

United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

### National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

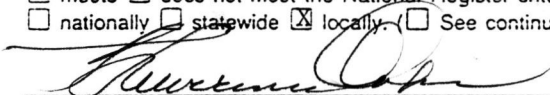
#### 1. Name of Property

historic name Randolph Plantation  
other names/site number Kerby House (preferred)

#### 2. Location

street & number Hale County Road 8 - Old U. S. Highway 80 N/A not for publication  
city or town Prairieville vicinity   
state Alabama code AL county Hale code 065 zip code 36742

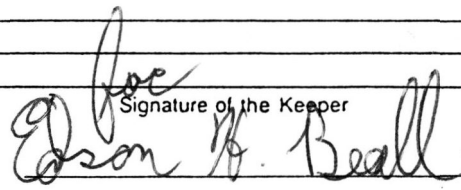
#### 3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, I hereby certify that this  nomination  request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property  meets  does not meet the National Register criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant  nationally  statewide  locally. ( See continuation sheet for additional comments.)  
 June 1, 1994  
Signature of certifying official/Title Date  
Alabama Historical Commission (State Historic Preservation Office)  
State of Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property  meets  does not meet the National Register criteria. ( See continuation sheet for additional comments.)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of certifying official/Title Date  
\_\_\_\_\_  
State or Federal agency and bureau

#### 4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that the property is:  
 entered in the National Register.  
 See continuation sheet.  
 determined eligible for the National Register  
 See continuation sheet.  
 determined not eligible for the National Register.  
 removed from the National Register.  
Other (explain): \_\_\_\_\_

  
Signature of the Keeper

Entered in the Date of Action  
National Register 7.7.94

Kerby House  
Name of Property

Hale County, Alabama  
County and State

**5. Classification**

**Ownership of Property**  
(Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

**Category of Property**  
(Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

**Number of Resources within Property**  
(Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
1	2	buildings
_____	_____	sites
_____	_____	structures
_____	_____	objects
1	2	Total

**Name of related multiple property listing**  
(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)  
Plantation Houses of the Alabama Canebrake and their associated outbuildings (1818-1942)

**Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register**  
N/A

**6. Function or Use**

**Historic Functions**  
(Enter categories from instructions)

Domestic/single dwelling

Domestic/secondary structure

Domestic/secondary structure

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Current Functions**  
(Enter categories from instructions)

Domestic/single dwelling

Vacant/not in use

Other/ruins

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\_\_\_\_\_

**7. Description**

**Architectural Classification**  
(Enter categories from instructions)

Greek Revival

**Materials**  
(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation Brick

walls Wood

roof Asphalt

other \_\_\_\_\_

**Narrative Description**

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

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Kerby house  
Prairieville vicinity  
Hale County, Alabama

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The Kerby house, also known as the Randolph plantation, ca. 1850, is a one story frame Greek Revival cottage which rests on a small rise and faces north. The house was sited to face the old Upper Demopolis to Uniontown Road which later became U. S. Highway 80 - Hale County 8. Today, that road is known as old Highway 80 since the new four lane Highway 80 passes directly behind the property to the South.

The structure is basically a square block with a side (east) wing; the wing is original to the house. The central block features a moderately pitched hip roof with two interior chimneys while the wing has a side gable roof and an exterior chimney. A pedimented entrance portico is centrally located on the front facade and is supported by four simple boxed supports with classical caps. The single leaf entrance features a full multi-pane transom and sidelights set in a Greek Revival door surround. The windows throughout the structure are 6/6 double hung sash. The floorplan features a central hall with flanking double rooms. All doors and window surrounds throughout the interior feature Greek key or shoulder moldings and all mantles are Greek Revival in design. Closets are located in three rooms; these rooms are believed to have been originally used as bedrooms. It is believed that the side wing was originally used as a dining room and this room features a small closet or pantry; it is presently used as a kitchen. A porch runs across the rear of the side wing. The rear portico is believed to have originally matched the front but it has been enclosed. A modern bath addition has been built on the rear porch and a door has been cut in the rear wall of the house. The exterior of the house has been covered with aluminum siding and the interior in most rooms, has been covered with particle board. Also located on the property is a deteriorated shed and a frame garage.

The Kerby house retains much of its original design, materials, craftsmanship, workmanship and feeling and a high degree of its original components and stylistic detailing. While the structure has undergone minor alterations to accommodate modern conveniences, the Kirby house retains a high degree of architectural significance. The nomination includes 1 contributing and two non-contributing buildings.

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- Criteria A, B, C, D with checkboxes. C is checked.

Criteria Considerations

(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)

Property is:

- Criteria A through G with checkboxes. All are unchecked.

Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions)

Architecture

Period of Significance

ca. 1850

Significant Dates

ca. 1850

Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

N/A

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Architect/Builder

Unknown

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS): N/A

- Documentation checkboxes: preliminary determination, previously listed, National Historic Landmark, etc.

Primary location of additional data:

- Location checkboxes: State Historic Preservation Office, Other State agency, Federal agency, etc.

Name of repository:

Kerby House  
Name of Property

Hale County, Alabama  
County and State

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property 1 acre

UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet.)

1	16	435450	3596520
	Zone	Easting	Northing
2			

3			
	Zone	Easting	Northing
4			

See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification

(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Jeff Mansell

organization Cahaba Trace Commission date August 24, 1993

street & number Route 1, Box 147 telephone (205) 665-7982

city or town Brierfield state Alabama zip code 35035

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A Sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative black and white photographs of the property.

Additional items

(Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of SHPO or FPO.)

name Mr. Jack Kerby

street & number 110 Andrews Drive telephone (205) 636-2588

city or town Thomasville state Alabama zip code 36784

Paperwork Reduction Act Statement: This information is being collected for applications to the National Register of Historic Places to nominate properties for listing or determine eligibility for listing, to list properties, and to amend existing listings. Response to this request is required to obtain a benefit in accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended (16 U.S.C. 470 et seq.).

Estimated Burden Statement: Public reporting burden for this form is estimated to average 18.1 hours per response including time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data, and completing and reviewing the form. Direct comments regarding this burden estimate or any aspect of the form to the Chief, Administrative Services Division, National Park Service, P.O. Box 37107, Washington, DC 20513-7107, and the Office of Management and Enterprise Services, Bureau of Economic Research, Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20540.

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### Criterion C: Architecture

The Kerby house, also known as the Randolph plantation, ca. 1850, is a small Greek Revival cottage, is a significant example of a Canebrake plantation house. While the house has been covered with siding and contains modern windows, the house is significant in that it retains its original form and detailing. The house yields information regarding the styles, form, construction methods, techniques and craftsmanship utilized by the residents of the Canebrake from 1830-1942. The house retains integrity in regard to design, materials, workmanship, feeling and setting. Too, the structure is particularly significant in that it is one of the few remaining plantation houses of a Canebrake planter whose primary residence was on another plantation.

### Historical Summary

The lands of the present day Kerby plantation were originally part of the French Vine and Olive colony and were awarded by the United States government to Adolph Batre who in turn, conveyed the lands to J. A. Stollenwerck on February 7th, 1839. In November of that same year, Stollenwerck sold the lands to Robert Carter Randolph whose primary residence was on the Oakleigh plantation, three miles east of Greensboro. A member of the prominent Randolph family of Virginia, Robert Carter Randolph was the son of Brett and Lucy Beverly Randolph of Prince Edward County, Virginia and was married to Anne Tayloe Beverly, daughter of Carter and Jane Beverly of Blandfield. After the death of Robert Carter Randolph in 1852, Anne Tayloe Randolph and her five children inherited the property but in the petition for the division of the land and settlement of the estate of Robert Carter Randolph, Harriet B. Randolph Moore inherited the N 1/2 and SW 1/4 of Section 28, Township 18, Range 4 East, the property upon which the present house is located. Due to the style, appearance, and construction techniques of the main house located on this property, it is believed that the house was constructed ca. 1850 and served as the primary plantation dwelling for this particular Randolph plantation. The residence was perhaps occupied by the overseer of the property or served as the home of the Randolphs when they were in residence at this plantation. In 1866, Harriet and Rittenhouse Moore conveyed the property to John Collins, a local planter who had been, prior to the Civil War, the largest land and slaveowner in the Canebrake region. Upon the death of John Collins, the property passed to his nephew, George Collins who owned the property until 1911. The property today is owned by Mr. Jack O. Kerby of Thomasville. <sup>1</sup>

### Archaeological Potential

Although no formal archaeological survey has been made at the Kerby house, the potential for subsurface remains may be high. Properties of this type were sited with a constellation of dependencies such as kitchens and other outbuildings. Buried portions may contain significant information that may be useful in interpreting the entire property.

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<sup>1</sup>Deed and Tract records for Marengo, Greene and Hale Counties including Tract Book page 292, and Deed Book G, pages 424 and 421 of Marengo County, Office of Probate, Marengo County, Linden, Alabama. Will Book C, page 361,;Book P, Page 90 of the Probate Court of Greene County; Deed Book S, page 1183; Book X, Pages 115-117; Book Y, page 70 & 80 all in the Office of Probate, Greene County, Eutaw, Alabama; Deed Book V, page 693 located in the Office of Probate, Hale County, Alabama.

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Hale County, Alabama

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### **Bibliography**

Deed and tract books located in the Office of Probate for Marengo, Greene, and Hale County, Alabama.

### **Verbal Boundary Description**

That tract of land comprising one acre immediately surrounding the main house of the property of Jack O. Kerby, lying in the north-half of Section 28, Township 18, Range 4 East. For exact boundaries please see tax maps.

### **Boundary Justification**

The boundary lines were drawn to include the historic resources associated with the Kerby house.

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### Photographs

Information in #1-5 is the same for all photographs. There has been no change to the property since a site visit on June 23, 1993.

1. Kerby house, also known as the Randolph Plantation
2. Prairieville vicinity, Hale County, Alabama
3. Jeff Mansell - photographer
4. Summer 1993
5. Negatives on file with the Alabama Historical Commission

Photograph #1, front facade, camera facing south

Photograph #2, northeast corner, camera facing southwest

Photograph #3, northwest corner, camera facing east

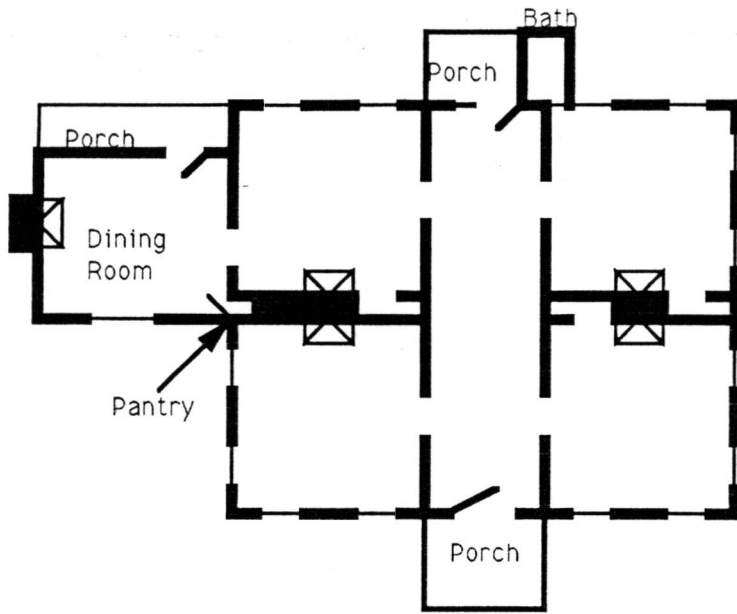
Photograph #4, rear elevation, camera facing north

Photograph #5, detail of interior door surround, camera facing west

Photograph #6, detail of front door and surround, camera facing south

Photograph #7, detail of interior door and surround, camera facing east

Photograph #8, copy of old photograph showing house ca. 1900

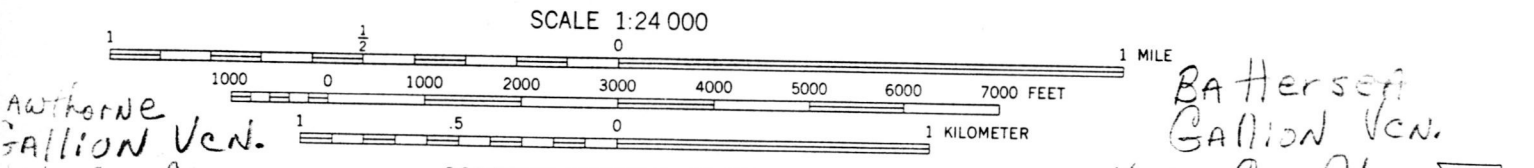
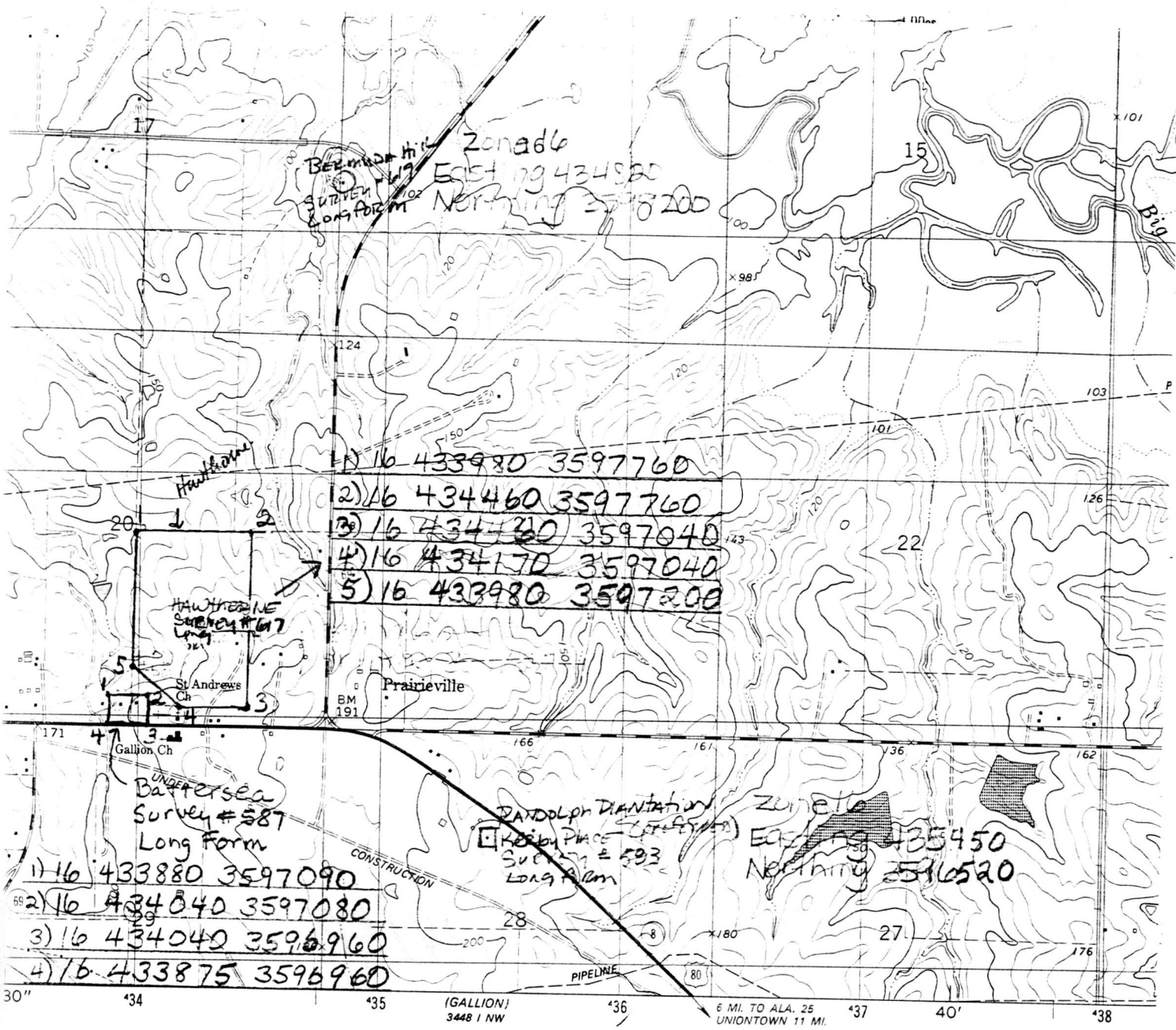


Old U. S. Highway 80/County Road 8

To Prairieville - 1.5 miles



Site and Floorplan of  
 the Randolph Plantation/Kerby House  
 ca. 1850  
 Prairieville vicinity,  
 Hale County, Alabama



**Author:** Hawthorne Gallion Ven. Hale Co., AL

**Property:** Dandolph Plantation/Kerby House, Prairieville Ven. Hale Co., AL

**Map Info:** BATTERSEA GALLION Ven. Hale Co., AL

**Map Info:** Bermuda Hill, Prairieville Ven. Hale Co., AL

CONTOUR INTERVAL 10 FEET  
 DOTTED LINES REPRESENT 5-FOOT CONTOURS  
 NATIONAL GEODETIC VERTICAL DATUM OF 1929

THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS FOR SALE BY U. S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, RESTON, VIRGINIA 22092  
 A FOLDER DESCRIBING TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS AND SYMBOLS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

Revisions shown in purple and wood State of Alabama agencies from aerial and other sources. This information Map edited 1986

See property "Battersea" for original map.

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Plantation Houses of Alabama Canebrake and Their Associated Outbuildings MPS  
Marengo County, ALABAMA

	DATE LISTED
Cover <u>Substantive Review</u>	7/13/93
1. Altwood <u>Substantive Review</u>	7/13/93
2. Cedar Grove Plantation <u>Substantive Review</u>	7/13/93
3. Cedar Haven	7/13/93
4. Cuba Plantation <u>Entered in the National Register</u>	7/13/93
5. Faunsdale Plantation <u>Entered in the National Register</u>	7/13/93
6. Cedar Crest <u>Entered in the National Register</u>	7/13/93
7. <u>Roseland Plantation</u> <u>Subst. Review</u>	8/5/93 4/20/94
Battersea <u>Entered in the National Register</u>	JUL 7 1994
Bremuda Hill <u>Entered in the National Register</u>	JUL 7 1994
Borden Oaks <u>Entered in the National Register</u>	JUL 7 1994
Hawthorne <u>Entered in the National Register</u>	JUL 7 1994
Waldwic <u>Substantive Review</u>	
<b>Kerby House</b> <u>Entered in the National Register</u>	JUL 7 1994
Payne House <u>Entered in the National Register</u>	JUL 7 1994
Sledge House <u>Entered in the National Register</u>	JUL 7 1994
Allen Grove <u>Entered in the National Register</u>	JUL 7 1994
Poole House <u>Entered in the National Register</u>	JUL 7 1994

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: Kerby House

MULTIPLE NAME: Plantation Houses of the Alabama Canebrake and Their Associated Outbuildings MPS

STATE & COUNTY: ALABAMA, Hale

DATE RECEIVED: 6/09/94      DATE OF PENDING LIST: 6/21/94  
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 7/07/94      DATE OF 45TH DAY: 7/24/94  
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 94000697

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N    DATA PROBLEM: N    LANDSCAPE: N    LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N  
OTHER: N    PDIL: N    PERIOD: N    PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N  
REQUEST: N    SAMPLE: N    SLR DRAFT: N    NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

ACCEPT     RETURN     REJECT    7.7.94 DATE *Entered in the National Register*

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

RECOM./CRITERIA \_\_\_\_\_  
REVIEWER \_\_\_\_\_  
DISCIPLINE \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE \_\_\_\_\_

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

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CLASSIFICATION

count       resource type

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STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

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FUNCTION

historic       current

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DESCRIPTION

architectural classification  
 materials  
 descriptive text

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SIGNIFICANCE

Period      Areas 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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BIBLIOGRAPHY

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GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

acreage       verbal boundary description  
 UTM's       boundary justification

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ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

sketch maps       USGS maps       photographs       presentation

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OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

\_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



Randolph - Kerby Place (Randolph Plantation)

PRAIRIEVILLE vicinity

HALE County, ALABAMA

PHOTO #1











Randolph - Kirby Place (Randolph Plantation)  
Prairieville Vicinity  
Hale County, Alabama  
Photo # 4



Randolph-Kirby Place (Randolph Plantation)  
Prairieville Vicinity  
Hale County, Alabama  
Photo # 5







Randolph ~~At~~by Place (Randolph Plantation)

Prairieville Vicinity

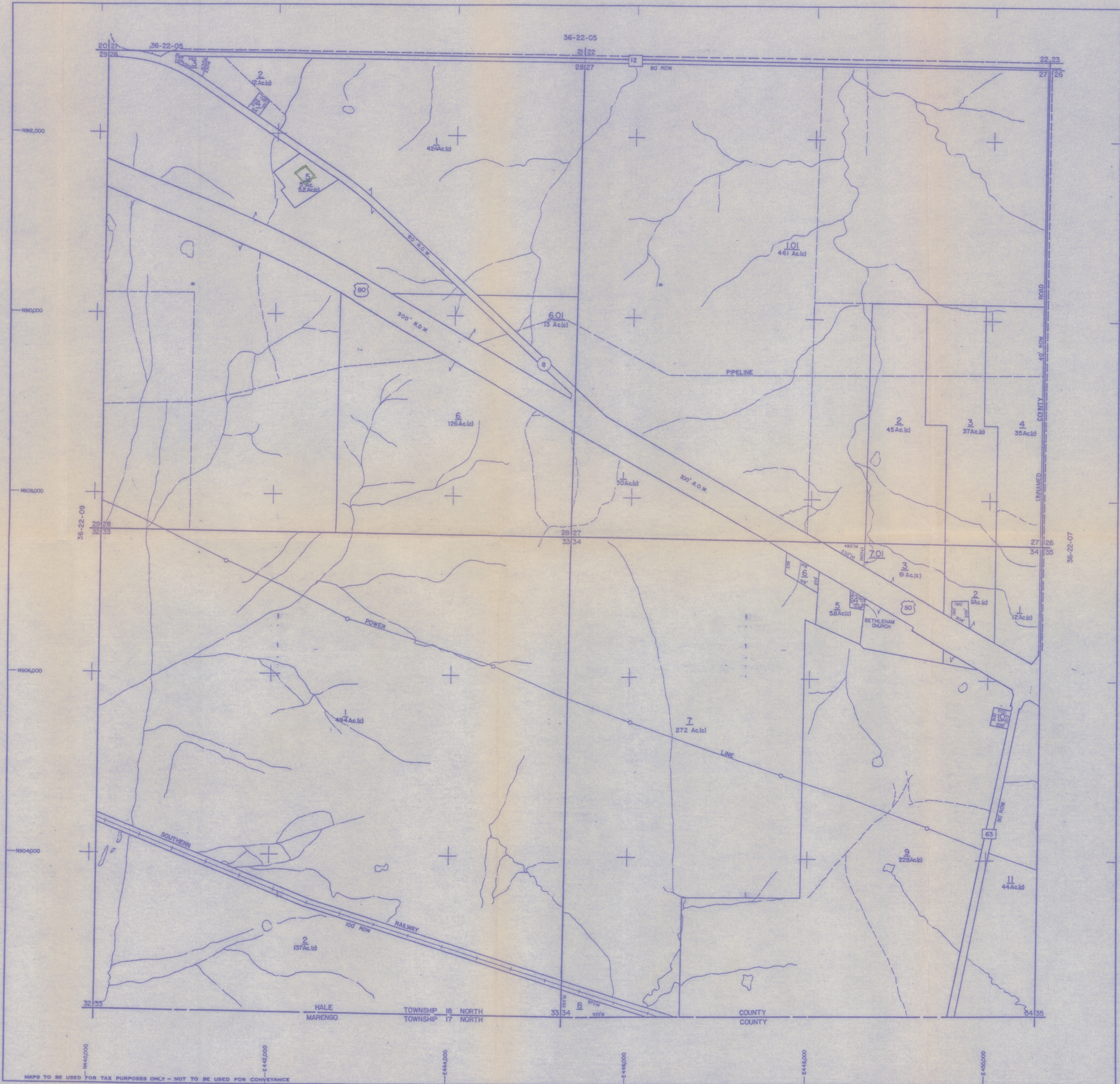
Hale County, Alabama

Photo # 3



Randolph Kirby PLACE (Randolph Plantation)  
Prairieville Vicinity  
Hale County, Alabama  
Photo # 8

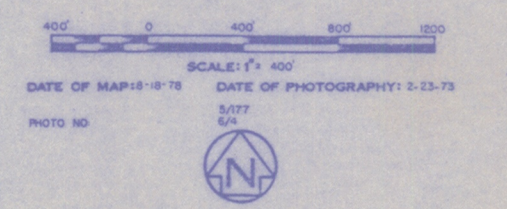
RANDOLPH, ROBERT CARTER, PLANTATION  
 KEZBY, JOE SR. PLACE (PREFERRED)  
 PRACIEVILLE VICINITY  
 HALE COUNTY, ALABAMA 1 ACRES



OWNERSHIP MAP  
 HALE COUNTY

PREPARED UNDER THE DIRECTION  
 OF THE  
 STATE OF ALABAMA  
 DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE  
 AD VALOREM TAX DIVISION

PREPARED BY  
 GULF COAST APPRAISAL ASSOCIATES, INC.



COUNTY LOCATOR

04	03	02	01
05	06	07	08
13	12	11	10
24	23	22	21
20	19	18	17
27	26	25	24

TOWNSHIP LOCATOR  
 (INDEX TO 1" x 400' & 1" x 200' MAPPING)

6	5	4	3	2	1
03	02	01			
7	8	9	10	11	12
18	17	16	15	14	13
04	05	06			
19	20	21	22	23	24
30	29	28	27	26	25
09	08	07			
31	32	33	34	35	36

SUB-SHEET INDEX

04	05	06
09	08	07

- LEGEND
- STATE LINE --- AREA (FROM DEED) 10.5 AC.
  - COUNTY LINE --- AREA (CALCULATED) 10.5 AC. (c)
  - CORPORATION LINE --- DIMENSION (FROM DEED) 16.5
  - DISTRICT LINE --- DIMENSION (SCALED) 66' (l)
  - ROAD R/W --- WATER
  - TRAVELED ROAD --- INTERSTATE HIGHWAY (with shield)
  - RAILROAD R/W --- U.S. HIGHWAY (with shield)
  - PROPERTY LINE --- STATE HIGHWAY (with shield)
  - LAND HOOK --- COUNTY HIGHWAY (with shield)
  - INTERIOR TRACT LINE OR ORIGINAL TRACT LINE --- ROADS OR STREETS BY NAME
  - SUBDIVISION LOT NUMBER --- MAJOR TRANSMISSION LINES (POWER, GAS, OIL)
  - PARCEL NUMBER --- SECTION CORNERS 2 1/2
  - BLOCK LINE (WHERE APPLICABLE) --- STATE PLANE COORDINATES 11 1/2
  - OWNERSHIP MAP BLOCK (WHERE APPLICABLE) --- OWNERSHIP MAP BLOCK (2)
  - CHURCHES, SCHOOLS, CEMETERIES, AIRPORTS, GOVERNMENT LANDS, ETC. --- BY NAME

REVISIONS

DATE	BY	REVISIONS

SECTIONS 27, 28, 33, 34  
 TOWN 18 NORTH, RANGE 4 EAST  
 36-22-08  
 MAP NUMBER

MAPS TO BE USED FOR TAX PURPOSES ONLY - NOT TO BE USED FOR CONVEYANCE

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64500009