORD COUNTY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Historic Preservation Commission Staff Report for Local Historic Landmark Designation

Hearing Date: 07/15/2025

Property Info:

Name: George and Nancy Kestler House

Address: 437 Arlington St., Greensboro, NC 27406

Tax Parcel: 1074

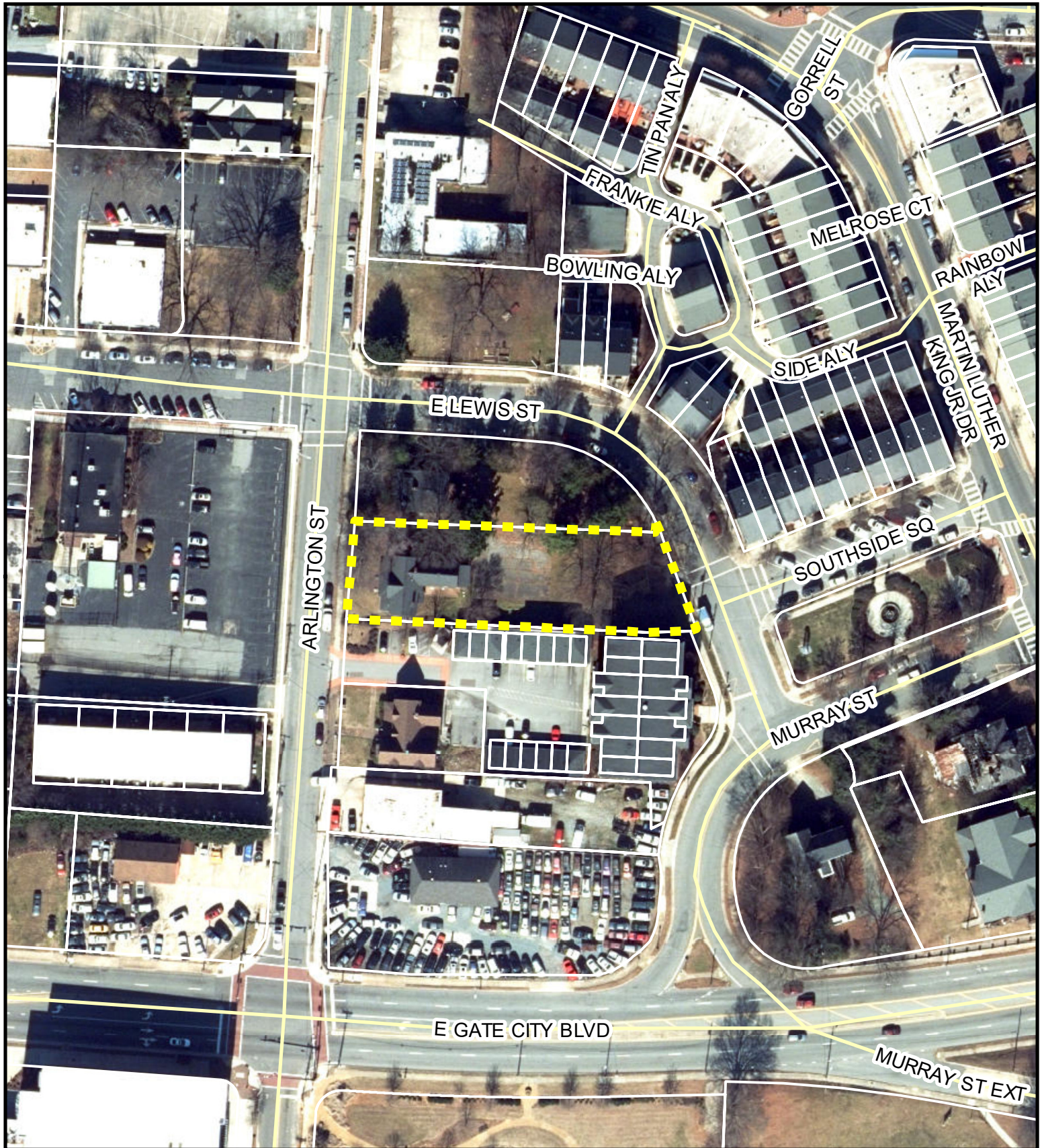
Area: 0.44 acres

Owner(s): Beloved Community Center of Greensboro Inc.

Property Description (from Landmark Report): "The George and Nancy Kestler House, built in 1876, is locally significant to Guilford County as an exceptional example of Italianate architecture. As one of few extant buildings in Greensboro built before 1880, the Kestler House retains a high level of architectural integrity. The house was possibly designed and built by architect Lyndon Swaim (1812-1893), who also constructed the old Guilford County Courthouse (1872) and, likely, the neighboring Gothic Revival William Fields House (1875-1879; NR: 1985). The architect was clearly influenced by Alexander Jackson Downing and may have designed the home based on his drawings in Downings' popular work, *Architecture of Country Houses*. The Kestler House, like its neighbor the William Fields House, is representative of the early phase of mid-19th century residential development in downtown Greensboro, specifically in the Shieldstown neighborhood. The period of significance is the house's 1876 construction date."

Required Findings: Per North Carolina General Statutes § 160D-945, "No property shall be recommended for designation as a historic landmark unless it is deemed and found by the preservation commission to be of special significance in terms of its historical, prehistorical, architectural, or cultural importance and to possess integrity of design, setting, workmanship, materials, feeling, and/or association."

Motion Template: "I move that the Guilford County Historic Preservation Commission recommend **approval/denial** of Landmark Designation Case #25-06-HPC-00006 for the subject property, identified as the George and Nancy Kestler House, located at 437 Arlington Street, being Guilford County Tax Parcel #1074, comprising approximately 0.44 acres and owned by Beloved Community Center of Greensboro Inc., based upon **[(1) describe whether or not the property is of special significance in terms of its historical, prehistorical, architectural or cultural importance; (2) if the property does have special significance, describe the elements of the property that are integral to its historical, architectural or prehistorical value; (3) describe whether or not the property possesses integrity of design, setting, workmanship, materials, feeling and/or association; (4) if moving to recommend approval, specify what the designation will include, e.g., the entire lot and the entire exterior of the home].**"

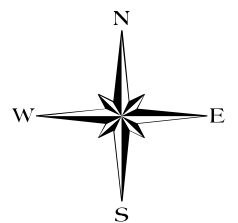


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Department

Jurisdiction:
GREENSBORO

George and Nancy
Kestler House

Tax Parcel #1074
437 Arlington St.



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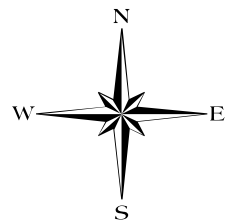


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Affidavit of Notice

I, Avery Tew, do hereby certify that notices have been mailed via United States Postal Service First-Class Mail to the following recipients for **Landmark Designation Case #25-06-HPC-00006**, a sign posted on the subject property and an electronic notice posted on Guilford County's Legal Notices website in accordance with North Carolina General Statutes Chapter 160D-601 and Guilford County Unified Development Ordinance Section 3.2.

BELOVED COMMUNITY CENTER OF
GREENSBORO INC
437 ARLINGTON ST
GREENSBORO, NC 27406

DICK BROADCASTING COMPANY
INC OF TENNESSEE
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HENDERSON, NV 89052

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OZA H
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GREENSBORO, NC 27406

CITY OF GREENSBORO
PO BOX 3136
GREENSBORO, NC 27265

GATE CITY PRESERVATION LLC
211 TATE ST
GREENSBORO, NC 27403

This 2nd day of July, 2025.



Avery Tew, AICP, CZO, Senior Planner
Guilford County Planning and Development
ctew@guilfordcountync.gov
336-641-5678

Sign Postings - Arlington St.



Facing East

Facing South

Facing West

Facing North

Sign Postings - E. Lewis St.



Facing East



Facing West



Facing South



Facing North

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From: Brantley, Kristi <kristi.brantley@dn-cr.nc.gov>
Sent: Friday, June 6, 2025 4:18 PM
To: Avery Tew
Cc: Sullivan, Meghan W
Subject: Kestler House - HPO Comments
Attachments: [GF0668_HPO Comments_Kestler House_2025.pdf](#)

Categories: Historic Preservation

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Good afternoon, Avery,

Attached is a copy of a letter written in response to the proposed designation of **George and Nancy Kestler House, 437 Arlington St., Greensboro, Guilford County**. Please share a copy with your Commission Chair.

If a decision is made to designate the property, please share a copy of the ordinance with me.

I've copied Restoration Specialist Meghan Sullivan as Guilford County is in her territory. Should the owners have any technical questions about the property or are interested in the tax credit program, please feel free to share Meghan's contact information with them. She can be reached at 919-814-6574 or meghan.sullivan@dn-cr.nc.gov.

National Register Coordinator Jeff Smith reviewed the report and offers the following comments:

I recommend adding the following to the landmark application/LDR to strengthen the report:

Section 1.

- *Design. Add "and retains many character-defining features of the Italianate style."*
- *Setting: While the surrounding setting may have always been developed, I would be curious to know more about the undeveloped and built environment that surrounds the Kestler House that dates to its period of construction compared to the current setting. Do early maps show the extent of the Shieldstown neighborhood?*
- *Workmanship. The first sentence speaks more of the integrity of materials rather than workmanship.*
- *Association. This statement doesn't really support any particular level of integrity of association. Since the function of the Kestler House has changed, the integrity of association is not high. But can anything else be said about this aspect of integrity?*

Proposed Boundary Justification. Since this landscape element is not clearly visible in the application maps (Section II), I recommend the addition of a statement that explicitly states

the low stone retaining wall with grapevine joints and mature landscape specimens contemporary to the home are included within the designated property.

Section III. Architectural Description. Page 6

- *Front entrance. In the description of the entrance doors at the end of the top of page 7, I would mention the muntin pattern (e.g., a single lite or two-lite).*
- *New heading. Prior to the last paragraph of this section, it would be helpful to add a heading to indicate the beginning of the interior description. Regarding the interior, the plan is typically called “center hall.” Does it really begin at the front entrance? As written, this seems to be the case.*

Section IV. Historical Background.

- *In the first paragraph, I would include the name of the railroad line that served as a boundary to the commercial district.*

Best,

Kristi

***Please note:**

As of 7/13/2023, my email address changed to kristi.brantley@dncr.nc.gov

Kristi Brantley

CLG/Local Government Coordinator
NC State Historic Preservation Office
NC Dept. of Natural and Cultural Resources
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**North Carolina Department of Natural and Cultural Resources
State Historic Preservation Office**

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Office of Archives and History
Deputy Secretary Darin J. Waters, Ph.D.

June 6, 2025

Avery Tew
Planner II
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Guilford County Historic Preservation Commission
400 West Market St.
Greensboro, NC 27401

ctew@guilfordcountync.gov

RE: Proposed designation of the George and Nancy Kestler House, 437 Arlington St., Greensboro, Guilford County.

Dear Mr. Tew:

Thank you for the report you submitted on the proposed designation of George and Nancy Kestler House, 437 Arlington St., Greensboro, Guilford County. We have reviewed the information in the report and offer the following comments in accordance with North Carolina General Statute 160D-946.

According to the report, the George and Nancy Kestler House is of special local significance because it is an excellent example of Italianate architecture and one of the few extant Greensboro buildings built prior to 1880.

We have made recommendations to staff to make some minor edits to the report. With these edits, we believe this report will provide the preservation commission and local governing board with sufficient information to determine whether the George and Nancy Kestler House possesses the requisite special local significance and integrity for local historic landmark designation.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the report. Please note, our comments are advisory only and therefore, non-binding. Once the governing board has received a recommendation from the Guilford County Historic Preservation Commission, it should proceed in the same manner as would otherwise be required for an amendment to the zoning ordinance. Once the decision has been made, please return a completed copy of the enclosed form to our office.

Landmark designation means the community recognizes the property is worthy of preservation because of its special significance to the local community. Any substantial changes in design, materials, and appearance to the property would be subject to the design review procedures of the preservation

commission. The owner may receive an annual deferral of up to fifty percent of the property taxes for as long as the property is designated and retains significance and integrity. (N.C.G.S. 105-278 *et seq.*).

This letter serves as our comments on the proposed designation of George and Nancy Kestler House, 437 Arlington St., Greensboro, Guilford County. Please contact me at Kristi.brantley@dncr.nc.gov (preferred) or 919-814-6576 should you have any questions about our comments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kristi Brantley". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "K" and a long, horizontal flourish extending from the end of the name.

Kristi Brantley
Local Preservation Commissions/CLG Coordinator

CC: Commission Chair

Enclosure