

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National 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 an 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.

1. Name of Property

historic name Mordecai Place Historic District (Boundary Increase)

other names/site number _____

2. Location

street & number 208 Delway St. N/A not for publication

city or town Raleigh N/A vicinity

state North Carolina code NC county Wake code 183 zip code 27604

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, I hereby certify that this 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 meets does not meet the National Register criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Jedeen Crow SHPO 11/8/00
Signature of certifying official/Title Date

State of 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 certifying official/Title Date

State or Federal agency and bureau _____

4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that the property is:

- 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

Date of Action

5. Classification

Ownership of Property
(Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property
(Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property
(Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
1		buildings
		sites
		structures
		objects
1		Total

Name of related multiple property listing
(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)

N/A

Number of contributing resources previously listed
in the National Register

182

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions
(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC: single dwelling

Current Functions
(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC: single dwelling

7. Description

Architectural Classification
(Enter categories from instructions)

Colonial Revival

Materials
(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation brick

walls brick

roof slate

other wood

Narrative Description

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

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.
- B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- 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.
- 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.
- C a birthplace or grave.
- D a cemetery.
- E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F a commemorative property.
- G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions)

Community Planning and Development

Architecture

Period of Significance

ca. 1925

Significant Dates

ca. 1925

Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Architect/Builder

Unknown

Narrative Statement of Significance

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

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
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
- 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:

Mordecai Place Historic District (Boundary Increase)
Name of Property

Wake County, North Carolina
County and State

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property less than 1

UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet.)

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Zone Easting Northing

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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

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organization N. C. State Historic Preservation Office date September 2000

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city or town Raleigh state N. C. zip code 27699-4618

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 SHPO or FPO.)

name Q. Cameron Karchner & John Williams

street & number 208 Delway St. telephone 919/828-1010

city or town Raleigh state N. C. zip code 27604

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Mordecai Place Historic District (Boundary Increase)
Wake County, North Carolina

NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

This increase in the boundary of the Mordecai Place Historic District adds the property described below to the southwest edge of the district. Visually and historically the house is part of the Mordecai Place neighborhood and was inadvertently omitted from the nomination for the district, which was listed in the National Register in 1998.

House. 208 Delway St. ca. 1925. The two-story brick-veneered house in the Colonial Revival style features a gable roof covered in slate, boxed cornices with returns, two interior end chimneys near the east gable, a two-story gabled projection on the east elevation, and a small frame, hip-roofed wing with a recessed porch (now glassed in) on the rear. The fenestration of double-hung sash windows (predominantly six-over-six) is irregular throughout. On the main façade it includes the main entrance in the east end bay and a triple window at the first story and four bays of single windows arranged in two symmetrically spaced pairs at the second story. At the main entrance, a gable-front porch supported by Tuscan columns shelters a six-panel door with sidelights. The tiled porch deck extends as a terrace across the entire main façade. Two banks of brick steps separated by a brick walk lead from the sidewalk across the terraced and landscaped front yard to the front porch.

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

As explained in the 1998 National Register nomination, the Mordecai Place Historic District is locally significant under Criterion A in the area of community planning and development as a largely intact example of the Raleigh suburbs that emerged in the early twentieth century as the capital city experienced significant growth. The district also is important under Criterion C in the area of architecture for its collection of period revival and craftsman style houses typical of the early twentieth-century, as well as a number of larger, more distinctive architect-designed houses along the principal thoroughfare of Old Wake Forest Road.

This amendment expands the district boundary to add one property, the house at 208 Delway St., just one lot off of Old Wake Forest Road, which was inadvertently omitted from the original district nomination. Like the rest of the district, this parcel is part of the portion of the Mordecai Plantation inherited by Martha (Patsy) Mordecai, who sold off most of that land for residential development between the mid-1910s and the mid-1920s. The Mordecai Place neighborhood was developed primarily from an 88.6-acre tract sold to real estate developers Dan and Frank Allen in 1922 for the Mordecai Place subdivision. The district listed in the National Register in 1998 comprises that large tract, as well as a few other, smaller parcels sold by Patsy Mordecai, including a parcel at the south end of the district sold to Claude Denson in 1916.

The house at 208 Delway St., immediately adjacent to the Denson parcel, exhibits the handsome period revival styling of the three large houses developed by Denson but its somewhat smaller scale is more in keeping with the dwellings developed by the Allens. Visually and historically, 208 Delway St. clearly is a contributing element of the Mordecai Place neighborhood. The significance of the house at 208 Delway St. is understood within the architecture and community planning and development contexts set forth in the nomination for the Mordecai Place Historic District nomination.

Historical Background

In its association with a businessman (and his heir) throughout the district's period of significance, the house at 208 Delway St. is typical of Mordecai Place. George Little, first vice-president of Southern Railway, purchased the property from Patsy Mordecai in 1924 and built the house immediately thereafter (Wake County Deed Book 438, page 504; Wake County Map Book 1915, page 33; *City of Raleigh Directory*). George Little died in 1929 and his wife Virginia continued to reside in the house until her death in 1970 (*City of Raleigh Directories* and undated letter from owner Cameron Karcher to Jennifer Martin in N. C. State Historic Preservation Office file). Since then, the house has changed hands four times: George C. and Marjorie B. McConnell owned and occupied the house from 1971 to 1986; Jerry Moyner owned and occupied the house from 1987 to 1992; Edwin T. Bowland purchased the property in 1992; and in 1996 the current owner-occupants, Q. Cameron Karchner and John A. Williams, bought the house.

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Karchner, Q. Cameron, and John A. Williams. Undated letter to Jennifer Martin in the files of the North Carolina State Historic Preservation Office, Raleigh, North Carolina.

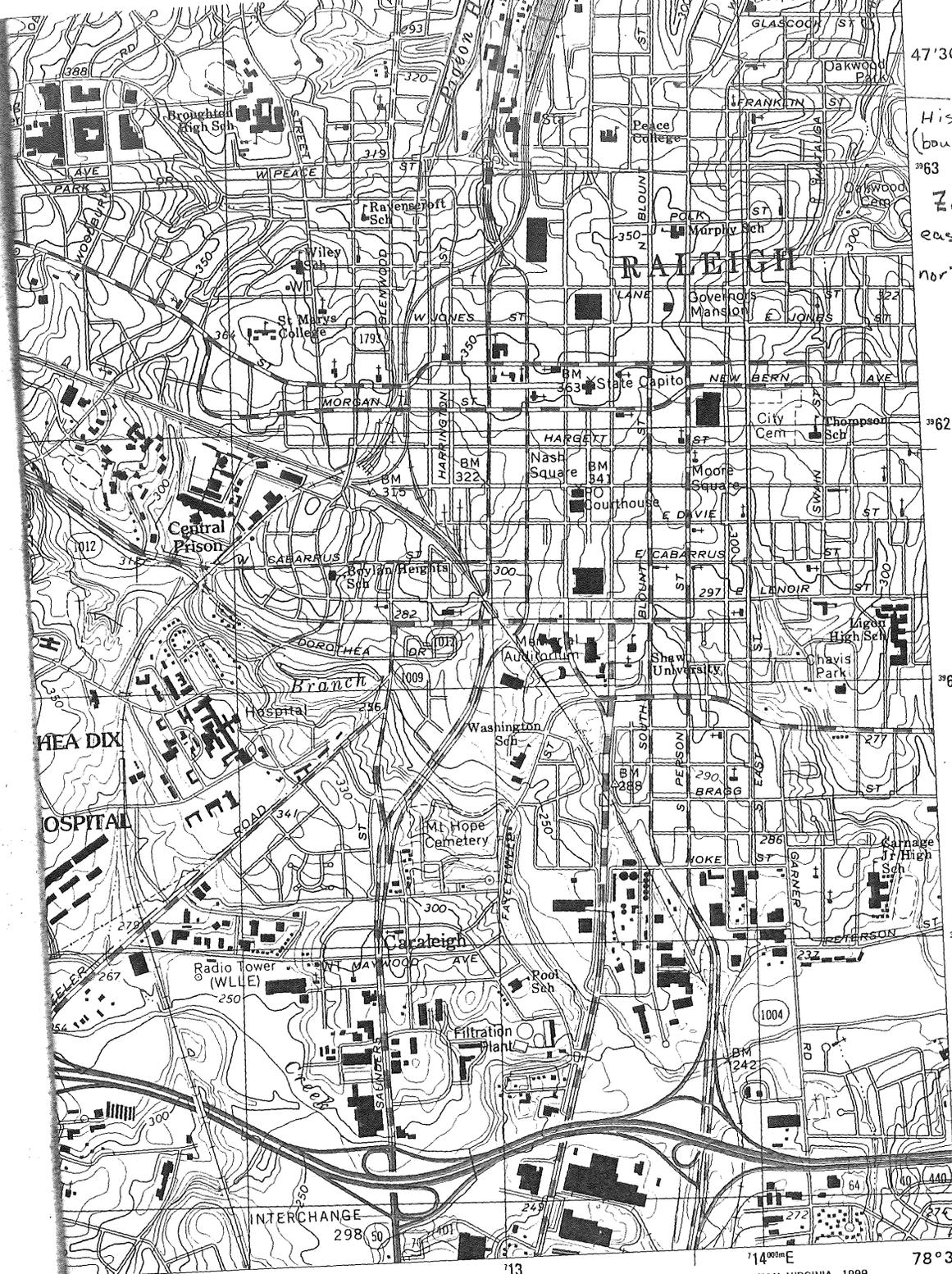
Wake County Deed and Map Books, Wake County Register of Deeds, Raleigh, North Carolina.

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

The nominated property is all of lot 10 and very small portions of lots 11 and 12 (otherwise known as Wake County Tax Parcel No. 1704.16-62-2957) as recorded in Wake County Book of Maps 1915, page 33.

VERBAL BOUNDARY JUSTIFICATION

The boundaries encompass all of the land both historically and currently associated with the house at 208 Delway St., a property that visually, architecturally, and historically is part of the Mordecai Place neighborhood.



47'30"
 Mordecai Place
 Historic District
 (boundary increase)
 #63 208 Delway Street
 Zone 17
 easting: 713700
 northing: 3963140

INTERIOR - GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, RESTON, VIRGINIA - 1999

ROAD CLASSIFICATION

- Primary highway hard surface
- Secondary highway hard surface
- Light-duty road, hard or improved surface
- Unimproved road

- Interstate Route
- U.S. Route
- State Route



QUADRANGLE LOCATION

1	2	3	1 Southeast Durham
			2 Bayleaf
			3 Wake Forest
4		5	4 Cary
			5 Raleigh East
			6 Apex
6	7	8	7 Lake Wheeler
			8 Garner

ADJOINING 7.5' QUADRANGLE NAMES

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