

ALABAMA REGISTER OF LANDMARKS & HERITAGE NOMINATION FORM

Alabama Historical Commission
725 Monroe Street
Montgomery, Alabama 36130

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Cobb-Waite Home

AND/OR COMMON

Waite Home

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

U. S. Hwy. 84

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Grove Hill

VICINITY OF (2 mi. W. of Grove Hill)

STATE

CODE

COUNTY

CODE

Alabama

Clarke

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

DISTRICT

BUILDING(S)

STRUCTURE

SITE

OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

PUBLIC

PRIVATE

BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

IN PROCESS

BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

OCCUPIED

UNOCCUPIED

WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

YES: RESTRICTED

YES: UNRESTRICTED

NO

PRESENT USE

AGRICULTURE

COMMERCIAL

EDUCATIONAL

ENTERTAINMENT

GOVERNMENT

INDUSTRIAL

MILITARY

MUSEUM

PARK

PRIVATE RESIDENCE

RELIGIOUS

SCIENTIFIC

TRANSPORTATION

OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Mrs. Mary Waite Tucker

STREET & NUMBER

P. O. Box 624

CITY, TOWN

Grove Hill

STATE

Alabama

VICINITY OF

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC

Clarke County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Grove Hill

STATE

Alabama

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Cobb-Waite Home in Clarke County is a two-story frame structure built in the late 1860's, and is an example of the Plantation Plain style of architecture.

The five-bay facade has second story windows that are 9/6 double-hung sash, while the first story windows are 9/9 double-hung sash. The main entrance is a double-leaf door with sidelights and transom. The structure has a full-length front porch with shed roof supported by six large square columns. Turned balusters run between each of the columns.

The structure's rear has windows of the same type as the facade, and a single-leaf entrance accessible by a flight of wooden steps. The house has one surviving end-exterior chimney.

Structural alterations to the house are few. One chimney and 2 fireplaces were removed, and some modernization was done over the last few years. One room was added to the rear of the structure at an unspecified date, using space that was originally an open porch. The original floor plan of the house was not changed by these alterations.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD

PREHISTORIC
 1400-1499
 1500-1599
 1600-1699
 1700-1799
 1800-1899
 1900-

ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC
 ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC
 AGRICULTURE
 ARCHITECTURE
 ART
 COMMERCE
 COMMUNICATIONS

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

COMMUNITY PLANNING
 CONSERVATION
 ECONOMICS
 EDUCATION
 ENGINEERING
 EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT
 INDUSTRY
 INVENTION

LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE
 LAW
 LITERATURE
 MILITARY
 MUSIC
 PHILOSOPHY
 POLITICS/GOVERNMENT

RELIGION
 SCIENCE
 SCULPTURE
 SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
 THEATER
 TRANSPORTATION
 OTHER (SPECIFY)

SPECIFIC DATES Late 1860's

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Cobb-Waite Home in Clarke County was built in the late 1860's as the residence of Enoch S. Cobb, a prominent citizen and landowner in early Clarke County. The Cobb family retained the property until it was sold to Mrs. Bette Pugh Waite c. 1901. The home has been occupied by members of the Waite family since that time. The house is a well-preserved example of Plantation Plain architecture.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Ball's History of Clarke County
Deeds and records of the Clarke County Courthouse
Personal interviews with local residents

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

No U.T.M. Available

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY Less than 1 acre

QUADRANGLE NAME _____
UTM REFERENCES

QUADRANGLE SCALE _____

A	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
C	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
E	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
G	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING

B	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
D	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
F	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
H	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION _____

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

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Betty L. Norris

ORGANIZATION

DATE

9/1/78

STREET & NUMBER

P. O. Box 742

TELEPHONE

246-5310

CITY OR TOWN

Jackson

STATE

Alabama

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Staff Member David Baldwin

ADDED _____

Number _____

Thematic Category Art-Architecture

National Register Potential _____

Added to National Register _____



STATE OF ALABAMA

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9/28*

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ALABAMA REGISTER OF LANDMARKS AND HERITAGE
Nomination Form

COUNTY Clarke

NAME: Present White home Historic White home

LOCATION: Street and Number 2 miles west on U.S. 84

Town (Give directions if rural) Grove Hill

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

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

USE: Present private residence Historic private residence

OWNERSHIP: Public () Private

Owner's Name Mrs. Mary Tucker

Mailing Address PO Box 624

Grove Hill AL 36541

INTEGRITY: Original Site Moved () When? _____

From where? _____ (Give details in significance.)

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

TREATS: No Yes () By What? _____

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

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

Acreege _____

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? (✓) associated with events, persons, or movements
Local (✓) State () National ()
(✓) a good example of a type or style of structure
() other

Explain: (Briefly state why the above is true) Both the Cobb family and the Waite family are prominent in the local history of the Grove Hill area of Clarke County. Also, the house is a typical example of the popular plantation type plain structure.

Date of Construction or Period of major importance. late 1860s.

Architect or Builder (Give name and biographies, if known)
Built by Enoch S. Cobb (1826-1891) who was a wealthy prominent citizen of Clarke area.

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)
Enoch S. Cobb & his family built and lived in house until his death in 1891. He left a large estate, willing this house (he owned another in town) to his son Jesse Cobb, who sold it in 1891 to Mrs. Bettie Pugh Waite, wife of William Waters Waite. The Waite family has owned and occupied the house to the present day.

State sources of information, giving full bibliographical data:
Mrs. Jimmie Boyer, resident of Waite home. Bull's History of Clarke County.
Miss Minnie Mae Pugh, local historian.
Mrs. Mary Tucker, present owner.
Deeds and records of Clarke County Courthouse.

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

Complete as directed below for each category.

BUILDING:

Number of stories 2 Foundation lime rock Basement _____

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)
clap board.

Structural System: (If known)
Wood frame (✓) Load-bearing masonry () Iron or Steel ()

DESCRIPTION (Continued)

Roof Type: (Gable, Gambrel, Mansard, Flat, Hipped, Combination) Gambrel

Roof Covering: (Wood shingle, Asphalt, Tile, Metal, Slate) wood shingle

Roof Trim: (Cornices, bargeboard, brackets, etc.) plain

Porches: Front (type and description) shed-type porch, running the length of facade, with curved ceiling.

Rear (type and description) none

Side (type and description) none

Doors: Main entrance (location, description) Double doors, transomed, single-leaf 4 panels each.

Other entrances (location, description) rear door (now enclosed) single leaf 4 panels.

Windows: Types and number of each floor of facade ground floor: 4 double-hung windows, upstairs: 4, all single sashes.

Types and number per floor for sides and rear ground floor: 10 windows, double-hung, upstairs: 6, single sashes.

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

2 chimneys on either side of house, each having downstairs and upstairs fireplaces. Parlor to the right of main entrance hall has a federal style mantel; also has wood wainscoting 2 1/2 feet high. Fireplaces constructed of limestone. Stairs in entrance hall with dog-leg turn lead to 2 upstairs rooms with connecting hall. The upstairs is only 1 room deep, causing the roof to be pitched, so that the 2-room deep ground floor roof appears as a shed type. at back of main entrance hall are double doors opening into a room which has been added since original construction.

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

Chimney on west end and both west fireplaces now gone. There existed at one time a smokehouse and a pantry separate from main house. Also upstairs outside bannister is gone. Present occupants have undertaken some \$30,000.00 worth of restoration and modernization.

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 Betty L. Norris Date Sept 1, 1978
Address PO Box 742 Telephone 246-5310
Town Sackson AL 36545
Organization _____

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STAFF COMMENTS:

MAP REFERENCE: MAP _____

U. T. M. Reference Zone Easting Northing

Thematic Category _____

Added to ALABAMA REGISTER _____

NATIONAL REGISTER Potential

ALABAMA HISTORIC INVENTORY

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<p>1. No. <u>40</u></p> <p>2. County <u>Clarke</u></p> <p>3. Location of Negatives</p>	<p>4. Present Name(s) Waite Home</p> <p>5. Other Name(s)</p>	<p>1. No.</p> <p>2. County <u>Clarke</u></p> <p>4. Present Name(s) <u>Waite Home</u></p> <p>5. Other Name(s)</p> <p>6. Card Typed</p>
<p>6. Specific Location <u>2 mi. W. of Grove Hill on U. S. Hwy. 84</u></p> <p>7. City or Town <u>Grove Hill vicinity</u> <small>If Rural, Township & Vicinity</small></p> <p>8. Site Plan with North Arrow</p> <p>9. Coordinates Lat. _____ Long. _____ U.T.M. Reference Zone _____ Easting _____ Northing _____</p> <p>10. Site <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Structure <input 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 type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" 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>	<p>16. Thematic Category Art-Architecture</p> <p>17. Date(s) or Period Late 1860's</p> <p>18. Style or Design Plantation Plain</p> <p>19. Architect or Engineer</p> <p>20. Contractor or Builder Enoch S. Cobb</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 & Address, if known Mrs. Mary Tucker P. O. Box 624 Grove Hill, AL. 36541</p> <p>25. Local Contact Betty L. Norris P.O. Box 742 Grove Hill, AL. 36545</p> <p>26. Location of Additional Data</p>	<p>27. No. of Stories <u>2</u></p> <p>28. Basement? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>29. Foundation Material Concrete block/fieldstone</p> <p>30. Wall Construction Woodframe</p> <p>31. Roof Type & Material Gable-composition</p> <p>32. No. of Bays Front <u>5</u> Side <u>3</u></p> <p>33. Wall Treatment</p> <p>34. Plan Shape Rectangular</p> <p>35. Changes (Explain in No. 41) Addition <input type="checkbox"/> Altered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Moved <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>36. Condition Interior <u>Good</u> Exterior <u>Good</u></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>
<p>41. Further Description of Important Features Structure has full-length front porch with shed roof supported by 6 square wooden columns with balusters between each. The house at one time had a detached smokehouse and pantry. The house has undergone extensive modernization to its interior. The up-stairs is one room deep causing the two-room-deep downstairs portion to appear shed-like.</p>		<p>Photo</p>
<p>42. History and Significance The structure was built by Enoch S. Cobb and remained in his family until his son, Jesse M. Cobb deeded the property to Mrs. Betty Waite in 1901. Betty Waite's daughter still owns the property deeded her mother.</p>		
<p>43. Description of Environment and Outbuildings Rural setting</p>		
<p>44. Sources of Information AR nomination form</p>	<p>45. Prepared By</p> <p>46. Phone <u>246-5310</u> Date <u>4-3-79</u></p>	
<p>48. Staff Member D. Baldwin</p>	<p>49. Revision Date(s)</p>	



