

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: North Carolina	
COUNTY: Davie	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE

1. NAME

COMMON:
Davie County Jail

AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
20 South Main Street

CITY OR TOWN:
Mocksville (Fifth Congressional District, The Hon. Wilmer D. Mizell)

STATE: North Carolina CODE: 37 COUNTY: Davie CODE: 059

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	<input type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Comments _____

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
Mr. Hugh Larew

STREET AND NUMBER:
518 Salisbury Street

CITY OR TOWN: Mocksville STATE: North Carolina CODE: 37

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

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

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: Mocksville STATE: North Carolina CODE: 37

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:

DATE OF SURVEY: Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: STATE: CODE:

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Davio County Jail sits near the front of a rather deep, narrow lot about one block from the center of the small, quiet town of Mocksville. The building rests on a stone foundation which reaches a height of nearly four feet on the south side to compensate for the slope of the terrain.

The structure, of brick laid in Flemish bond, rises two stories to a gable roof covered with standing seam tin. A small molded wooden strip extends across the main facade beneath the box cornice, ending just before reaching the corners of the building. The three-bay main facade has a central entrance flanked by windows with six-over-nine sash on the first floor and three windows with six-over-six sash above. Above the central four-panel door is a twelve-light transom. The door is set in a deep reveal which has two long panels under a small square one and two equal-sized panels in the soffit above the transom. All windows and door openings have a row of rowlocks above and stone sills below.

Three stone steps with a simple iron handrail lead to the front door. The rear facade resembles the front except that the rear door, which is slightly off-center, lacks a transom. Because of sloping terrain to the rear, five steps are required to reach the door. Piercing the roof at each gable is an interior end chimney. Though there appear to have been openings in the sides of the building at one time, they have since been filled. Beneath the roof, which does not extend beyond the wall, is a molded cornice.

The interior follows a center-hall plan one room deep. Both rooms and the hall have walls plastered above and below a simple molded chair rail. A simple board forms the deep sill for each first-story window and a plain, molded architrave slopes to a deep, slightly splayed reveal. The rather heavy mantels in both rooms are similar, but not identical, having simple pilaster strips supporting a plain frieze with a heavy shelf. A new stair in the hall leads to a completely renovated second floor.

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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century | |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Phi- | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | losophy | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | _____ |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Social/Human- | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | itarian | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Davie County Jail is of considerable local significance, for its history parallels that of the county since its founding. The sturdy, well-maintained building with its handsome Flemish bond brickwork is an important Mocksville landmark.

Davie County was formed in 1836 from Rowan County with court being held in Mocksville, the county seat, the next year. The jail was probably completed in 1839, the same year Mocksville was incorporated. The November, 1839, court session held in Mocksville ordered

that Henry R. Austin procure locks of the best and most substantial construction for the Jail of Davie County and that he fix them to the doors, in the proper manner . . . and that Thomas McNeely and Lemuel Bingham act as Commissioners to let out the building of a kitchen and smoke house on the jail lot according to plans to be furnished by the court.

Henry R. Austin was the architect-builder of the Davie County Jail as well as the courthouse (now destroyed). Both buildings were built under a single contract at a cost of about \$40,000 which was raised by a bond issue.

The jail served the county in its original capacity until 1909 when the board of commissioners bought part of the Davie Hotel lot from Gaston E. Horn as a site for the new jail. The price paid was \$4,000, and Mr. Horn accepted the old jail and lot, allowing the county \$1,500 for the exchange. The property, which became a private residence, was owned by Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie S. Korfels during much of the twentieth century (1927-1968) and was purchased by Hugh S. Larew in 1969. He has restored the exterior and first floor and renovated the second floor as a residence.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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 Wall, Jame W. History of Davie County in the Forks of the Yadkin. Mocksville, North Carolina: Davie County Historical Publishing Association, 1969.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE			LATITUDE		LONGITUDE
	Degrees	Minutes		Seconds	Degrees	Minutes
NW	0	'	"	35 ^o	53'	35"
NE	0	'	"	80 ^o	33'	39"
SE	0	'	"			
SW	0	'	"			

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 1 acre

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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11. FORM PREPARED BY

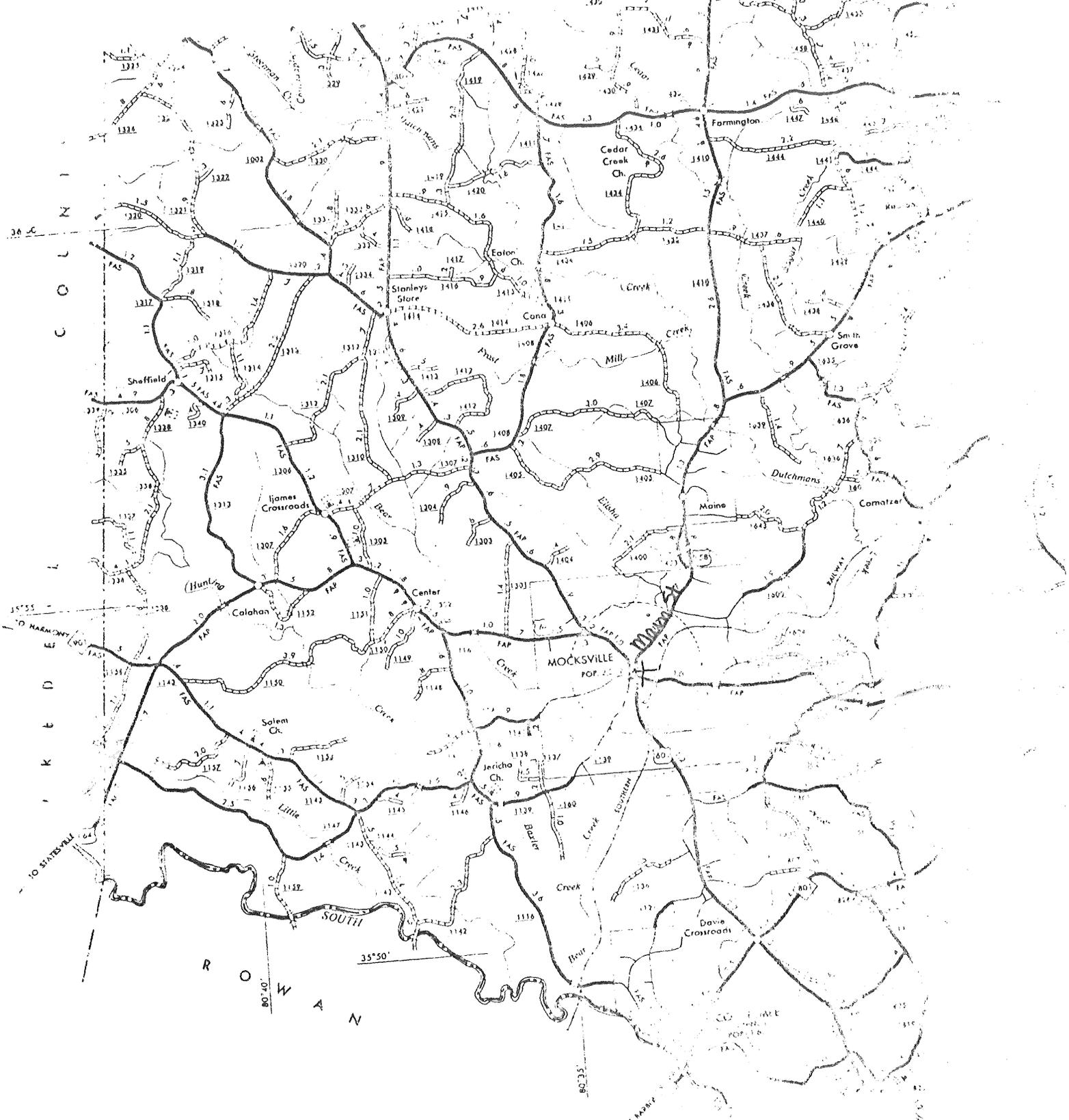
NAME AND TITLE:
Survey and Planning Unit
 ORGANIZATION: Office of Archives and History DATE: 2 February 1973
 STREET AND NUMBER:
109 East Jones Street
 CITY OR TOWN: Raleigh STATE: North Carolina CODE:

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:
 National State Local
 Name H. G. Jones
 Title State Historian/Administrator
 Date 2 February 1973

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.
Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation
 Date _____
 ATTEST:
Keeper of The National Register
 Date _____



Davie County Jail
 20 South Main Street
 Mocksville, North Carolina

N.C. State Highway Commission Map
 Scale: 1" = 1 mile
 Date: 1 Jan 1950

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