

United States Department of the Interior
National Park ServiceNational Register of Historic Places
Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "X" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.



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1. Name of Property

historic name Chambers, Robert, Houseother names/site number BE-536

2. Location

street & number 118 Chambers Road not for publication N/Acity or town Walton vicinity N/Astate Kentucky code KY county Boone code 015 zip code 41094

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this X nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property X meets does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide X locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

David L. Morgan David L. Morgan, SHPO and 6-5-2000
Signature of certifying official/Title Executive Director, KHC Date
State Historic Preservation Office/Kentucky Heritage Council

State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of commenting official/Title _____ Date _____

State or Federal agency and bureau _____

4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that this property is:

X entered in the National Register
 See continuation sheet. determined eligible for the National Register
 See continuation sheet. determined not eligible for the National Register removed from the National Register other (explain): _____

Signature of the Keeper

Edson H. Beall

Date of Action

8/24/00

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Name of Property

Boone County, KY
County and State

5. Classification

Ownership of Property (Check as many boxes as apply)	Category of Property (Check only one box)	Number of Resources within Property (Do not include previously-listed resources in the count)		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	Contributing	Noncontributing	
<input type="checkbox"/> public-local	<input type="checkbox"/> district	2		buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> public-State	<input type="checkbox"/> site			sites
<input type="checkbox"/> public-Federal	<input type="checkbox"/> structure		1	structures
	<input type="checkbox"/> object			objects
		2	1	Total

Name of related multiple property listing
(enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing)
Historic Resources of Boone County Kentucky

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register
0

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)	Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)
<u>DOMESTIC/single dwelling</u>	<u>DOMESTIC/single dwelling</u>
<u>DOMESTIC/secondary structure</u>	<u>DOMESTIC/secondary structure</u>
	<u>RECREATION/CULTURE/sports facility</u>

7. Description

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)	Materials (Enter categories from instructions)
<u>LATE 19TH & EARLY 20TH CENTURY REVIVALS</u>	foundation <u>STONE</u>
	walls <u>WOOD/weatherboard</u>
	roof <u>METAL</u>
	other _____

Narrative Description
(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets)

Refer to continuation sheets

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Description

The Robert Chambers House (BE-536) is a 2½-story clapboarded-sided wood frame residence located on the north side of Chambers Road, a low-traffic country lane, approximately six hundred feet west of its intersection with U.S. Route 25 (known as the Dixie Highway), a major route leading from Covington southward. With reference to the Multiple Property Documentation Form, "Historic Resources of Boone County, Kentucky," the Robert Chambers House represents Property Type 1H, domestic architecture/side-passage house. One historic dependency, a side-entry barn, is associated with the property; it is an example of Property Type II, *domestic outbuildings*, as described in the Boone County MPDF.

The house is rectilinear in form, and is set on a continuous poured concrete foundation. A hipped roof of metal shingles caps the property (Photo 1). The design of the property features a three-bay facade with the main entrance offset on the right side, typical of homes built with the side-passage plan (Photo 1, 2). The entrance incorporates a single door with a transom sash and sidelights (Photo 3). Fenestration employs flat-topped forms, with one-over-one windows; modern exterior shutters have been applied to the windows. On the facade is a one-story open porch of wood construction with a shallow hipped roof and a lattice skirt. The porch is trimmed with by Tuscan columns of wood (Photo 3). Centered on the facade is a roof gable with paired windows opening into the attic and providing light into an otherwise unlighted space. A denticulated frieze runs beneath the eaves of the roof and is repeated in a smaller scale on the porch. The side elevations of the Chambers House are two bays in width. The enclosure of a side porch and the possible early addition of a pantry in no way diminish the overall integrity of the property as a whole. On the rear elevation (Photo 4), a window opening which appears to have originally contained a double window unit has been modified with a modern, double-hung sash; this, too, on a secondary elevation, poses no threat to the otherwise high level of integrity of the property.

The interior of the house is largely original and intact. The main entrance opens into a stair hall with a double-run stair, ornamented with a turned balustrade and rectilinear Neo-Classical Revival-style newels (Photo 5). Fireplace mantles are also executed in the Neo-Classical Revival style. Most woodwork retains its original natural finish (Photo 6).

The Chambers House is sited on a 0.98-acre tract, in an early twentieth-century residential subdivision. Northeast of the house is a contributing two-story timber side-entry timber frame barn, which is used as a stable (Photo 7). The barn is an example of Property Type IIG(2), *English barns*. Between the barn and the house is an in-ground swimming pool and a modern gazebo, both non-contributing features within the context of the nomination.

The house sits back from Chambers Road on a landscaped lot, whose character is defined by a landmark Osage orange tree, approximately 20.5 feet in circumference, which is believed to be nearly four hundred years of age.

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "X" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- ☐ A
- Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
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- ☐ B
- Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
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- ☒ C
- Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
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- ☐ D
- Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations

Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

Property is:

- ☐ A
- owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
-
- ☐ B
- removed from its original location.
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- ☐ C
- a birthplace or a grave.
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- ☐ D
- a cemetery
-
- ☐ E
- a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
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- ☐ F
- a commemorative property.
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- ☐ G
- less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions)

ARCHITECTURE

Period of Significance

c. 1914-1950

Significant Dates

c. 1914

Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

N/A

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Architect/Builder

unidentified

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- ☐
- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested.
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- ☐
- previously listed in the National Register
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- ☐
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
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- ☐
- designated a National Historic Landmark
-
- ☐
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
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- ☐
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

Primary location of additional data:

- ☐
- State Historic Preservation Office
-
- ☐
- Other state agency
-
- ☐
- Federal agency
-
- ☐
- Local government
-
- ☐
- University
-
- ☐
- Other

Name of repository:

United States Department of the Interior
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Significance

The Robert Chambers House (BE-536) is significant under National Register Criterion A, for its architectural design, as an excellent example of the Neo-Classical Revival style as it was applied in a vernacular, local context. The Kentucky Heritage Council Historic Resources Inventory for the house identifies it as "one of the most sophisticated and best-preserved early twentieth-century dwellings in the county." The nominated property is significant within Historic Context V, "Domestic Architecture in Boone County, 1789-1950), as set forth in the Boone County MPDF. The resource retains integrity and the house and its dependency satisfy the Registration Requirements established in the MPDF for Property Type I and II resources, respectively.

The house was built c. 1914 for Robert Chambers, for whose family Chambers Road was named. The Chambers family was a wealthy and prominent local family and at one time this property was the centerpiece of a large estate that may have contained up to 2,000 acres. The original property has since been subdivided into building lots.

With reference to Criterion C, the property is significant as a locally-distinctive example of the Neo-Classical Revival style in Boone County. Although it shares some general characteristics with other period homes in the county, its proportions, detailing, comparatively complex roof form, and materials--particularly the use of redwood for its siding--distinguish it clearly from other examples. Oral historical sources identify the foundation of the Chambers house as one of the oldest poured concrete foundations in Boone County, most foundations of this era being of stone or of the newly-developed concrete block. The pour required three days' work, since the technology had not yet developed to permit a single pour of such size and complexity.

The barn associated with the house is significant as an example of Property Subtype 2G(2), *English barns*, which are noted in the MPDF as being "one of the most common barn types from the mid-nineteenth century through the mid-twentieth century" in Boone County. The Chambers barn is typical of the design of English barns throughout Boone County, with its entrance centered on the long side and opening into a driveway extending through the center of the barn, flanked by stabling areas. This barn compares favorably with other English barns in the county, including that on the Dance Farm (BE-1213), the Jonathan Aylor Farm (BE-1230), and on the John J. Walton Farm (BE-14). The Chambers barn is not as well-maintained as is the English farm on the B. F. Rogers Farm (BE-1244).

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BIBLIOGRAPHY

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Lake, D. J. **Atlas of Boone, Kenton, and Campbell Counties, Kentucky** (Philadelphia: D. J. Lake & Co., 1883).

Warminski, Margo. Kentucky Historic Resources Survey Form BE-356 ("Richard [sic] Chambers House"), filed at Kentucky Heritage Council, Frankfort, Kentucky.

Chambers, Robert, House
Name of Property

Boone County, KY
County and State

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property 0.98 acres

UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

	Zone	Easting	Northing	Zone	Easting	Northing	
1	16	707 380	4307 000	3			Independence Quad
2				4			

N/A See continuation sheet.

Verbal Boundary Description

(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification

(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

11. Form Prepared By

name/title David L. Taylor, Principal

organization Taylor & Taylor Associates, Inc. date November, 1999

street & number 9 Walnut Street telephone 814-849-4900

city or town Brookville state PA zip code 15825

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

A **USGS map** (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A **sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative **black and white** photographs of the property.

Additional items

(Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)

name Mr. & Mrs. Ed Vorderbrueggen

street & number 118 Chambers Road telephone _____

city or town Walton state KY zip code 41094

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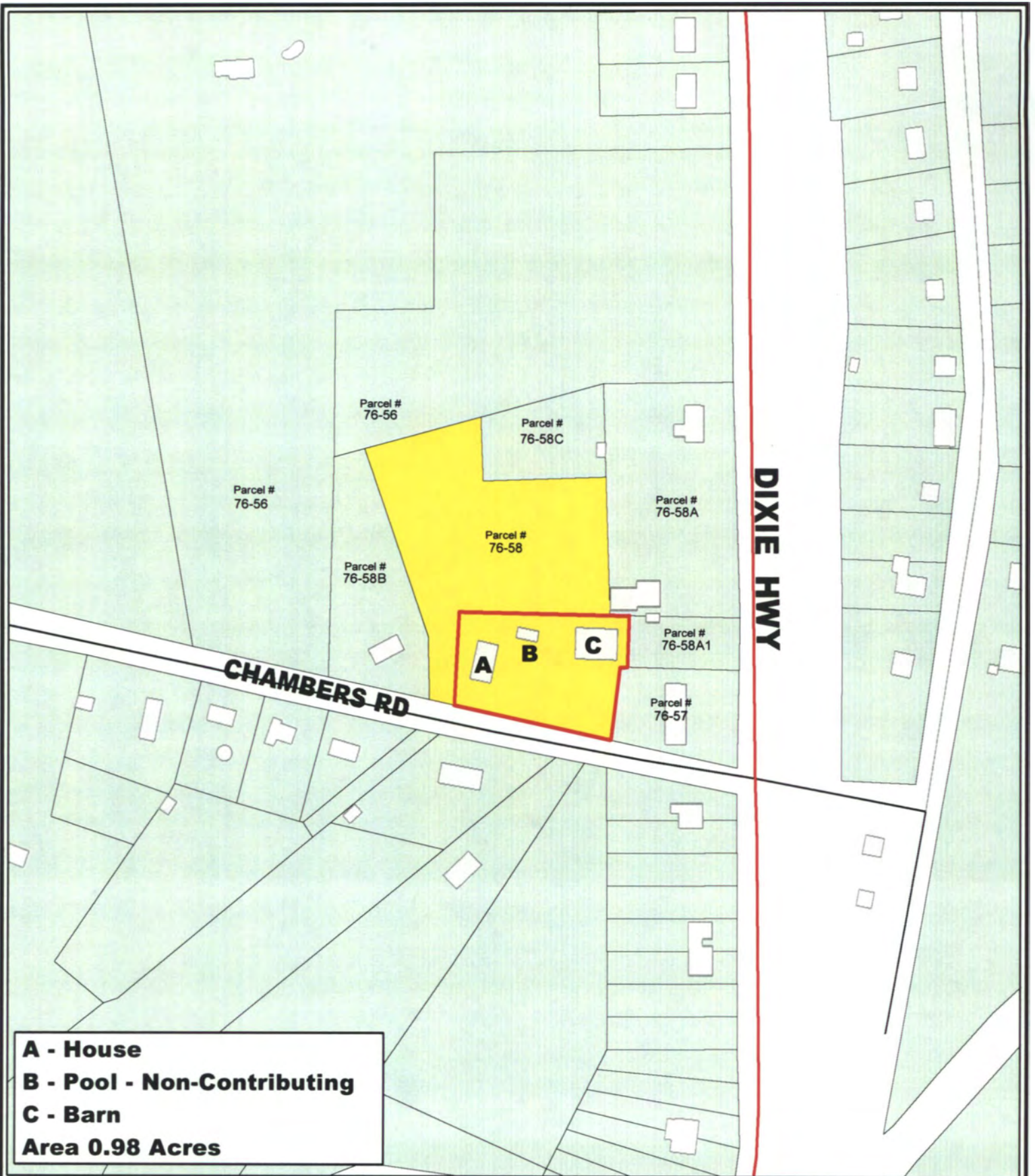
VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Being a portion of that property described in Boone County, Kentucky Deed Book 301, Page 127 and Property Tax Parcel Map No. 76-58, measuring north 262', east 294', south 248', and west 143', totaling 0.98 acres; the nominated area is more particularly depicted on the attached map prepared by the Boone County Planning Commission.

JUSTIFICATION

The boundaries of this nomination incorporate only the Robert Chambers House and the associated barn, both of which have been historically a part of this property and retain their architectural integrity and significance.

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A - House
B - Pool - Non-Contributing
C - Barn
Area 0.98 Acres

Historic Resources of Boone County, KY

Robert Chambers

BE - 536

200 0 200 Feet

1 inch equals 200 feet

Produced by the
Boone County Planning Commission
GIS Services Division
March 20, 2000



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY Chamber, Robert, House
NAME:

MULTIPLE Boone County, Kentucky MPS
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: KENTUCKY, Boone

DATE RECEIVED: 7/13/00 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 7/25/00
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 8/10/00 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 8/27/00
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 00000906

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

___ACCEPT ___RETURN ___REJECT _____DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

RECOM./CRITERIA_____

REVIEWER_____DISCIPLINE_____

TELEPHONE_____DATE_____

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N





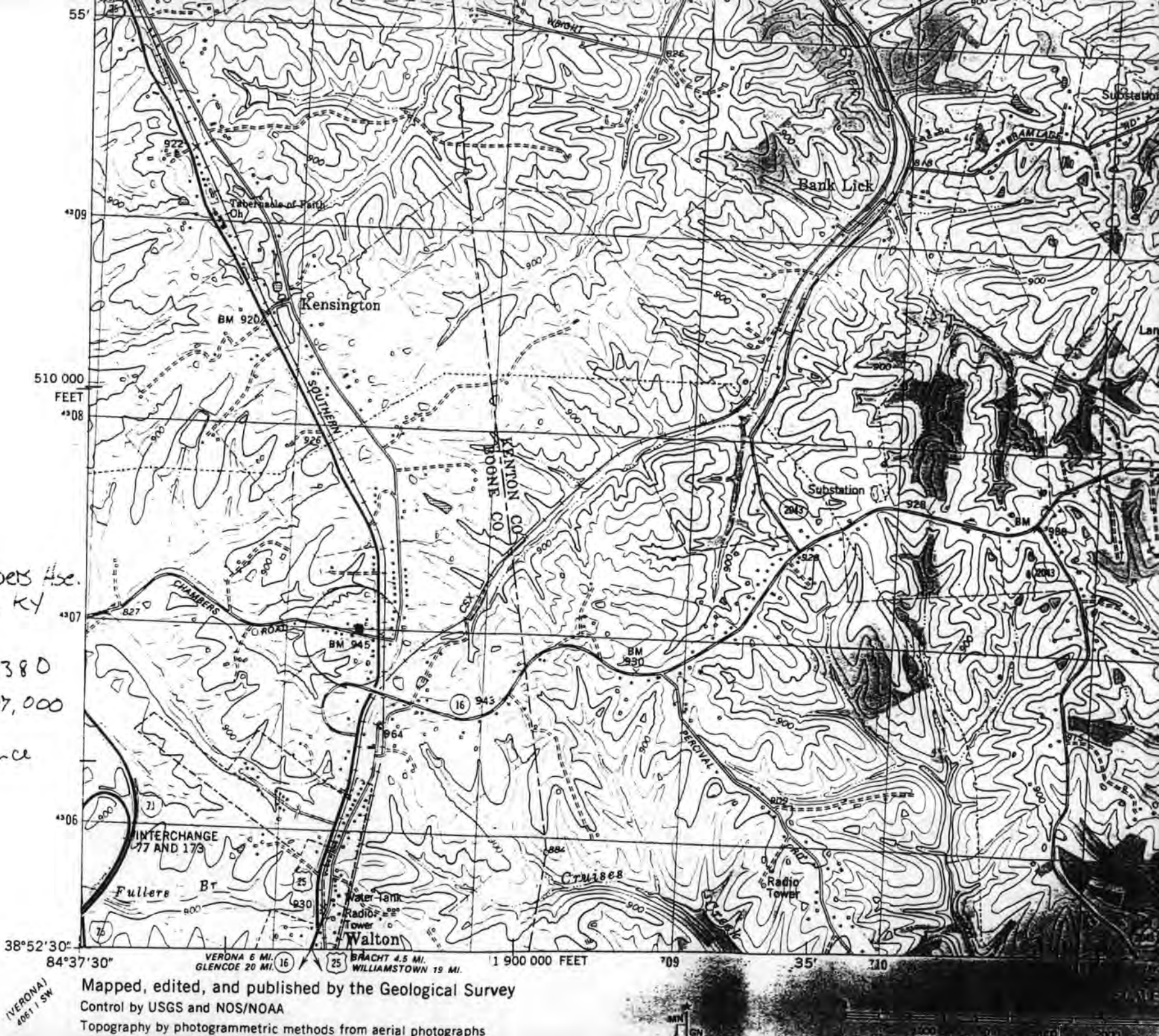








Robert Chambers Hse.
 Boone County, KY
 Zone 16
 Easting - 707, 380
 Northing - 4,307,000
 Independence
 Quad



VERONA
 4061 SW

Mapped, edited, and published by the Geological Survey
 Control by USGS and NOS/NOAA
 Topography by photogrammetric methods from aerial photographs

Please refer to the map in the
Boone County MRA Cover
Sheet for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000206



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June 1, 2000



Ms. Carol Shull, Chief
National Register of Historic Places
National Park Service, U. S. Department of Interior
1849 C St. NW Room NC 400
Washington, D. C. 20240

Dear Ms. Shull:

Enclosed is documentation for Kentucky properties recommended by the Review Board to meet the National Register eligibility criteria at their May 18, 2000 meeting. The properties include:

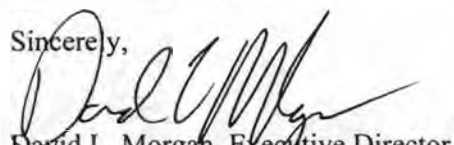
Irvine Grade School, Estill County, KY
Irvine Historic Business District, Estill County, KY
Lakes, Arthur, Log House, Jackson County, KY
Lee, Addison, House, Jefferson County, KY
Wirth, Lang & Company/ The Louisville Leather Company Tanning Building, Jefferson Co, KY
Camp Nelson, Jessamine County, KY
Moser Houses, Kenton County, KY
Home of the Friendless, McCracken County, KY
Shake Rag Historic District, Warren County, KY

Also included is the Multiple Property Submission, **Historic and Architectural Resources of the County of Boone, Kentucky, 1789-1950**. The nominations supported by this cover include:

Jenkins-Berkshire House,	Verona High School	Rogers, Boone Fowler, Barn
Clore, Jonas Log House	Stevenson, Dr. John E., House	Huey, Thomas, Farm
Blankenbecker-Riley Farm	Williams, Caroline, Log House	Goodridge, Virginia Corey, House
George-Vest House	Gregory, Peter House	Glore, William Milburn, House
Chambers, Robert, House	Chambers, C. Scott, House and Funeral Parlor	

As State Historic Preservation Officer, I conclude that these properties meet the National Register eligibility criteria. I request that they be entered in the National Register of Historic Places. Thank you for considering the historic significance of these Kentucky properties.

Sincerely,


David L. Morgan, Executive Director
Kentucky Heritage Council and
State Historic Preservation Officer

