



STATE OF ALABAMA

ALABAMA HISTORICAL COMMISSION
725 MONROE STREET
MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA 36130
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ALABAMA REGISTER OF LANDMARKS AND HERITAGE
Nomination Form

COUNTY Bibb

NAME: Present Ellison House Historic Vance House

LOCATION: Street and Number 365 Birmingham Road

Town (Give directions if rural) Centreville, AL 35042

\*A MAP WITH THE LANDMARK MARKED MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH THIS FORM\*

CATEGORY: Building (x) Structure ( ) Object ( ) Site ( ) District ( )

USE: Present private residence Historic private residence

OWNERSHIP: Public ( ) Private (x)

Owner's Name Misses Rhoda and Connie Ellison

Mailing Address Route 1 Box 235

Centreville, AL 35042

INTEGRITY: Original Site (x) Moved ( ) When?

From where? (Give details in significance.)

CONDITIONS: Excellent (x) Good ( ) Fair ( ) Ruins ( )

THREATS: No (x) Yes ( ) By What?

RESTORATION WORK: Being considered ( ) Underway ( ) Completed ( ) Not planned (x)

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Open land ( ) Woodland ( ) Scattered buildings ( )
High building density ( ) Commercial ( ) Industrial ( )
Residential (x) Rural ( )

Acreage

For all categories other than a district and object give a site plan with a North arrow. Show related buildings.

For a district give a verbal boundary description and attach a sketch map of the district.



DESCRIPTION (Continued)

Roof Type: (Gable, Gambrel, Mansard, Flat, Hipped, Combination) Hipped with protruding gables.

Roof Covering: (Wood shingle, Asphalt, Tile, Metal, Slate) Gray asbestos shingles over original cypress shingles.

Roof Trim: (Cornices, bargeboard, brackets, etc.) Boxed cornice, gables have small balconies with turned balusters and ornate trim.

Porches: Front (type and description) Center gable supported by plain columns, pilasters on brick base, runs full length of facade.

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Rear (type and description) Screened porch with turned balustrades.

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Side (type and description) \_\_\_\_\_

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Doors: Main entrance (location, description) Center of facade, sidelights and transom, some stained glass, applied moldings and decorative trim.  
Other entrances (location, description)

Windows: Types and number of each floor of facade 1st floor-four, sash, 2/2; 2nd floor-six, sash, 2/2 with brick arch.

Types and number per floor for sides and rear

south side-1st floor-6, sash, 2/2 - 2nd floor-4, sash, 2/2.

north side-1st floor-4, sash, 2/2 - 2nd floor-4, sash, 2/2.

Interior: Describe mantels, stairways, wainscoting, plasterwork and any unusual features.

Original hardware with designed plates, porcelain and metal knobs; eight mantels, 4 up and 4 down - mantel in parlor has oval mirror, Doric colonettes - mantel in living room has rectangular mirror and Ionic colonettes; windows and doors have fluted trim with corner blocks; some wainscoting and other fine woodwork; quarter turn stairway with turned balusters and newel post; all walls are plaster; original pine floors upstairs; upstairs rooms have original narrow board ceilings; downstairs ceilings are sheetrock.

Other: Use this space to describe any additions, alterations, outbuildings or other features of the structure and its surroundings.

Original front porch replaced in 1910. Second story door replaced by two windows. Two frame bathrooms added to the rear of the house in or around 1914.

On an additional sheet make a sketch of the floor plan of the building, showing dimensions if possible.

THIS IS NOT REQUIRED!

DESCRIPTION (Continued)

- STRUCTURE: On a separate sheet of paper give a complete as possible verbal description of the structure. (See examples)
- OBJECT: On a separate sheet of paper give a complete as possible verbal description of the object. (See examples)
- SITE: On a separate sheet of paper give the present description of the site and how the site is believed to have looked during its period of importance.
- DISTRICT: On a separate sheet of paper give a general description of the district. Also needed is a numbered list of the structures in the district corresponding to the sketch map. This listing should include a name for the structure, a date of construction, a brief description, a statement of why the structure is significant, if it is.

\*A MAP WITH THE LANDMARK MARKED AND PHOTOGRAPHS MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH THIS FORM\*

Map: A U.S. Geological Survey Map is preferred, but if you are unable to obtain one a county highway map may be used.

Photographs: Black and white, glossy finish, 5 x 7, or 8 x 10, is preferred.

FORM PREPARED BY

Name Rhoda C. Ellison Date 10/29/78  
Address Route 1 Box 235 Telephone 926-4717  
Town Centreville  
Organization \_\_\_\_\_

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STAFF COMMENTS:

MAP REFERENCE: MAP Bibb County Highway Map

U. T. M. Reference No UTM available  
Zone Easting Nothing

Thematic Category \_\_\_\_\_

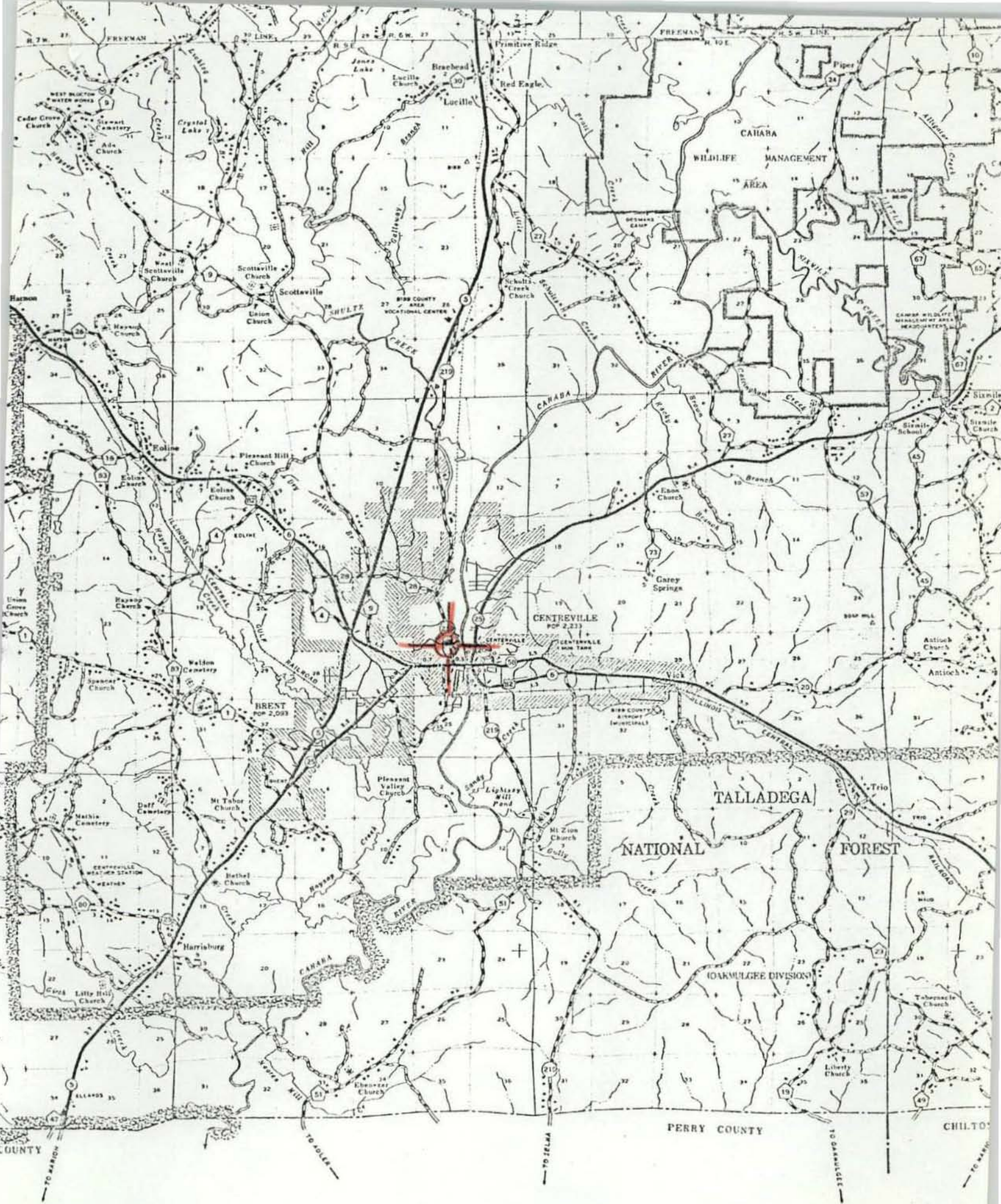
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NATIONAL REGISTER Potential

# ALABAMA HISTORIC INVENTORY

Alabama Historical Commission  
725 Monroe Street  
Montgomery, Alabama 36130

<p>1. No.</p> <p>2. County Bibb</p> <p>3. Location of Negatives</p>	<p>4. Present Name(s) Ellison House</p> <p>5. Other Name(s) Vance House</p>	1. No.						
<p>6. Specific Location 365 Birmingham Road</p> <p>7. City or Town If Rural, Township &amp; Vicinity Centerville</p> <p>8. Site Plan with North Arrow</p>	<p>16. Thematic Category Art-Architecture</p> <p>17. Date(s) or Period 1899</p> <p>18. Style or Design</p> <p>19. Architect or Engineer</p> <p>20. Contractor or Builder</p> <p>21. Original Use, if apparent Residence</p> <p>22. Present Use Residence</p> <p>23. Ownership Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>24. Owner's Name &amp; Address, if known Misses Rhoda &amp; Connie Ellison Rt. 1, Box 235 Centerville, AL. 35042</p> <p>25. Local Contact</p> <p>26. Location of Additional Data</p>	2. County Bibb						
<p>9. Coordinates</p> <p>Lat. _____ Long. _____</p> <p>U.T.M. Reference</p> <table style="width:100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="border: 1px solid black; width: 33px; height: 20px;"></td> <td style="border: 1px solid black; width: 33px; height: 20px;"></td> <td style="border: 1px solid black; width: 33px; height: 20px;"></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center; font-size: 8px;">Zone</td> <td style="text-align: center; font-size: 8px;">Easting</td> <td style="text-align: center; font-size: 8px;">Northing</td> </tr> </table> <p>10. Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Object <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>11. On National Register? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>12. On Ala. Register? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>13. Part of Estab. Hist. Dist.? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>14. District Potent'l? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>15. Name of Established District</p>				Zone	Easting	Northing	<p>27. No. of Stories 2</p> <p>28. Basement? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>29. Foundation Material Brick</p> <p>30. Wall Construction Brick</p> <p>31. Roof Type &amp; Material Hip w/ protruding gables</p> <p>32. No. of Bays Front 5 Side 4</p> <p>33. Wall Treatment</p> <p>34. Plan Shape Irregular</p> <p>35. Changes Addition <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Explain in No. 41) Altered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Moved <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>36. Condition Interior Good Exterior Good</p> <p>37. Preservation Underway? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>38. Endangered? By What? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>39. Visible from Public Road? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>40. Acreage, Lot Size</p>	4. Present Name(s) Ellison House
Zone	Easting	Northing						
<p>41. Further Description of Important Features Structure has almost-full-length front porch w/ hip roof and central gable supported by groups of 3 slender columns resting on brick supports. Roof has projecting gables w/ gingerbread trim and balconette w/ balustrades. Two frame bathrooms added to rear c. 1914, and original front porch replaced c. 1910. A 2nd story door was replaced by 2 windows.</p>	Photo	5. Other Name(s) Vance House						
<p>42. History and Significance House was built by Robert Vance, sheriff of Bibb County. It has a Victorian influence and is believed to be the first brick house in the county. The Ellisons bought the house in 1903, and it is now occupied by 2 of the Ellison daughters.</p>								
<p>43. Description of Environment and Outbuildings Rural setting with a small log outbuilding.</p>								
<p>44. Sources of Information AR nomination form</p>	<p>45. Prepared By</p> <p>48. Staff Member D. Baldwin</p>	<p>46. Phone</p> <p>47. Date 11-27-78</p> <p>49. Revision Date(s)</p>	6. Card Typed					



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