


WEST VIRGINIA HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY FORM

Street Address 187 Brucetown Road	Common/Historic Property Name/ Both Peter Hunsicker House; "Prospect Hall"	Field Survey # Jefferson County 2007 Survey No. 181	Site # (SHPO Only) JF-0999
Town or Community vic. Middleway	County Jefferson	Negative No. Jefferson County 2007 Survey Roll 13, Negative 2, 3	NR Listed Date n/a
Architect/Builder unidentified	Date of Construction c. 1804 and after	Style central-passage	
Exterior Siding/Materials brick; weatherboard	Roofing Material standing-seam metal	Foundation stone	
Property Use or Function Residence <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial Other	UTM # 17/756485/4351628		
Survey Organization & Date Taylor & Taylor Associates, for the Jefferson County Historic Landmarks Commis- sion, 2007	Quadrangle Name Inwood, WV-VA Part of What Survey/FR# Jefferson County 2007 Survey		

Sketch Map of Property
or Attach Copy of USGS Map



Present Owners	Owner's Mailing Address
Phone #	
Describe Setting	_____ Acres
<p>This property is located in rural Jefferson County, southwest of Middleway, on a large tract just east of the Opequon Creek, which traverses the property and marks the line between Berkeley and Jefferson Counties.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">_____ Archaeological Artifacts Present</p>	
Description of Buildings or Site (Original and Present)	_____ 2 _____ Stories _____ 9 _____ Front Bays
<p>Main portion consists of a 5-bay central-passage side-gable house, to which have been appended several additions of varying age, generally in keeping with the character of the property. Main entry on 5-bay section features a single door with transom sash. Fenestration flat-topped, with multi-light sash and exterior operable shutters.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>(Use Continuation Sheets)</i></p>	
Alterations	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> If yes, describe Property has been converted for use as a shooting club. Yes No
Additions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> If yes, describe Several, generally appearing to date from within the Period of Significance. Yes No
Describe All Outbuildings	
<p>Dependencies include two substantial wood frame barns, one of which is a Sweitzer barn with a shed-roofed addition and a silo.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>(Use Continuation Sheets)</i></p>	
Statement of Significance	
<p>Joseph Edwards received a land grant of 639 acres and became the first owner of this property. Peter Hunsiker was the third owner and began building this house c. 1804. The original building was completed in 1808. The 1852 S. Howell Brown map of Jefferson County indicates this to have been owned by Peter Hunsiker's heirs; by the time of the 1883 Brown map it was shown as the home of Rebecca Hunsicker. A great nephew, C. W. Henshaw, acquired the property in 1885 and it remained in the family until 1951. It is now a private shooting/recreational club. It appears eligible for the National Register under Criterion C, for <i>architecture</i>, although this preliminary evaluation would have to be confirmed by an inspection of the interior and the concurrence of the SHPO.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>(Use Continuation Sheets)</i></p>	
Bibliographical References	
<p>Chambers, S. Allen, Jr. Buildings of West Virginia. New York: Oxford University Press, 2004.</p> <p>Brown, S. Howell. "Map of Jefferson County, Virginia." Charles Town, Virginia, S. Howell Brown, 1852.</p> <p>_____. "Map of Jefferson County, West Virginia." Charles Town, West Virginia: S. Howell Brown, 1883.</p> <p>Jefferson County Bicentennial Committee. A Bicentennial History of Jefferson County, West Virginia. Charles Town, West Virginia: Jefferson County Bicentennial Committee, 2001.</p> <p>Jefferson County Historical Society. Between the Shenandoah and the Potomac: Historic Homes of Jefferson County, West Virginia. Winchester, Virginia: Winchester Printers, 1990.</p> <p>Jefferson County Land Records, Court House, Charles Town, West Virginia.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>(Use Continuation Sheets)</i></p>	
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