

14. SAMUEL R. MURPHY HOUSE  
1150 Mesopotamia St.

Mrs. Robert McQueen  
1150 Mesopotamia St.  
Eutaw, AL 35462

Tax Map 35-18-04-9

Latitude: 32° 51' 50"

between 1850 and 1859  
no major alterations

160 acres - see attached plat map

Longitude: 87° 55' 7"

Architect/Builder unknown

SIGNIFICANCE: This is a very good example of the story-and-a-half Greek Revival Cottage with the terastyle portico.

DESCRIPTION: Externally the Murphy House resembles the Catlin Wilson and main block of the Stephen F. Hale houses, differing mainly in having octagonal piers to the portico and no chimneys on the flanks. Chimneys stand between each pair of rooms right and left, cutting awkwardly through the upper chambers. A major distinction inside is that there is a developed front hall, and the space behind widens in a room with windows flanking a center doorway, and from here rises the stairway to the upper story. A shallow, square-piered gallery survives on the rear of the house. It once had stairs at the north end descending to ground level, near whose foot is the entrance to the basement kitchen. A later kitchen was built level with the gallery back of the far end.



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Multiple Resource Area  
Thematic Group

Name Antebellum Homes in Eutaw Thematic Resources  
State Alabama

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

- 11. Hale, Stephen Fowler, House Entered in the National Register Keeper Delores Byers 4/2/82  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 12. Herndon-Liverman House Substantive Review Keeper ret.  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 13. Jones, William C., House Entered in the National Register Keeper Delores Byers 4/2/82  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 14. Meriwether, Dr. Willis, House Entered in the National Register Keeper Delores Byers 4/2/82  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 15. **Murphy, Samuel R., House** Entered in the National Register Keeper Delores Byers 4/2/82  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 16. Perkins, William, House Entered in the National Register Keeper Delores Byers 4/2/82  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 17. Phippen, Littleberry, House Substantive Review Keeper William H. Brahm 4.2.82  
Attest Carl Dink 4/1/82
- 18. Reese, Edwin, House Entered in the National Register Keeper Delores Byers 4/2/82  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 19. Roberts, Charles L., House Substantive Review Keeper ret.  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 20. Rogers, William A., House Entered in the National Register Keeper Delores Byers 4/2/82  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_

*N.R. decision to Review*

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EVALUATION / RETURN SHEET

Property: Murphy, Samuel P. House (Antebellum Homes in Eutaw Thematic Resources)  
State, County: Ala, Greene  
Federal Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Working No. 2/16/82-445

Fed. Reg. Date: 2.1.83

Date Due: 3/18/82 - 4/2/82

Action:  ACCEPT 4/2/82

RETURN \_\_\_\_\_

REJECT \_\_\_\_\_

Entered in the  
National Register

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maps \_\_\_\_\_

- resubmission
- nomination by person or local government
- owner objection
- appeal

Substantive Review:  sample  request  appeal  NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria \_\_\_\_\_

Reviewer \_\_\_\_\_

Discipline \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for:  technical corrections cited below  
 substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input 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

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- alterations/integrity
- dates
- boundary selection

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## **8. Significance**

Period \_\_\_\_\_ Area of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates \_\_\_\_\_

Builder/Architect \_\_\_\_\_

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

- \_\_\_\_\_ summary paragraph
- \_\_\_\_\_ completeness
- \_\_\_\_\_ clarity
- \_\_\_\_\_ applicable criteria
- \_\_\_\_\_ justification of areas checked
- \_\_\_\_\_ relating significance to the resource
- \_\_\_\_\_ context
- \_\_\_\_\_ relationship of integrity to significance
- \_\_\_\_\_ justification of exception
- \_\_\_\_\_ other

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## **9. Major Bibliographical References**

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## **10. Geographical Data**

Acres of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle name \_\_\_\_\_

UMT References \_\_\_\_\_

Verbal boundary description and justification \_\_\_\_\_

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## **11. Form Prepared By**

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## **12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification**

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

\_\_\_\_\_ national \_\_\_\_\_ state \_\_\_\_\_ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature \_\_\_\_\_

title \_\_\_\_\_

date \_\_\_\_\_

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## **13. Other**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Maps
- \_\_\_\_\_ Photographs
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: 202 272 - 3504

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet



Antebellum Homes in Eutaw  
Eutaw, Greene County, Alabama

#15-A Samuel R. Murphy House

Roy Swayze, 1980  
Greene County Historical Society

3/4 view

SAMUEL R. MURPHY house

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FEB 16 1982

*3/4 view*



Antebellum Homes in Eutaw  
Eutaw, Greene County, Alabama

#15-B Samuel R. Murphy House

Roy Swayze, 1980  
Greene County Historical Society

Detail - entrance

FEB 16 1982 15

SAMUEL R. MURPHY house

*detail - entrance*



Antebellum Homes in Eutaw  
Eutaw, Greene County, Alabama

#15 Samuel R. Murphy House

Roy Swayze, 1980  
Greene County Historical Society

Facade

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SAMUEL R. MURPHY house

FEB 16 1982

Please refer to the map in the  
Multiple Property Cover Sheet  
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000008