

ALABAMA REGISTER OF LANDMARKS AND HERITAGE

Nomination Form

Added to AR 2/4/2000

1. Name

historic Lamar Estate Family Home and Statesville School
and/or common

2. Location

street & number 135 Lamar Estate Road
city, town Selma ---vicinity of Mulberry
state AL county Autauga zip 36703 36701

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other: vacant

4. Owner of Property

name Louise Williams Dixon and Essie Eaglin Phone number 334-281-2264
street & number 3026-D South Mall Circle
city, town Montgomery ---vicinity of zip 36116

5. Floor plan & site plan. Use space below to sketch floor plan and site plan or attach additional sheet.

6. Description (See attached instructions for specific guidelines.)

Condition

excellent
 good
 fair

deteriorated
 ruins
 unexposed

Check one

unaltered
 altered

Check one

original site
 moved date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance.

The Lamar Estate Family Home and Statesville School Site comprise a resource located on approximately 74 acres of property located in southwest Autauga County, in the vicinity of the juncture of Alabama Highway 14 and the Alabama River. The land is located within Township 17 North, Range 12 East, including 37 acres in the southeast quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 3 and, adjacent to the south, 37 acres in the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 10. Contained on the property are the J. P. Lamar Family Home, a c. 1920 central passage residence, and the site of the Statesville School, a c. 1927 one-room side-gabled building. A metal storage building and modern brick home are also located on the property but are not considered as contributing elements. Characterized by its remote rural setting, the complex contains both densely wooded and agricultural pasture land. A road, the Lamar Estate Road runs roughly along the eastern boundary of the northern parcel, thence bisecting the southern parcel, extending approximately one mile to the south of Alabama Highway 14.

Located in the southeast area of the southern parcel, the family home is a one-story wood frame, side-gabled residence with a center front gable. Resting on a foundation of brick piers and concrete blocks, the house faces a generally northwest direction. A brick chimney extends off-center above the ridge. The exterior is covered with cement fiber lap siding, probably an early alteration, and the roof is covered with tin, added after an earlier roof was destroyed by a storm around 1980. A hipped roof, wood-floored porch extends across the facade, supported by four square posts resting on brick piers. Concrete steps flanked by brick piers lead to the entry. Replacement windows are small 6/6 and 1/1 metal sashes, shorter than original window openings. Entrance is through a recent 12-lite and paneled door of undetermined material. A rear addition dates from around 1960 and contains a modern bath. The interior features five original rooms, possibly in an ell configuration, flanking either side of a center passage. Interior materials are largely modern, featuring plywood flooring and sheetrock walls.

The Statesville School is currently a dilapidated ruin, having once been a gable-front wood frame structure, with horizontal wood siding and two entrance doors.

7. Significance (See attached instructions for specific guidelines.)

Period	Areas of Significance-Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other ethnic heritage (African American)

Specific dates 1919, 1917 **Builder/Architect**

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph).**SUMMARY:**

The Lamar Estate Family Home and Statesville School Site comprise the remaining structures in the John Pearlie Lamar family estate. J.P Lamar (1886-1958), a second generation African American to own land in the vicinity of the nominated property, acquired the 74 acres in 1919 (two deeds-Julia Love to John Pearlie Lamar). Here he raised twelve children, eight boys and four girls. Descendants recall that the family raised a variety of crops, including watermelon, peanuts, corn, okra, sweet potatoes, and hay. In 1927, according to a deed, one acre of property was given by the family for the Statesville School. It operated as a one-room African American school from this time until 1945, when it was consolidated into a larger Autauga County school. Here Lamar children and other African Americans of the Statesville community were given the opportunity of an education. Several of the Lamar boys had careers in the military, serving in World War II and the Korean War. Family members continue to maintain the property, with the current owner (the granddaughter of John Pearlie Lamar) interested in establishing an African American Cultural Center on the property.

The Lamar family history has been traced to Anderson Henry Lamar who, in 1881, acquired some 400 acres in Sections 15 and 22 of Township 17 North, Range 12 East, from Obidiah C. G. Lamar for a sum of \$1500 (\$700 cash and two notes of \$400 each). O.C.G. Lamar has been traced through the 1870 federal census as a white farmer with a worth of \$6240 in real estate and \$3065 in personal property.

In 1900, the census lists Anderson Henry Lamar as the head of household, age 53, with two sons and two daughters. His second son is John Peralie was born in 1888. In 1900, he deeded the 400 acres in Sections 15 and 22 to his children. According to deed research, J. P. acquired the nominated acreage in 1919, and, in 1927, donated one acre of property for the construction of the Statesville School. Descendants recall that other family holdings might have amounted to some 1500-2500 acres, but research has not been completed to substantiate this. Tax maps do show several Lamar holdings in this vicinity, so this is very likely true.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

The Lamar Estate Family Home and Statesville School Site are eligible for listing on the Alabama Register under Criterion A, in the area of African American ethnic heritage. Representing a portion of a substantial landholding of the Anderson Henry Lamar and John Pearlie Lamar families, the resource depicts a rare example of the African American family to acquire and maintain property during the late-nineteenth and early-20th centuries. Currently owned by the fourth generation of Lamars to own property in the area, the resource possesses the potential to depict the ability of an African American family to develop economic independence in a rural economy over a span of a century. The family was also significant to the community for their role in donating the property for the Statesville School, a community educational facility for African American children. The owner seeks recognition of the property in an effort to establish an African American Cultural Center in the former home. There is a high interest in interpreting the school site in regard to its local significance in raising the standards of the African American community during its existence from 1927 to 1945..

8. Major Bibliographical References

Eaglin, Essie. Draft nomination, deed and census research.

9. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____ 74 _____

Quadrangle name _____

Enclose map showing location of property. (city or county map, state highway department map, or USGS map)

10. Form Prepared By

name/title _____ Sally Moore _____

organization _____ AHC _____

date _____ 2/4/00 _____

street & number _____

telephone _____

city or town _____

state _____

zip _____

11. Please submit color slides of the property with this form.

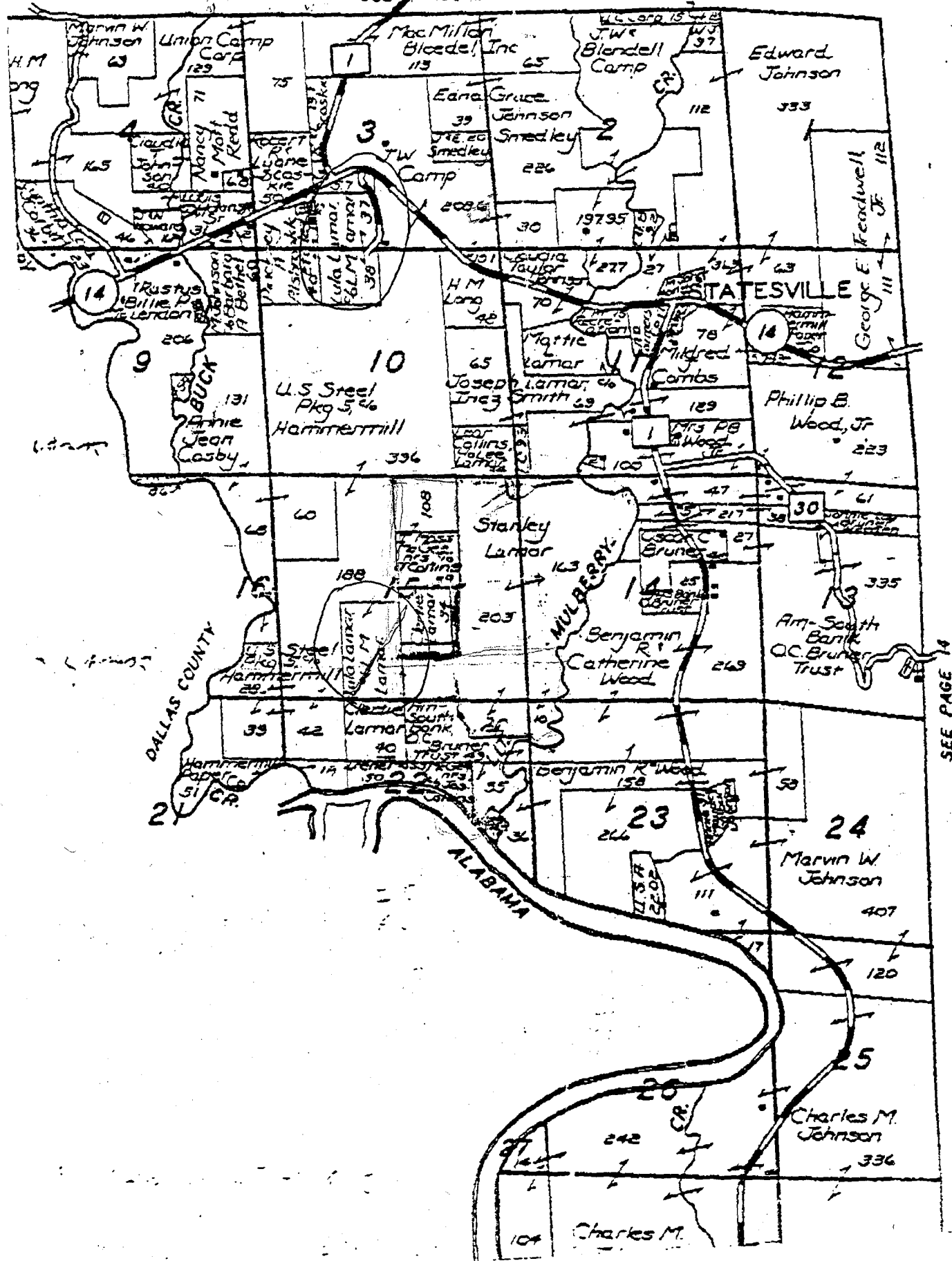
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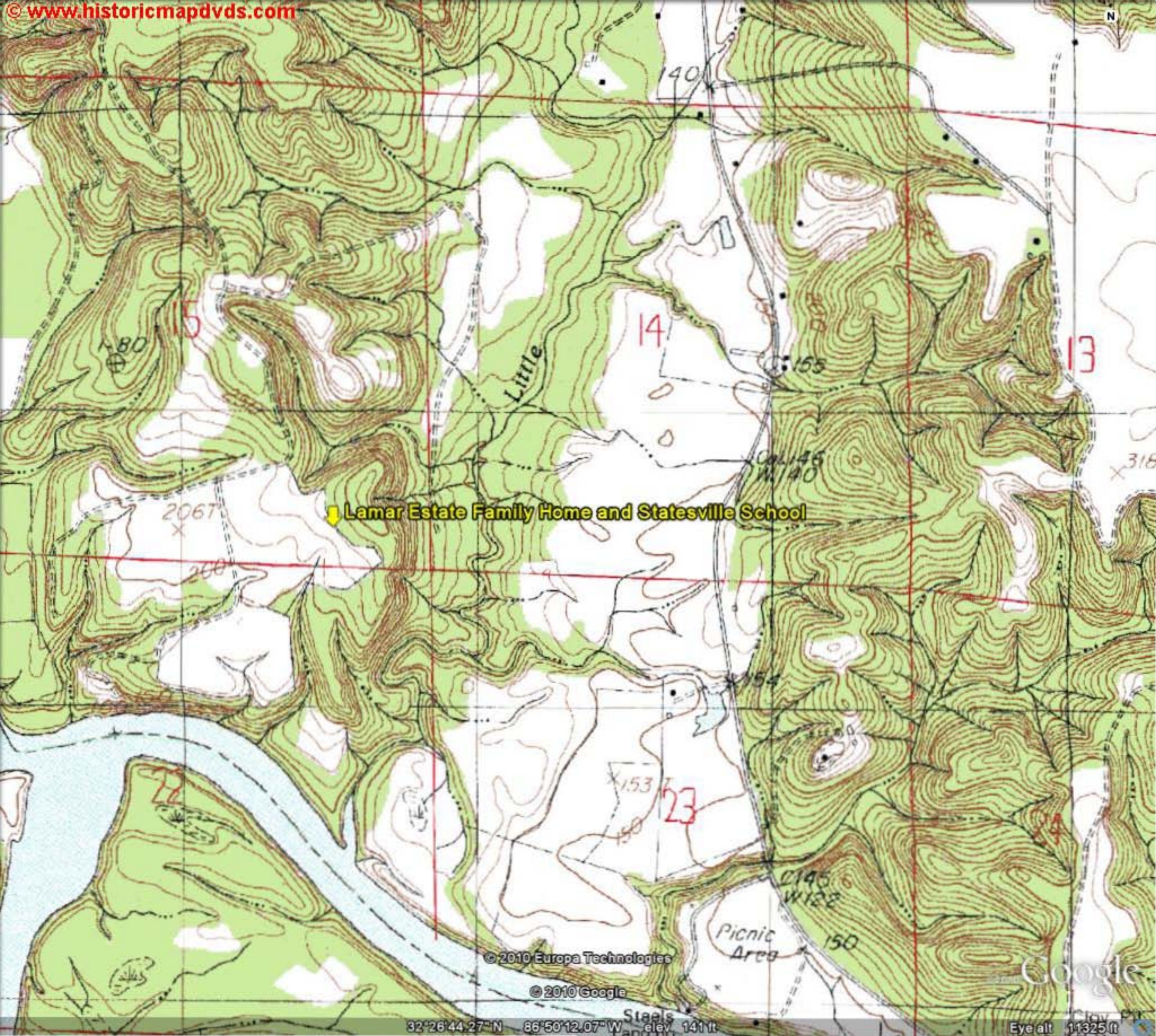
12. Please return ALABAMA REGISTER form and documentation to:

**Alabama Register Coordinator
Alabama Historical Commission
468 South Perry Street
Montgomery, Alabama 36130-0900**

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Lamar Estate Family Home and Statesville School

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32°26'44.27" N 86°50'12.07" W

Stalls
elev. 141 ft

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Eye alt 11325 ft

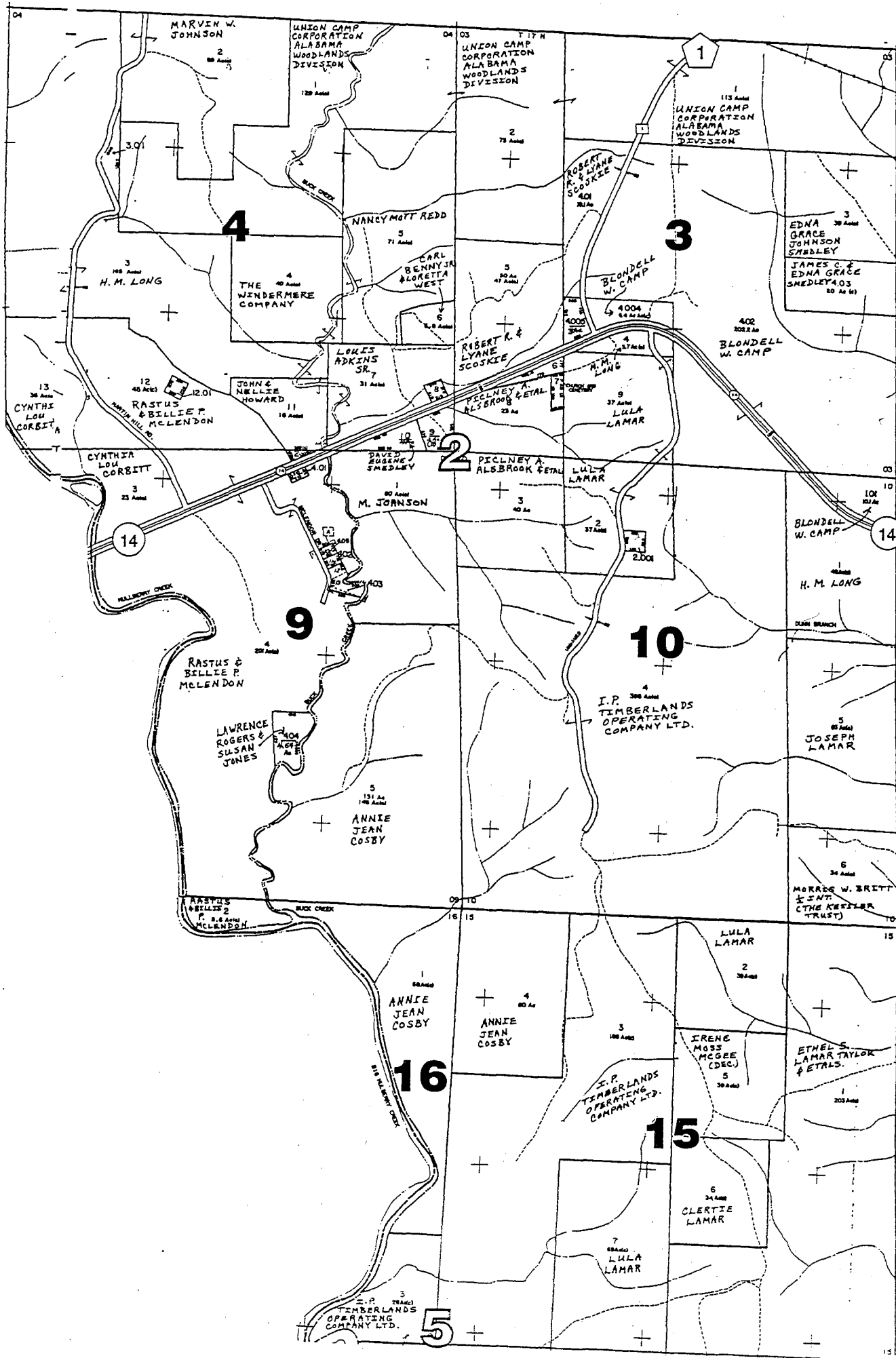
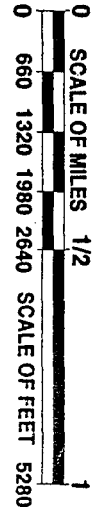
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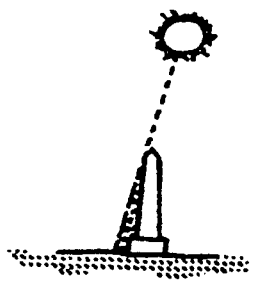
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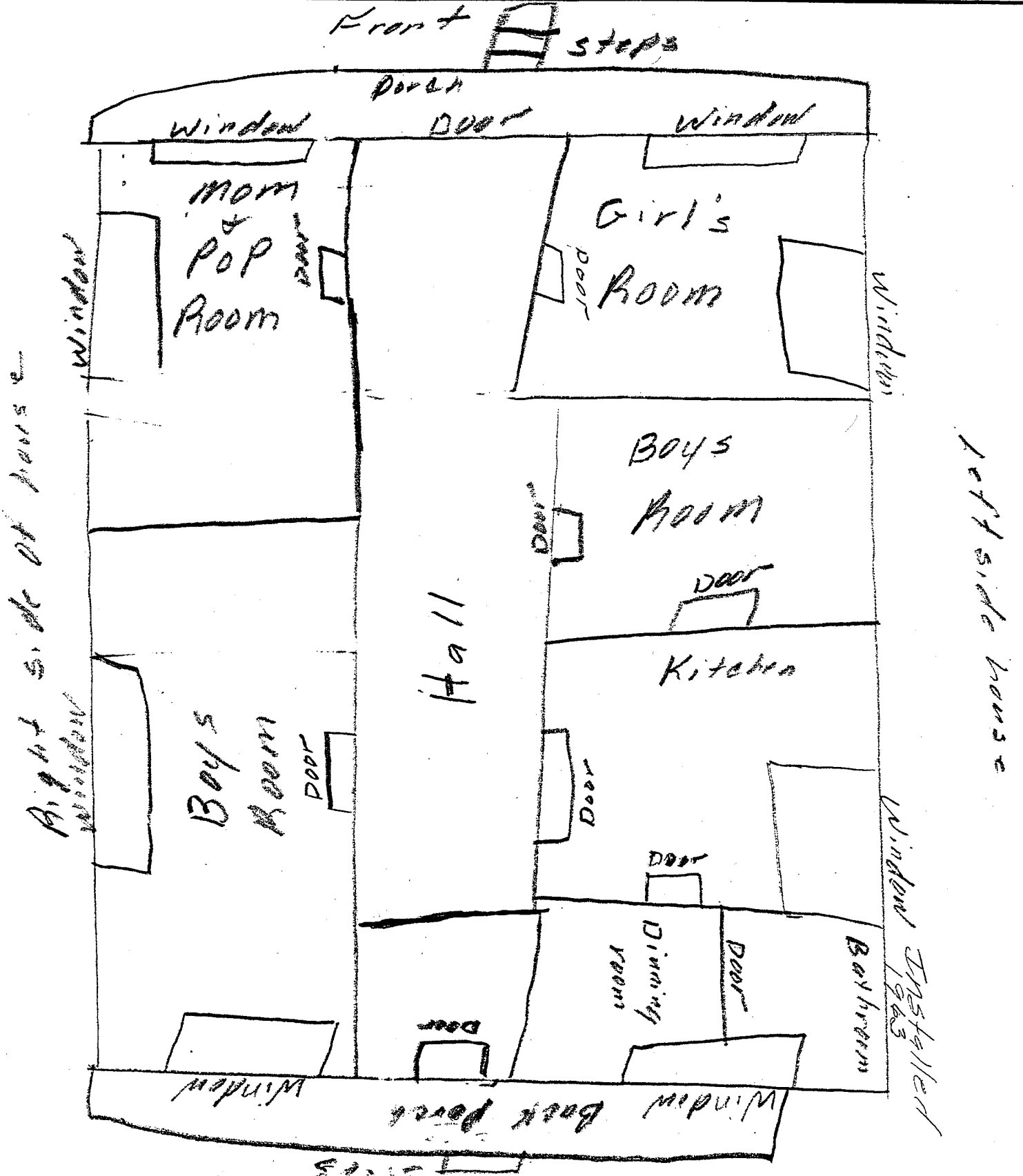
HO A-01
between
Lamar





The African-American Cultural Center

Promoting cultural awareness, enhancing and uplifting the African-American Spirit



ALABAMA REGISTER OF LANDMARKS AND HERITAGE

Nomination Form

NOV 8 1999

251. Historical Commission

1. Name. Lamar Estate, Family Home
 historic four bedroom house with one bathroom
 and/or common _____

2. Location Two miles East of Stateville store, Turn left Lamar Ad left Hwy
 street & number 135 Lamar Estate Rd
 city, town Autauga County ---vicinity of Murrybark Creek bridge Hwy 14
 state Alabama county Autauga County zip 36703

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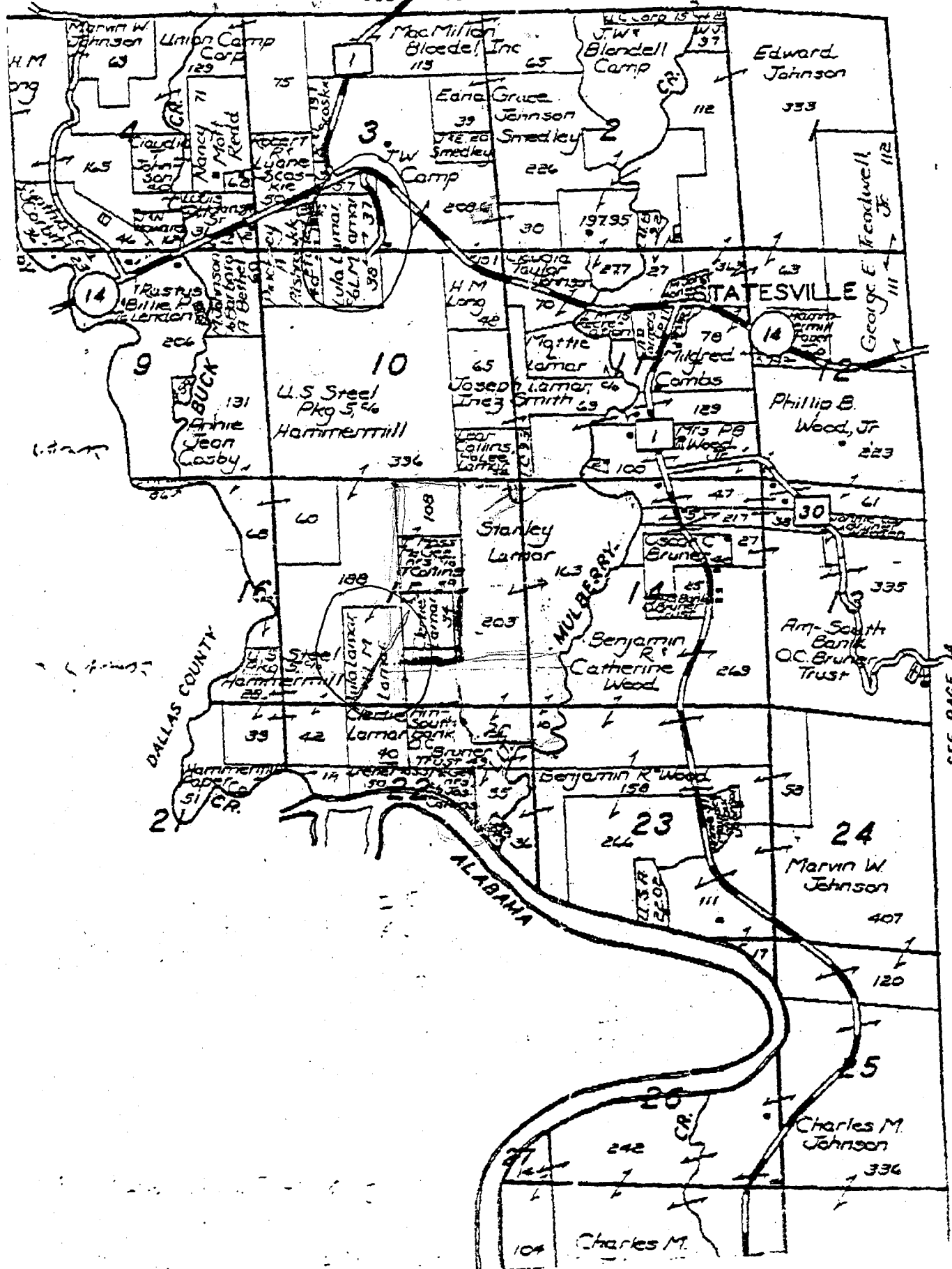
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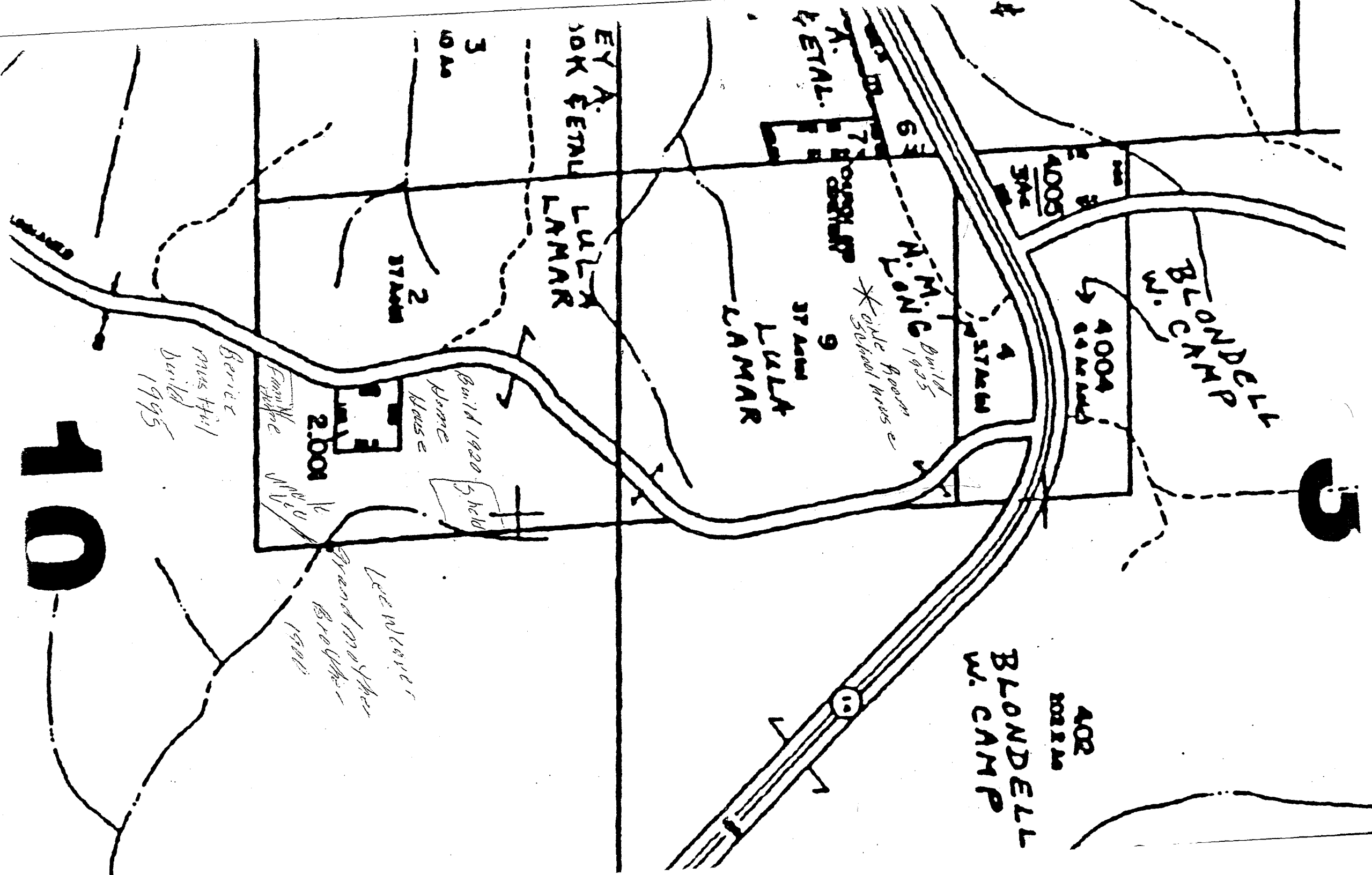
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BLONDELL
W. CAMP

4004
37 AM

4005
37 AM

BLONDELL
W. CAMP

402
30 AM

N.M.C. Bldg
Built 1935
*able Room &
30 bed room

9
37 AM
LULLA
LAMAR

3
10 AM
LULLA
LAMAR

2
37 AM

2.004

Beritz
pms Htl
built
1995

Frank
Mc
H
H
H

M
V
H

Build 1920
Home
House

Lee Marie
Grandmother
Brother
1900

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ALABAMA REGISTER OF LANDMARKS AND HERITAGE

Nomination Form

NOV 8 1999

1. Name Stateville School
historic One Room School House
and/or common _____
Alabama Historical Commission

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street & number Lamar Estate Road
city, town Autauga County ---vicinity of Murryville Creek Bridge Hwy 14
state Alabama county Autauga County zip 36703

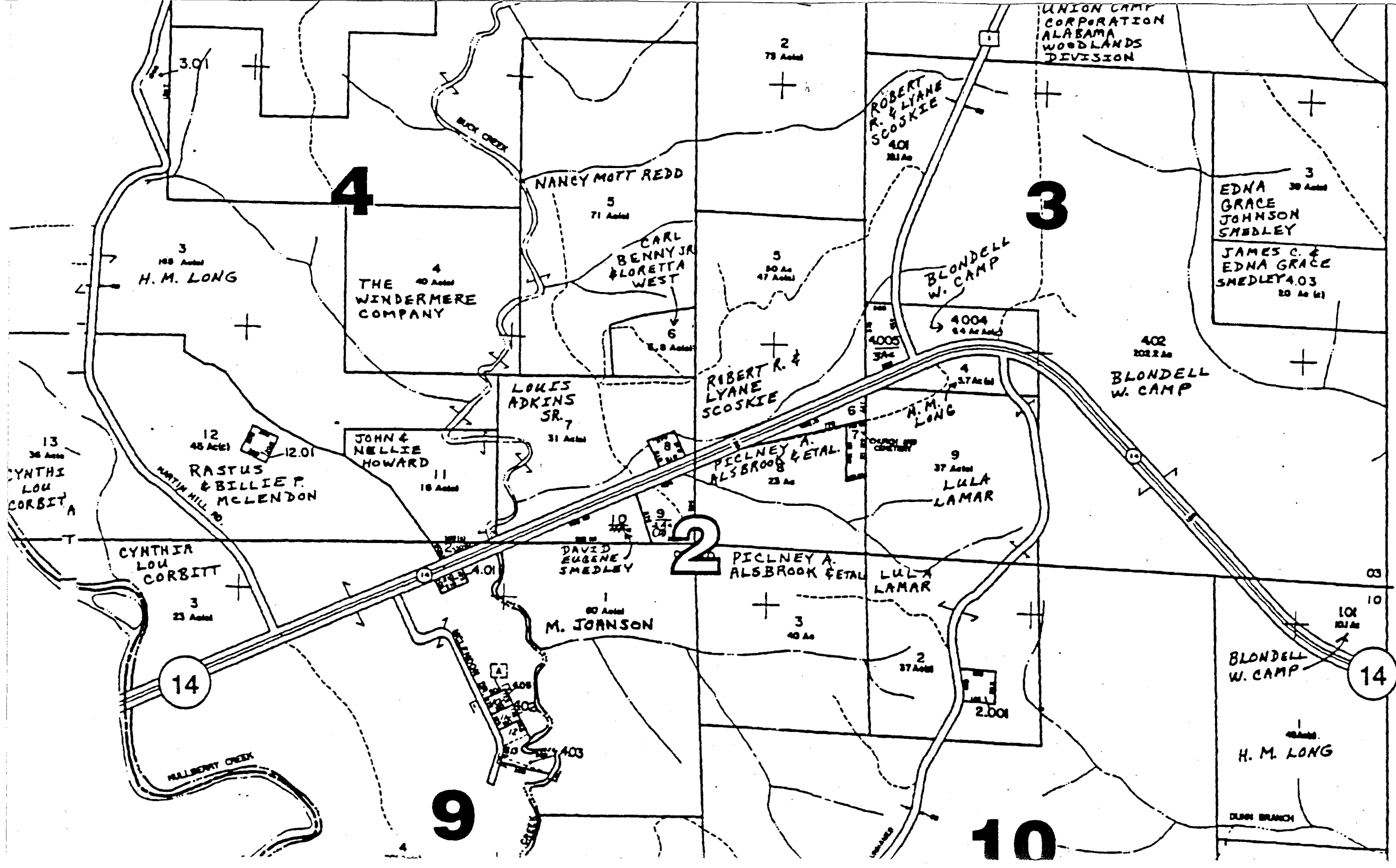
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UNION CAMP CORPORATION
ALABAMA
WOODLANDS
DIVISION

3.01

2
78 Acres

4

NANCY MOTT REDD

5
71 Acres

3

3
30 Acres

EDNA GRACE JOHNSON SMEDLEY

JAMES C. & EDNA GRACE SMEDLEY

4.03
20 Ac (a)

3
148 Acres
H. M. LONG

4
40 Acres
THE WINDERMERE COMPANY

CARL BENNY JR & FLORETTA WEST

5
50 Ac
47 Acres

BLONDELL W. CAMP

4004
60 Acres

402
2022 Ac
BLONDELL W. CAMP

LOUISE ADKINS SR.

ROBERT R. & LYANE SCOSKIE

4005
34 Ac

H. M. LONG

13
36 Acres

12
45 Acres

RASTUS & BILLIE P. MCLENDON

JOHN & NELLIE HOWARD

11
18 Acres

31 Acres

PICLNEY A. ALSBROOK & ETAL.

9
37 Acres
LULA LAMAR

CYNTHIA LOU CORBITT

2

PICLNEY A. ALSBROOK & ETAL.

LULA LAMAR

03

CYNTHIA LOU CORBITT

3
23 Acres

DAVID EUGENE SMEDLEY

1
80 Acres
M. JOHNSON

3
40 Ac

2
37 Acres

BLONDELL W. CAMP

10
104
101 Ac

14

14

HALLBERRY CREEK

9

10

H. M. LONG

DUNN BRANCH







