

Virginia Department of Historic Resources PIF Resource Information Sheet

This information sheet is designed to provide the Virginia Department of Historic Resources with the necessary data to be able to evaluate the significance of the property for possible listing in the Virginia Landmarks Register and the National Register of Historic Places. This is not a formal nomination, but a necessary step in determining whether or not the property could be considered eligible for listing. Please take the time to fill in as many fields as possible. A greater number of completed fields will result in a more timely and accurate assessment. Staff assistance is available to answer any questions you have in regards to this form.

General Property Information	For Staff Use Only DHR ID #: 007-1061
Property Name(s): <u>Samuel B. Finley House</u>	
Property Date(s): <u>1854</u> Circa Pre Post	Open to Public? Yes Limited No
Property Address: <u>275 Cline River Road</u> City: <u>Mt. Sidney</u> Zip: <u>24467</u>	
County or Ind. City: <u>Augusta</u>	USGS Quad(s): <u>Fort Defiance</u>

Physical Character of General Surroundings	
Acreage: <u>171</u> Setting (choose one): Urban Town Village Suburban Rural Transportation Corridor	
Site Description Notes/Notable Landscape Features: <u>The Finley House faces south, overlooking the Middle River from a gently sloping bluff. The setting is rural and is just outside of the Piedmont Battlefield Core area, but within the study area.</u>	
Secondary Resource Description (Briefly describe any other structures (or archaeological sites) that may contribute to the significance of the property: <u>Bank Barn (1880), Smoke House, Windmill (1908), Corn Crib (1910) all in good/fair condition</u>	
Ownership Category: <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Public-Local <input type="checkbox"/> Public-State <input type="checkbox"/> Public-Federal	

Individual Resource Information	
What was the historical use of this resource? Examples include: Dwelling, Grist Mill, Bridge, Store, Tobacco Barn, etc... <u>Dwelling as part of a plantation with support buildings</u>	
What is the current use? (if other than the historical use)	<u>Dwelling</u>
Architectural style or elements of styles:	<u>Greek Revival</u>
Architect, builder, or original owner:	<u>Original owner – Samuel B. Finley</u>
# of stories <u>2</u> Condition: Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated Poor Ruins Rebuilt Renovated	
Are there any known threats to this property? <u>None</u>	

Resource Component Information

Please answer the following questions regarding the individual components of the resource. If the component does not exist, answer “n/a.” If you feel uncomfortable in answering the question, please leave the space blank. Photographs of the features can also help our staff identify specific feature components. Usually, priority is given to describing features on the primary (front) facade of the structure.

Foundation: Describe the foundation that supports the structure. Examples include piers, continuous brick, poured concrete.
Continuous brick

Structure: Describe the primary structural component of the resource. Include primary material used. Examples include log, frame (sawn lumber), and brick. Also include the treatment, such as a particular brick bond or type of framing, if known.
Brick masonry in six-course common bond with a variant course of Flemish bond

Walls: Describe the exterior wall covering such as beaded weatherboard or asbestos shingles.
Brick masonry; eaves trimmed with a molded box cornice over a broad frieze

Windows: Describe the number, material, and form of the primary windows. This includes the number of panes per sash, what the sashes are made of, and how the sashes operate (are they hinged or do they slide vertically) Have the windows been replaced?
20 windows, double hung wooden sash of 4 over 4, frames have corner blocks, all original windows, some original glass remains

Porch: Briefly describe the primary (front) porch. List the primary material, shape of the porch roof, and other defining details.
Wooden, railed with open second story, Colonial Revival character (circa 1907), slanted metal roof

Roof: Describe the roof, listing the shape and the covering material.
Hipped roof covered in standing seam metal

Chimney(s): List the number of chimneys and the materials used. Include the brick bond pattern if possible.
6 brick chimneys. Flemish bond variant, cap, corbeled

Architectural Description of Individual Resource: *(Please describe architectural patterns, types, features, additions, remodelings, or other alterations. A sketch of the current floor plan would be appreciated.)*

Exterior

The Cline-Finley House, located east of Mt. Sidney in Augusta County, is a two-story, three-bay brick dwelling constructed as a vernacular variation of the Greek Revival style. The house features a double-pile main block with a rear ell brick addition. The house is topped with a hipped roof covered in standing-seam metal. The hipped roof is pierced by four interior brick chimneys on the main block with the ell featuring one interior brick chimney at its rear wall. The brick on façade is laid in Flemish bond while the east, west and rear elevations are laid in six course American Bond. The eaves of the main block and the ell are trimmed with a molded boxed cornice over an extensive frieze.

The façade features a full width porch, dating probably from the early 20th century. The porch is situated on brick piers and covered by a flat roof supported by six simple Roman columns and includes a simple replacement balustrade. The fenestration includes two large and tall paired four-over-four windows flanking a centered entryway. Each of the windows features an elaborately molded surround. The double door entryway is topped with a five light transom and four light sidelights. The entry also features a Greek revival styled surround.

The west and east elevations feature four paired four-over-over windows and two small three light basement windows, all with simply molded surrounds and corner blocks.

The rear or service ell, constructed ca. 1859, is laid in common or American bond with a Flemish variant. Covered porches have been added to the east and west elevations.

Interior

The Cline-Finley House is two-rooms deep, has a center passage plan with two front parlors, a back parlor and a dining room, which has been remodeled for use as kitchen. Each room features impeccably preserved original plaster walls, original pine floors and Greek Revival post and lintel mantels. There are mantels in each of the parlors on the first story and in all four rooms on the second story. All of the doors on the first floor main block feature double vertical panels some with plain surrounds while others feature molded surrounds with corner blocks. Remarkable painted stenciling can be found throughout both front parlors and the center passage.

The second floor mirrors the first floor plan with four rooms and a wide center passage. The center passage features original flooring, original flooring. The walls are original plaster with the fine stenciling continued from the first floor parlors. A dropped ceiling was added in the second floor center hall but the original ceilings with stenciling still exist under the lowered ceiling.

No significant changes have been made to the primary dwelling since the last two surveys. The only major clarification from the latest site visit is in regards to the location of the modern kitchen. It is not located in the ell but in the rear northwest parlor.

Secondary Resources:

Smokehouse- ca. 1900 (NC)

Garage (ca. 1930) (NC)

Corn Crib (ca. 1920)-NC

Bank Barn (ca. 1920)-NC

Silos(3)-NC

Storage Building (Ca. 1980)- NC

Windmill (ca. 1920)-NC

Significance Statement: Briefly note any significant events, personages, and/or families associated with the property. (Detailed family genealogies are not necessary.) Please list all sources of information. It is not necessary to attach lengthy articles or genealogies to this form. Normally, only information contained on this form will be posted for consideration by the State Review Board.

Samuel B. Finley and his wife, Sarah McClung Finley, built their house in 1854 or 1855 on land conveyed by Samuel McClung, the father of Sarah McClung Finley. The plantation eventually included support buildings of a blacksmith shop, carriage house, wagon shed, ice house, smoke house, stables, and slaves quarters. The house was used as a Union hospital following the Battle of Piedmont in 1864. After the deaths of Samuel and Sarah Finley, the property was sold to P. Harvey Cline in 1907. P. Harvey Cline owned the house until his death in 1945, at which time it was sold to W.I. Grove. In 1972, the property was sold to Piedmont Dairy. Mr. And Mrs. Charles M. Cline, current occupants, moved into the house in 1950. In 2013, the Clines sold the house and farm to the current owner, Buffalo Run, L.C.

The Cline Finley House is being considered eligible under Criterion C, architecture as an excellent example of a vernacular adaptation of the Greek Revival style for the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia. The period of significance extends from ca. 1854, the date of construction until 1875 when the property was sold and was no longer owned by the Finley family. With additional research it is possible the property could be considered eligible under Criterion A, Agriculture for an early prosperous farm in Augusta County that continued to prosper after the war and well into the 20th century.

Sources:

VDHR Architectural Survey Form

My Augusta by C.E. May

Legal Owner(s) of the Property (For more than one owner, please use a separate sheet.)

Mr. Mrs. Dr. Miss Ms. Hon.	Buffalo Run, L.C.		
	(Name)	(Firm)	
825 Chapel Hill Lane	Weyers Cave	VA	24486
(Address)	(City)	(State)	(Zip Code)
tgheatwole@ntelos.net	540-820-3232		
(Email Address)	(Daytime telephone including area code)		

Owner's Signature: Victoria G. Heatwole for Buffalo Run, L.C. Date: 05/04/2016

•• Signature required for processing all applications. ••

In the event of corporate ownership you must provide the name and title of the appropriate contact person.

Contact person: Tori Heatwole

Daytime Telephone: (540) 820-3232

Applicant Information (Individual completing form if other than legal owner of property)

Mr. Mrs. Dr. Miss Ms. Hon.			
	(Name)	(Firm)	
	(City)	(State)	(Zip Code)
	(Daytime telephone including area code)		
Applicant's Signature:			Date:

Notification

In some circumstances, it may be necessary for DHR to confer with or notify local officials of proposed listings of properties within their jurisdiction. In the following space, please provide the contact information for the local County Administrator or City Manager.

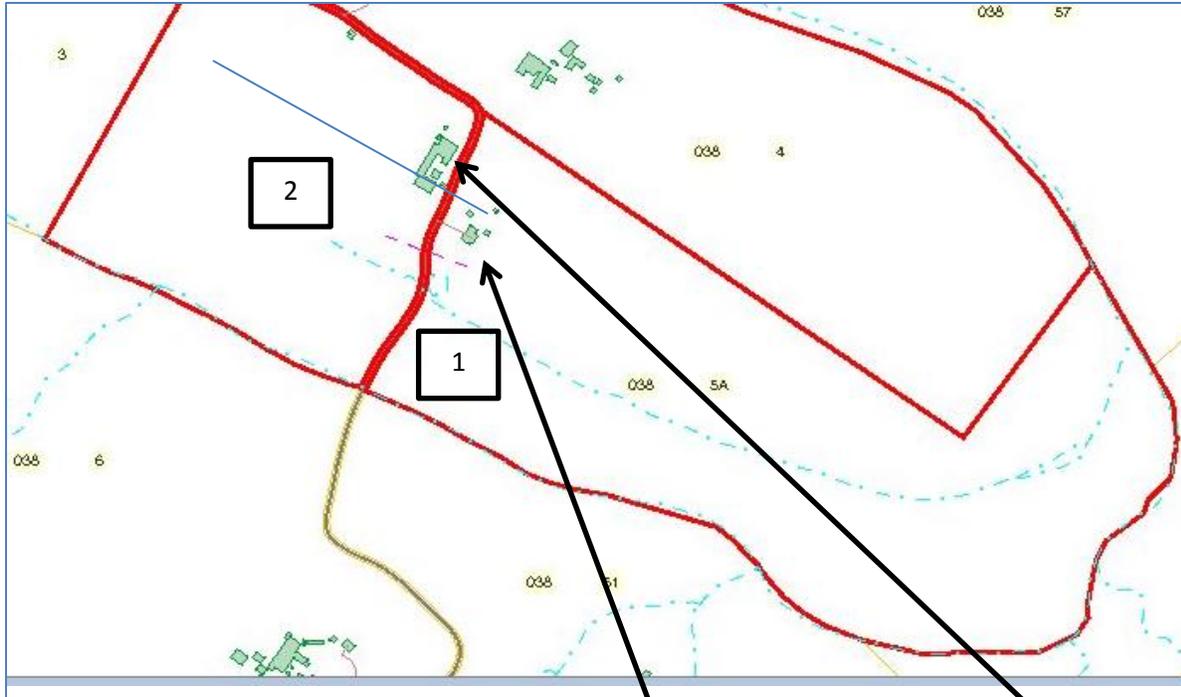
Mr. Mrs. Dr. Miss Ms. Hon.	Timothy K. Fitzgerald		County Administrator
	(Name)	(Position)	
Augusta County	P.O. Box 590		
(Locality)	(Address)		
Verona	VA	24482	540-245-5610
(City)	(State)	(Zip Code)	(Daytime telephone including area code)

Please use the following space to explain why you are seeking an evaluation of this property.

I am seeking an evaluation of this property because I believe it is historically significant and worthy of preservation.

Would you be interested in the State and/or the Federal Rehabilitation Tax Credits? Yes No

Would you be interested in the easement program? Yes No



Cline Finley House
Augusta County GIS
Two Parcels
Buffalo Run LC –
Tori Heatwole, Owner

Primary Dwelling, Garage and Smoke house.

Barns, Silos, Agricultural Support Buildings for the Cline Finley House.