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ALABAMA REGISTER OF LANDMARKS AND HERITAGE
Nomination Form

COUNTY Blount

NAME: Present Copeland-Ellis Home Historic Judge John Copeland Home

LOCATION: Street and Number 204 4th Ave. West

Town (Give directions if rural) Oneonta, Alabama, 35121

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

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

USE: Present Residential Historic Residential

OWNERSHIP: Public () Private (X)

Owner's Name Mr. and Mrs. John E. Ellis

Mailing Address P.O. Box 7

Oneonta, Alabama, 35121

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

From where? (Give details in significance.)

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

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

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

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

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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.

SIGNIFICANCE:

Why is this landmark significant? (X) associated with events, persons, or movements
Local (X) State (X) National (X)
(X) a good example of a type or style of structure
() other

Explain: (Briefly state why the above is true)

It represents the housing of the original style when Oneonta began around 1886. Remodeling inside is also unique. This particular house is known throughout the county By residents -- many of whom took speech instruction at the house from Mrs. Copeland The judge was a well known public official.

Date of Construction or Period of major importance.

around 1914

Architect or Builder (Give name and biographies, if known)

Give a complete but concise history of the Landmark. Include information on important people and events associated with the landmark. (USE ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY)

Judge John Copeland 1919-1947, he was probate judge

Mrs. John Copeland 1919-1968, well known speech teacher and money lender

Subsequent Owners - John E. Ellis - to present time (real estate broker) residecn

State sources of information, giving full bibliographical data:

Neighbors and town officials also from deed records

DESCRIPTION: PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE LANDMARK MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH THIS FORM.

Complete as directed below for each category.

BUILDING:

Number of stories one Foundation piers Basement none

Wall Material: (Note changes from one floor or wing to another)
(clapboard, brick, stone, wood shingle, board and batton, stucco over wood or brick, metal, logs)

Exterior wall material and design - wood lap side painted brick red (original color)

Structural System: (If known)

Wood frame () Load-bearing masonry () Iron or Steel ()

tongue and groove

DESCRIPTION (Continued)

Roof Type: (Gable, Gambrel, Mansard, Flat, Hipped, Combination)
hip and lean-to
Roof Covering: (Wood shingle, Asphalt, Tile, Metal, Slate)
asphalt shingles
Roof Trim: (Cornices, bargeboard, brackets, etc.)
crown molding at roofline

Porches: Front (type and description) covered and supported by 7 - 8" square

2/3 columns resting on brick piers. "L" shaped front and side

Rear (type and description) _____

Side (type and description) _____

Doors: Main entrance (location, description) slatted top half glass,, center of long porch, facing side lot on street never opened
Other entrances (location, description)

Original main entrance still faces street, opening on porch. Bedroom also has door opening on porch. Two back doors and one additional (sealed over) facing side lot.

Windows: Types and number of each floor of facade

Types and number per floor for sides and rear

2 original single pane 28" wide x 63", 1 original single pane 42" x 63"
2 - 42" 4 - 30" all single pane
3 - 28"

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

Mantels - two - living room and bedroom both connected back-to-back of yellow brick nad red mortar. A third one was removed or covered

Interior window and door trim - plain 1" x 6" lumber

all walls tongue and groove covered with beaverboard and trimmed with stained strips covering cracks between beaverboard (unusual)

Flooring - varnished pine 2 1/2" strips

Notable Hardware - pace mounted door locks

parts of house were wallpapered at one time, but all covered now.

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

General setting and orientation - facing east - north-east on 150' x 200' lot covered with hickory trees, two huge pines, 2 pecans, and many cedars. Foot of Shuff's Mt.

Outbuildings - 1 storage building, 1 garage and room, and 1 renter house (torn after or around 1974)

Original was 5 rooms. Bath and den area and back porch enclosed to add 3 rooms. Date of change was about 1933 (completely remodeled)

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.

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STAFF COMMENTS:

MAP REFERENCE: MAP Oneonta Quadrangle

U. T. M. Reference 16 54 10 20 3756300
Zone Easting Northing

Thematic Category _____

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