



DELAWARE STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE  
15 THE GREEN, DOVER, DE 19901

CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION FORM

CRS # K-7361  
SPO Map 12-13-19  
South  
Hundred Murderkill  
Quad Frederica  
Other \_\_\_\_\_

1. HISTORIC NAME/FUNCTION: Smith Property/Residence
2. ADDRESS/LOCATION: 177 Mulberrie Point Road; North Side of Road
3. TOWN/NEAREST TOWN: Little Heaven vicinity?
4. MAIN TYPE OF RESOURCE:      building       structure       site       object   
   landscape       district
5. MAIN FUNCTION OF PROPERTY: \_\_\_\_\_
6. PROJECT TITLE/ REASON FOR SURVEY (if applicable):  
SR 1 Little Heaven Interchange

7. ADDITIONAL FORMS USED:

#:	Form:	List property types:
1	CRS 2 Main Building Form	dwelling
1	CRS 3 Secondary Building Form	garage
0	CRS 4 Archaeological Site Form	
0	CRS 5 Structure (Building-Like) Form	
0	CRS 6 Structure (Land Feature) Form	
0	CRS 7 Object Form	
0	CRS 8 Landscape Elements Form	
1	CRS 9 Map Form	N/A
0	CRS 14 Potential District Form	

8. SURVEYOR INFORMATION:

Surveyor name: Lauren C. Archibald

Principal Investigator name: Lauren C. Archibald

Principal Investigator signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: A.D. Marble & Company Date: July 2004

9. OTHER NOTES OR OBSERVATIONS:

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10. STATE HISTORIC CONTEXT FRAMEWORK (check all appropriate boxes; refer to state management plan(s)):

- a) Time period(s)
- Pre-European Contact
  - Paleo-Indian
  - Archaic
  - Woodland I
  - Woodland II
  - 1600-1750∇ Contact Period (Native American)
  - 1630-1730∇ Exploration and Frontier Settlement
  - 1730-1770∇ Intensified and Durable Occupation
  - 1770-1830∇ Early Industrialization
  - 1830-1880∇ Industrialization and Early Urbanization
  - 1880-1940∇ Urbanization and Early Suburbanization
  - 1940-1960∇ Suburbanization and Early Ex-urbanization

- b) Geographical zone
- Piedmont
  - Upper Peninsula
  - Lower Peninsula/Cypress Swamp
  - Coastal
  - Urban (City of Wilmington)

- c) Historic period theme(s)
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|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture           | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation and Communication                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Forestry              | <input type="checkbox"/> Settlement Patterns and Demographic Changes              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Trapping/Hunting      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture, Engineering and Decorative Arts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mining/Quarrying      | <input type="checkbox"/> Government   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fishing/Oystering     | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Manufacturing         | <input type="checkbox"/> Education  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Retailing/Wholesaling | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Organizations                                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Finance               | <input type="checkbox"/> Occupational Organizations                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Professional Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Major Families, Individuals and Events                   |



CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
MAIN BUILDING FORM

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1. ADDRESS/LOCATION: 177 Mulberrie Point Road; North Side Of Road

2. FUNCTION(S): historic Residence current Residence

3. YEAR BUILT: 1946 CIRCA?:  ARCHITECT/BUILDER: \_\_\_\_\_

4. STYLE OR FLOOR PLAN: Pre-fabricated/Modular

5. INTEGRITY: original site  moved   
if moved, from where other location's CRS # year

list major alterations and additions with years (if known) year  
a. \_\_\_\_\_  
b. \_\_\_\_\_

6. CURRENT CONDITION: excellent  good  fair  poor

7. DESCRIPTION: (Describe the resource as completely as possible. Use N/A for not applicable; leave no blanks.)

a. Overall shape: Rectangular with front porch Stories: 1  
Additions: Wing

b. Structural system (if known): Unknown (pre-fabricated)

c. Foundation: materials: Concrete block  
basement: full  partial  not visible  no basement

d. Exterior walls (original if visible& any subsequent coverings): Vinyl siding

e. Roof: shape: Side gable  
materials: Asbestos shingles  
cornice: n/a  
dormers: n/a  
chimney: location(s): Interior, off center

8. DESCRIPTION OF ELEVATIONS:

a. Facade: Direction: S  
1) Bays 4 overall  
2) Windows irregular  
fenestration ribbon or continuous-type; windows in sets: 3, 4, 3 and 2 respectively  
type 6/6 and 1/1 sash  
trim vinyl  
shutters screw-on type

## Facade (cont'd)

- 3) Door(s) n/a
  - location n/a
  - type n/a
  - trim n/a
- 4) Porch(es) enclosed, added on

## b. Side: Direction: E

- 1) Bays 10
- 2) Windows
  - fenestration irregular
  - type 3, double hung 1/1 windows; picture window near center, 6, 3-pane windows
  - trim vinyl
  - shutters n/a
- 3) Door(s) 2
  - location near south wall and toward north wing
  - type single leaf
  - trim vinyl
- 4) Porch(es) n/a

## c. Side: Direction: W

- 1) Bays 7
- 2) Windows irregular
  - fenestration varies for each section, 7 total
  - type 6/6, 3/3, and 1/1
  - trim vinyl
  - shutters screw-on
- 3) Door(s) n/a
  - location n/a
  - type n/a
  - trim n/a
- 4) Porch(es) n/a

## d. Rear: Direction: N

- 1) Bays 6 (on wing), 3 on East wing - total 9
- 2) Windows
  - fenestration irregular
  - type 3-pane windows (on wing); others 6/6; some double hung, others slide up and down
  - trim vinyl
  - shutters n/a
- 3) Door(s) n/a
  - location n/a
  - type n/a
  - trim n/a
- 4) Porch(es) n/a

9. INTERIOR: n/a

10. LANDSCAPING: n/a

11. OTHER COMMENTS: Side carport; attached shed; all connected to building.



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CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
SECONDARY BUILDING FORM

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1. ADDRESS/LOCATION: 177 Mulberrie Point Road; North Side of Road

2. FUNCTION(S): historic Garage current Garage

3. YEAR BUILT: 1975 CIRCA?:  ARCHITECT/BUILDER: \_\_\_\_\_

4. STYLE/FLOOR PLAN: \_\_\_\_\_

5. INTEGRITY: original site  moved   
if moved, from where original location's CRS # year

list major alterations and additions with years (if known) year

a. \_\_\_\_\_

b. \_\_\_\_\_

6. CURRENT CONDITION: excellent  good  fair  poor

7. DESCRIPTION:

a. Structural system Frame

b. Number of stories 1

c. Wall coverings Vinyl siding

d. Foundation Concrete

e. Roof  
structural system Front gable  
coverings Asphalt shingle  
openings

8. DESCRIPTION OF ELEVATIONS:

- a. Facade: direction: S
- 1) bays: 2
  - 2) windows: n/a
  - 3) door(s): 1 pedestrian, 1 garage door
  - 4) other: n/a

b. Side: direction: E

- 1) bays: 1
- 2) windows: 1
- 3) door(s): n/a
- 4) other: n/a

c. Side: direction: W

- 1) bays: 1
- 2) windows: 1
- 3) door(s): n/a
- 4) other: n/a

d. Rear: direction: N

- 1) bays: 1
- 2) windows: n/a
- 3) door(s): n/a
- 4) other: n/a

9. INTERIOR (if accessible):

a) Floor plan           n/a

b) Partition/walls       n/a

c) Finishes           n/a

d) Furnishings/machinery   n/a



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CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY  
MAP FORM

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1. ADDRESS/LOCATION: 177 Mulberrie Point Road, South Murderkill Hundred, Kent County

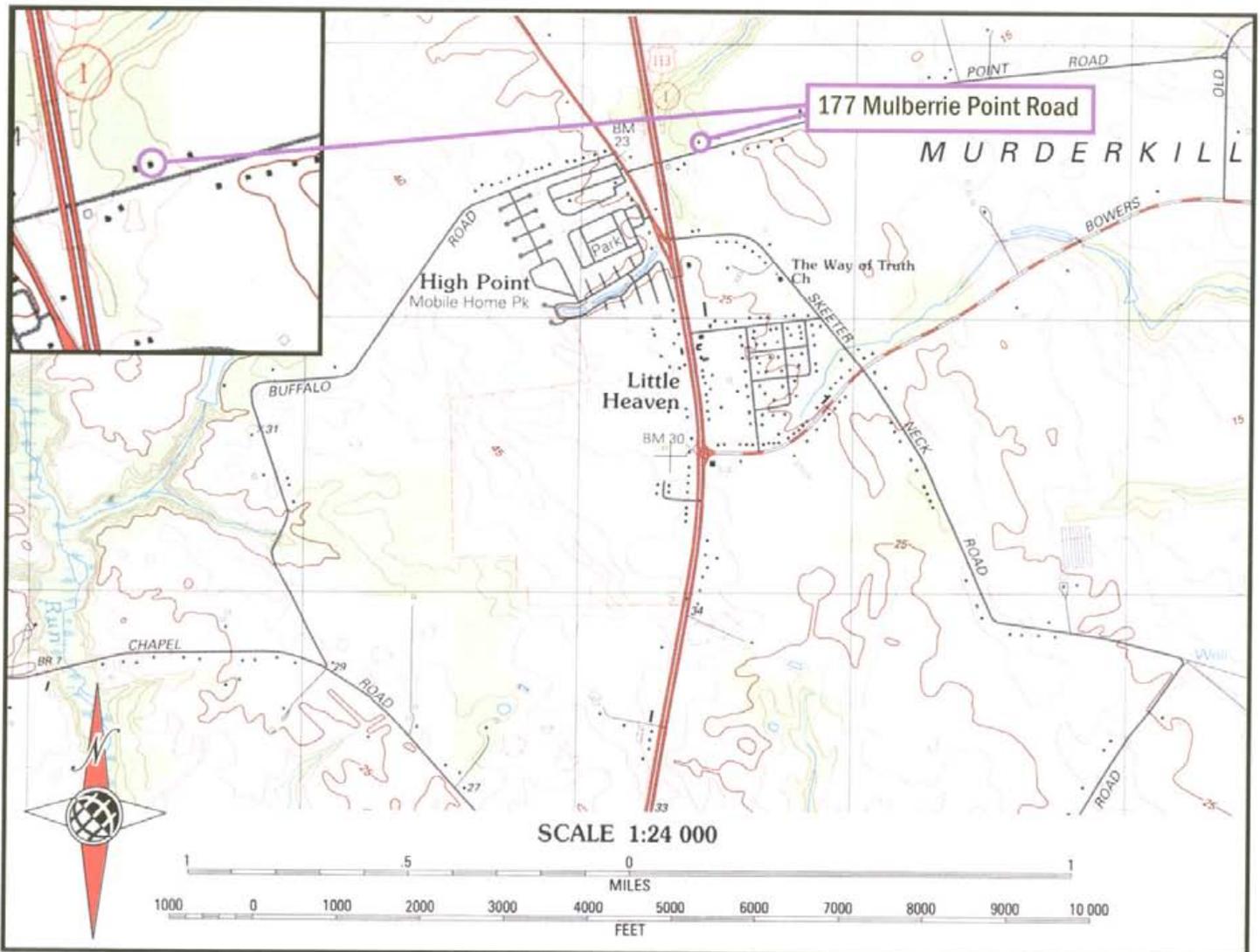
2. NOT FOR PUBLICATION  reason: \_\_\_\_\_

3. LOCATION MAP:

Indicate position of resource in relation to geographical landmarks such as streams and crossroads.

(attach section of USGS quad map with location marked or draw location map )

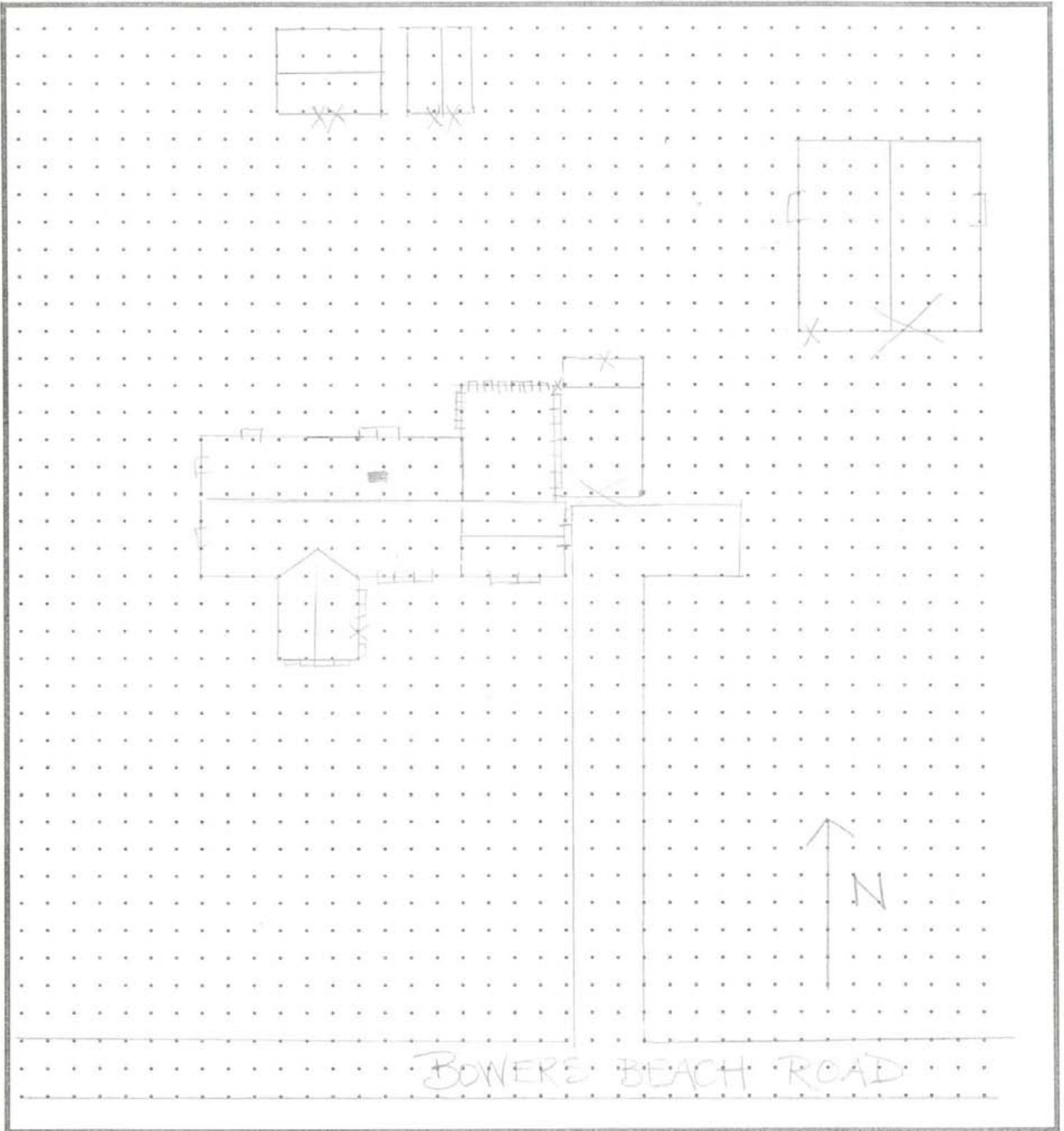
INDICATE NORTH ON SKETCH



4. SITE PLAN:

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INDICATE NORTH ON PLAN



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**Smith Property**

**General Description.** The Smith Property is located at number 177 on the north side of Mulberrie Point Road in Kent County, Delaware. The property includes a ranch dwelling (ca. 1946) that has been expanded and updated, a garage (ca. 1975), and two modern utility sheds. The dwelling is located along the west side of a paved driveway that leads north from Mulberrie Point Road, passing a carport attached to the east elevation of the dwelling. The garage is located to the north at the end of the driveway, while the modern utility sheds are located northwest of the garage. The buildings are located amidst a landscaped yard space that includes a number of deciduous trees. Both the dwelling and garage continue under residential use. Overall, the property appears to be in good condition.

**Main Building.** The walls of the dwelling are constructed of frame, clad in vinyl, and rest on a concrete foundation. The original ranch block (ca. 1946) of the dwelling is composed of a one-story, side gable block that faces south. This main block has three additions: 1) an intersecting one-story gable front addition at the western end of the south elevation, which faces east; 2) a one-story side gable addition to the façade, which faces south; and 3) a one-story shed-roofed addition to the rear (north) elevation. A portion of the rear addition shelters a car port space.

The south elevation of the dwelling features nine window openings in the form of bands of one-over-one double-hung sash windows. Vinyl, screw-on shutters flank the window openings at this elevation, as they do at the east and west elevations.

At the east elevation of the gable front addition to the south elevation (addition no. 1) is an entrance door and three window openings. A large picture window is located in the east elevation in the gable end of the second addition. The enclosed portion of the third, shed-roofed addition features bands of windows with three horizontal lights at the east elevation.

The rear (north) elevation of the main block is pierced by paired and single one-over-one double-hung sash windows. The rear elevation does not have shutters at the window openings.

The west elevation of the dwelling has two one-over-one double-hung sash windows at the first story and a metal louvered vent at the attic level.

**Outbuildings/Garage.** A one-story frame garage (ca. 1980), which faces south, is located northeast of the dwelling house. The frame building is clad in vinyl siding and the roof is clad in asphalt shingles. The façade has an overhead metal garage door and a twelve-light over a paneled metal pedestrian door. Window openings are located at the east and west elevations in the form of one-over-one double-hung sash.

The modern utility sheds are both of frame construction and are clad in vinyl siding at the walls and asphalt shingles at the gable roofs. Both feature hinged wooden doors at the south elevation. The westernmost shed is side gable in orientation, while the easternmost shed is gable front in orientation. The western shed has an overhead light attached to the south elevation.

**Historical Background.** On June 13, 1929, Elizabeth Boone sold the property to Herman and Estelle Roe for \$750 (KCDB N14: 260). On August 21, 1952, Estelle and Herman Roe sold the property containing 63.27 acres to Jane and Charles Bryan Jr. for \$21,450 (KCDB P19: 456). August 21, 1952, Jane R. and Charles Bryan Jr. conveyed the property containing 63.27 acres along with "...the dwelling, barn, and other out buildings" to Estelle C and Herman T Roe (KCDB P19: 458). On May 15, 1956, Herman and Estelle Roe sold the property containing 19,350 square feet to Chester and Frank Bregger for \$50 (KCDB F21: 278). On March 4, 1959, Charles and Louise Schroer sold the property containing 19,350 square feet to Argyle and Ruth Polley for \$11,700 (KCDB A22: 455). On March 20, 1963, Argyle W and Ruth Polley sold the property to Robert and Betty Smith for \$13,500 (KCDB G23: 169).

**Evaluation.** The Smith Property at 177 Mulberrie Point Road is recommended not eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places because it does not meet the eligibility criteria established by the National Park Service (NPS 1997). While the Smith Property retains a dwelling house representative of early- to mid-twentieth-century residential architecture, the dwelling lacks integrity of materials due to the replacement of windows, and the large number of subsequent additions. The loss of integrity affects its ability to convey trends in mid-twentieth-century residential development, so it is recommended not eligible for listing in the National Register under Criterion A.

Property-specific research and documentary research of the area in general did not reveal any associations between the Smith Property and significant events or trends in local, state, or national history. Likewise, research did not reveal any associations with significant individuals; therefore, the property is recommended not eligible for listing under Criterion B. The dwelling house does not display the distinctive characteristics of a type, style, or method of construction, nor does it represent the work of a master or possess high artistic value; therefore, it is recommended not eligible under Criterion C in the area of architecture. Archaeological investigations have not yet been conducted on this property; therefore, the resource's eligibility under Criterion D (potential to yield information important to history or prehistory) cannot be assessed at this time.

## **Bibliography**

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Kent County Deed Books, Kent County Courthouse, Dover, Delaware.

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