MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON: STEINER HOUSE

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER: 368 W. Patrick Street

CITY, TOWN: Frederick ___ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE: Maryland

COUNTY: Frederick

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE	
__DISTRICT	__PUBLIC	X OCCUPIED	__AGRICULTURE	X MUSEUM
X BUILDING(S)	X PRIVATE	__UNOCCUPIED	__COMMERCIAL	__PARK
__STRUCTURE	__BOTH	__WORK IN PROGRESS	X EDUCATIONAL	X PRIVATE RESIDENCE formerly
__SITE	**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**	**ACCESSIBLE**	__ENTERTAINMENT	__RELIGIOUS
__OBJECT	__IN PROCESS	X YES: RESTRICTED	__GOVERNMENT	__SCIENTIFIC
	__BEING CONSIDERED	__YES: UNRESTRICTED	__INDUSTRIAL	__TRANSPORTATION
		__NO	__MILITARY	__OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

STATE, zip code

___ VICINITY OF

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

Liber #:

Folio #:

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Frederick County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER: N. Court Street

CITY, TOWN: Frederick, Maryland

STATE

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

__FEDERAL __STATE __COUNTY __LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
X EXCELLENT	__DETERIORATED	X UNALTERED	X ORIGINAL SITE
__GOOD	__RUINS	__ALTERED	__MOVED DATE_____
__FAIR	__UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This very large, well-proportioned Federal home is of brick, 2-1/2 stories, approximately three bays square and located on a corner. It has an "L" shaped brick wing now 2-1/2 stories, but apparently originally two stories in height. This is two bays wide and approximately four bays deep with a 1-1/2 story brick extension being two bays deep and three bays wide. Front brickwork is laid in Flemish bond of an unusually hard brick for the period and has been recently restored. All other brickwork is in common bond. There are "S" brace terminals on the right wall of the front section. The front entranceway occupies the right bay with a very attractive seven ft. high, Federal style doorway of three parts. The six panel door is framed by slender fluted Doric columns and sidelights with leaded tracery and unusual and small louvered shutters. The enframement is of panels. Above is an elliptical arched fanlight in a sunburst design with rows of intersecting roping of lead. The transom bar is moulded and contains a cluster of small pineapples in the center—a symbol of hospitality. The whole is crowned by an elliptical brick arch of dark red voussoirs. The doorway is approached by a three step marble porch with wrought iron railings and a brick pavement in a herringbone design. Windows on three sides of the front section are of 6/6 sash with flat brick arches of dark red voussoirs and are protected by louvered shutters. Rear area windows are also of 6/6 sash of small size and with louvered shutters. Those on the first floor of the wing have dark red, flat brick arches while others have wood lintels and sills. Rear doors vary from a low, six paneled door t sets of Dutch doors and a board and batten door. A simple porch with the roof supported by four posts protects the wing entrance. The attic is lighted by one 6/6 sash window in the left gable and two 6/6 sash on the right side. The front section roof is a moderate slope "A" frame resting on three string brick cornices on the front and rear. A pair of enclosed chimneys joined by a curtain rises from the left gable. The wing has a shed roof with the slope supported by a two string brick cornice and both are of metal. There is a small frame cottage on the grounds with an "A" frame roof. The gardens to the right of the wing are very attractive with beds of evergreens, brick walls, an old cast iron gas lamp, lawn areas, trees, and a statue of a maiden holding a bowl and pitcher from a drinking fountain of an animal welfare group and formerly located at Church and Court Streets. The house sets on a moderately high fieldstone foundation.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
__PREHISTORIC	__ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	__COMMUNITY PLANNING	X LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	__RELIGION
__1400-1499	__ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	__CONSERVATION	__LAW	__SCIENCE
__1500-1599	__AGRICULTURE	__ECONOMICS	__LITERATURE	__SCULPTURE
__1600-1699	X ARCHITECTURE	__EDUCATION	__MILITARY	__SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
__1700-1799	__ART	__ENGINEERING	__MUSIC	__THEATER
X 1800-1899	__COMMERCE	__EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	__PHILOSOPHY	__TRANSPORTATION
__1900-	__COMMUNICATIONS	__INDUSTRY	__POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	__OTHER (SPECIFY)
C1807-C.F. Bowers Date Survey		__INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This old Federal home with Georgian features was quality built by Caleb/ Stephen Steiner, a local architect, surveyer, and banker who also designed the Trinity Chapel steeple and many historic homes. It is said by visiting experts to be an outstanding example of the period in Frederick and in America. This is now a museum and maintained in excellent condition, making it a show-place. When built, the site was on a hilltop on the western edge of the City on the National Pike, the main road to the west and now know as Route 40.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

STATE	COUNTY
STATE	COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE	*DOUGLAS M. GREENE* *ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN*
ORGANIZATION	*HISTORICAL DISTRICT COMMISSION* *CITY of FREDERICK, MD. 21701*
DATE	DECEMBER 1974
STREET & NUMBER	TELEPHONE
CITY OR TOWN	STATE

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

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