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NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

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

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Spring Mill Complex

AND/OR COMMON

Gunkle's Mill

2 LOCATION

SW of Sevault at jet of

STREET & NUMBER

SE corner of Moores Rd & Rt 401 PA

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY TOWN

East Whiteland Twp

Sevault

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

5

STATE

Pennsylvania

CODE

42

COUNTY

Chester

CODE

029

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

OWNERSHIP

STATUS

PRESENT USE

___DISTRICT

___PUBLIC

___OCCUPIED

___AGRICULTURE

___MUSEUM

BUILDING(S)

PRIVATE

UNOCCUPIED

___COMMERCIAL

___PARK

___STRUCTURE

___BOTH

___WORK IN PROGRESS

___EDUCATIONAL

___PRIVATE RESIDENCE

___SITE

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

ACCESSIBLE

___ENTERTAINMENT

___RELIGIOUS

___OBJECT

IN PROCESS

YES RESTRICTED

___GOVERNMENT

___SCIENTIFIC

___BEING CONSIDERED

___YES UNRESTRICTED

___INDUSTRIAL

___TRANSPORTATION

___NO

___MILITARY

OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

National Liberty Life Insurance Corporation

STREET & NUMBER

Moores Road

CITY TOWN

Malvern

VICINITY OF

STATE

Pennsylvania 19355

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE

REGISTRY OF DEEDS ETC

Chester County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

Market & High Streets

CITY TOWN

West Chester

STATE

Pennsylvania

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Pennsylvania Inventory of Historic Places

DATE

1973

___FEDERAL STATE ___COUNTY ___LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

Pennsylvania Historic and Museum Commission

CITY TOWN

Harrisburg

STATE

Pennsylvania

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

CHECK ONE

CHECK ONE

EXCELLENT

DETERIORATED

UNALTERED

ORIGINAL SITE

GOOD

RUINS

ALTERED

MOVED DATE _____

FAIR

UNEXPOSED

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Spring Mill is a two and one-half story stone mill set into the banks with a full basement level. Its dimensions are approximately 36' by 40'. The gable roof is covered with wooden shingles and has boxed cornices and pediments. The roof is supported by heavy beams and arches more typical in German barn construction than mill construction. A single stuccoed chimney is located in the southwest corner. Three bays by two bays, windows which the mill has are six over six. The glass does not appear to be original.

The main entrance is located in the center bay of the north facade. Approached by three stone steps the doorway is simple in design. The Dutch door is shaded by pent roof overhang. Set above the roof is a datestone with the inscription SPRING MILL MICHAEL AND CATHARINE GUNKLE July 20th 1793.

The east gable end has a double garage type door on the Southeast end and a single door on the southwest end.

There appears to be no major changes in the interior of the mill but the complex history of milling at this mill can be seen in the many shutes, notched beams, holes and additional bracing made to the mill. The new twenty foot overshot wheel installed in 1894 is no longer present however the main shaft and interior mechanisms are still present. This new wheel and additional beams and posts were added in 1894 by Samuel Fetters. The mill was also remodeled in 1863 by owner, Jonathon Miller. Neither of these re-modelings changed the basic fabric or appearance of the structure.

The mill original had two French Burr stones. One is in situ, the second is located on the grounds near the mill. Many of the early wooden shafts, as well as latter, cast iron shafts, graders, sifters, and a wooden weighing scale are in storage in the mill. A small fireplace is located in the southwest corner. Numerous flour-stack stencils are located on the plaster walls.

The millers house is located north of the mill across Moores Road. This two and one-half story stuccoed stone house was badly damaged by fire in 1971 however the central stair and large fireplace remain in good condition. The gable roof is tin covered and an interior brick chimney is located in the west gable end. A smaller two story gable roof structure is located on the east gable end. A full length pent roof one story porch lines the front facade.

Located directly across Moores Road from the house is a one story stone springhouse. The gable roof is covered with abtostos shingles. A round-arch doorway is located on the underground level.

A one-story stone smokehouse is located to the rear, northwest of the Miller's house. This structure has a gable roof covered with wooden shingles.

A one story stone carriage house is located mid-way between the springhouse and mill.

3 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE		CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW		
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES 1793 BUILDER/ARCHITECT Michael Gunkle

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

In 1793, the "Spring Mill" was built in a farming area at the headwaters of Valley Creek, feed by a number of free-flowing springs which furnished power for 10-15 mills in East Whiteland Township. The amount of grain and lumber to be processed caused Michael Gunkle to build two more mills nearby and to purchase additional land with existing mills. The extensive acreage he purchased, totaling 1343 Acres, came to be known as the Spring Mill Farm, likewise a blacksmith shop, school, and the recent Spring Mill housing development. The prosperous owner, Samuel Fetters, was cited in 1881 by Futhy & Cope as having one of the Chester County's "Fine and comfortable" homes. The mill was in continuous operation until the early 1940's, and parts of the farm are worked today.

Of the three mills built by Michael Gunkle and the approximate ten other mills operating between 1764-1776, this is the only one remaining. Fortunately, the miller's house and three other sound buildings also exist, which form an ideal early mill site. Continuous occupation or use for storage has preserved the building. Thus the mill remains structurally sound as a whole, generous in proportion and has several interesting and unusual features: heavy third floor pegged arches, French burr mill stones, flour-sack stencils on walls, wooden milling parts extant, scales and the carefully placed date-stone. The site appears almost as it did in 1881. The house was also well-built, the eastern (18th century) section still has pegged window frames and the original stairway attached to a massive fireplace. The western section was built between 1800-1815. The entire complex represents structures, ca 1793-1815, well-built, and representative of a progressive and wealthy miller-landowner.

The mills and farms of Michael Gunkle were situated in the direct route through the Great Valley, from Downingtown to Philadelphia and along the path of the drover's wagons Swedesford Road and the Lancaster Pike. In 1810-1812 he helped finance one section of the (Little) Conestoga Turnpike, State Route 401, Conestoga Road. This section began at the Warren Inn, crossed Lancaster Road and Swedesford, Moores Road, on which the mill exists, is mentioned as early as 1764 and farmers could reach his mill using connecting roads from all surrounding townships. The mill represents Post-Revolutionary development in the Great Valley, a period in which trails became wagon roads and turnpikes, greater affluence produced stone barns, and log cabins and one-room stone dwellings became manor houses. It represents an era of a new nation at the time of Washington's Presidency, when a certain merchant from Philadelphia purchased 974 acres containing timber, arable land and water power, and in twenty years became one of East Whiteland's most progressive and prosperous citizens.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

See Continuation Sheet

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 2.67

QUADRANGLE NAME Malvern, Pennsylvania

QUADRANGLE SCALE 1:24000

UTM REFERENCES

A 18 451830 4433520
ZONE EASTING NORTHING

B
ZONE EASTING NORTHING

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

see Continuation Sheet

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

Mrs Doris M Powell

ORGANIZATION

East Whiteland Historical Commission

DATE

215-644-0903

STREET & NUMBER

20 Doe Lane

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Malvern

STATE

Pennsylvania 19355

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS

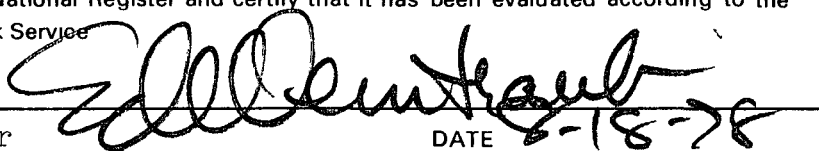
NATIONAL

STATE

LOCAL x

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89 665) I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE



TITLE ED WEINTRAUB, Director
Office of Historic Preservation

DATE

8-18-78

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE 12-14-78

ATTEST

[Signature]
KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

Dec 13, 1978

[Signature]
CHIEF OF REGISTRATION

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
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Verbal Boundary Description

*Gunkle Mill and Miller's House
Chester County*

Starting at a point along south side of Moores Road then east for 92 feet to point then east for 148 feet then south for 157 feet then southwest for 125 feet then west for 93 feet the west for 232.75 feet to south side of Moores Road then NE for 225 feet then north for 150 then NE for 225 feet then SE for 150 feet to starting point.

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Bibliographical Data

Chester County Court House, West Chester, Pa.

Deeds:

Book I-2, p.11 Thos. Oliver to Michael Gunkle. Original purchase contained 974 acres...mill and millhouse location.

Seven other deeds researched: other land purchased by M. Gunkle totaling 369 acres in East Whiteland and other townships in Pa.

Wills:

Michael Gunkle, papers No. 6350

Catherine Gunkle, papers No. 8440

John Gunkle (son/mill owner), papers No. 14162

Inventory of Michael Gunkle, papers no. 6350, No. 21, 1816

Administration Accounts on Estate, M. Gunkle, papers No. 6350

Supplementary Account, M. Gunkle's Estate, papers No. 6350

Inventory of Catherine Gunkle's Estate, papers No. 8440

Chester County Historical Society, West Chester, Pa.

Reprint from official Glass Tax census, 1798 (Microfilm)

Historical Marker Survey of Chester County, 1935.

Historic Armeican Buildings Survey, 1958, Chester County

Clipping Files:

Chester County Democrat, West Chester, Pa.: Aug. 23, 1894, Nov. 8, 1894.

Chester County Times, West Chester, Pa.: Nov. 22, 1862.

Jeffersonian, West Chester, Pa.: April 6, 1872, Sept. 21, 1872.

Maps: E. Whiteland landowners from 1681 to ca. 1750 (origin not identified).

Historical Atlas of Chester County, Published by Chester County Planning Commission, Chester County Printing Department, West Chester, Pa. 1971.

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1847, 1860 map of East Whiteland, prepared by Chester County Commissioners. 1912 map of East Whiteland.

Futhey, J. Smith & Gilbert Cope, History of Chester County, Penn. Philadelphia, Louis H. Everts, J. B. Lippincott & Co. Press, 1881, pp. 222, 490-91,

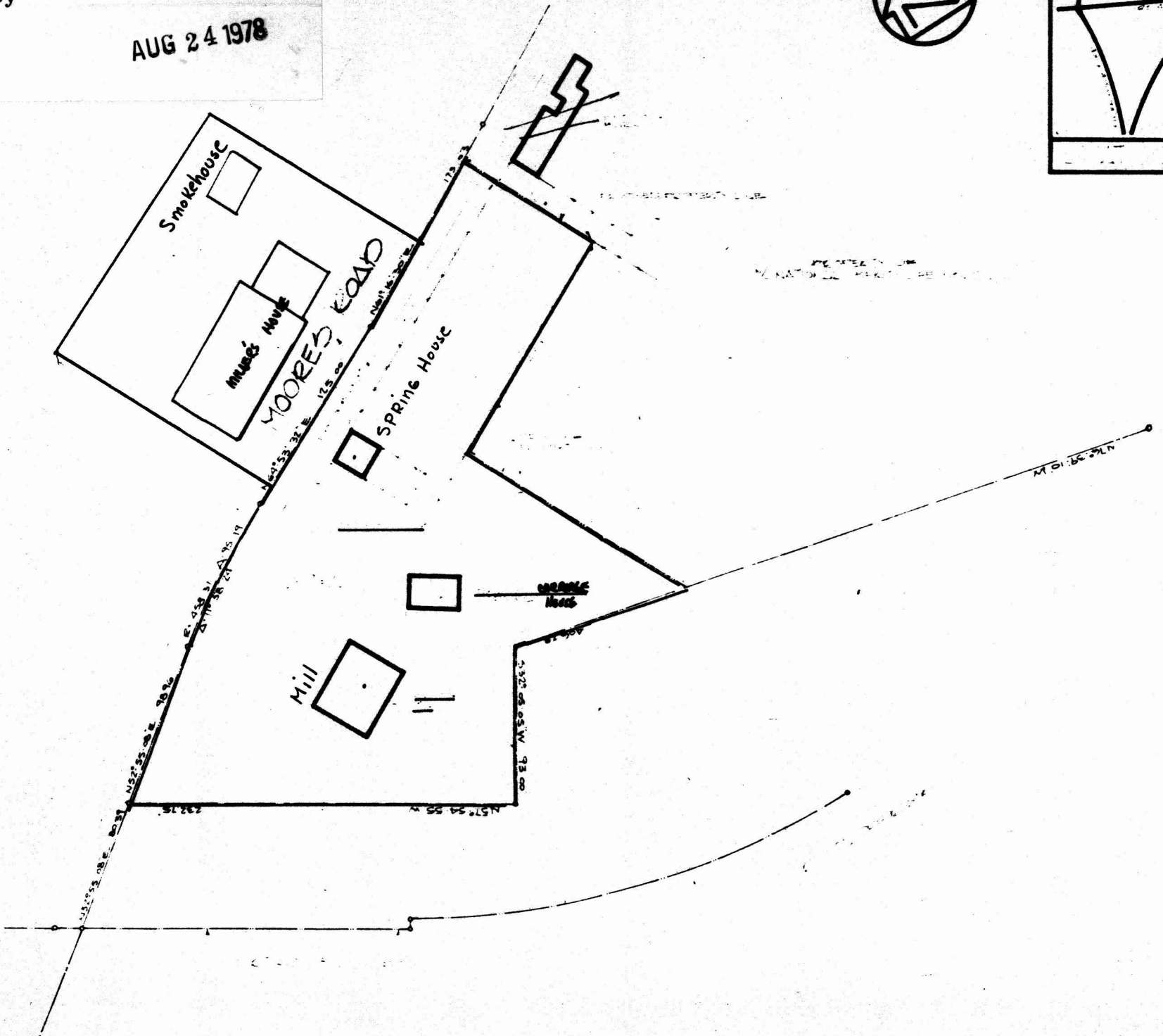
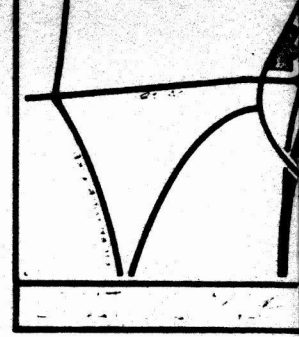
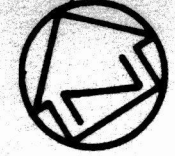
Illustration facing p. 547, pp. 572-573, p. 397.

Chester County Public Library

Raymond, Elenor, Early Domestic Architecture of Pennsylvania. Exton, Pa., Schiffer Press, Ltd., 1977. Plate 19.

Gunkle Mill and Miller's House
Chester county
Site Map

AUG 24 1978



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Property Spring Mill Complex
State PA Working Number 8.24.78.3953

TECHNICAL

Photos 7
Maps 2

CONTROL

OK pl
8.24.78

Represents period of rapid expansion of regional commerce + transportation. There were once 13 mills in vicinity, of which this is sole survivor; with its surrounding bldgs, it preserves significant associations w/ late 18th c. mills + w/ the important contributions by Gunkle. Good nomination!

HISTORIAN

Accept
12-13-78
Joe Towner

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN

ARCHEOLOGIST

OTHER

Mill Structure ~~maintains~~ retains considerable integrity in regard to historic design and equipment, nomination indicates it all dates from 19th century. Engineering and/or industry are not checked as areas of significance but ~~with~~ probably should have - accept

HAER

Inventory _____
Review 12/11/78
Don Jackson

REVIEW UNIT CHIEF

Accept
L. Beebe
12-13-78

BRANCH CHIEF

KEEPER

National Register Write-up _____
Federal Register Entry 2-6-79

Send-back _____
Re-submit _____

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COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION
BUREAU FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION
BOX 1026
HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA 17108-1026

February 12, 1987

Patrick Andrus
National Park Service
National Register of Historic Places
1100 L. Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Mr. Andrus:

We have recently received notification of the change of ownership of one of Pennsylvania's National Register properties. They have requested that the National Register record be updated to show this change. I have enclosed the supporting documentation for your records also.

If you have any questions please call (717) 783-9918.

Sincerely,

Susan M. Zacher

Susan M. Zacher
Division of Preservation Services

SZ:sk

cc: Doris M. Powell, Chairman
E. Whiteland Twp.

FEB 26 1986

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FEB 06 1987

20 Doe Lane
Malvern, PA 19355
February 3, 1987

Ms. Susan Zacher
Office of Historic Preservation
Pa. Historical & Museum Commission
Harrisburg, PA 17108

HISTORIC PRESERVATION

Dear Susan,

I have addressed this letter to you because I know you will see that the right person will handle this problem, and I suspect it really is for you.

Re: The Spring Mill Complex; aka The Gunkle Mill

The National Liberty Life Insurance Corporation had owned the Mill property when it was being considered for nomination to the National Register of Historic Sites and therefore the Insurance Company was notified and had received the certification of its actual registration, December 12, 1978. In the meantime, the legal processes of deeding it to the East Whiteland Township were taking place and ultimately the Mill was deeded to the Township September 19, 1978. I do not know if the PHMC office had been notified of this change of ownership. Note enclosures verifying this information.

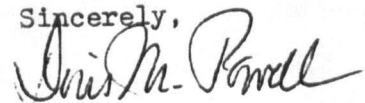
In the past years (ca. 1980?), National Liberty had been sold to the Capital Holding Company and any records relating to the Gunkle Mill have been misplaced or destroyed.

I am interested in the correct recognition (State and Dept. of Interior) that we, the East Whiteland Township, are the official owners and we want to place a National Register plaque on the Mill premises this summer of 1987.

I am also interested in knowing the procedure involved in obtaining an official plaque, where it can be ordered and the cost of the plaque. Any suggestions you may have will be appreciated.

I hope this finds you in good health and that 1987 will be a good year for you.

Sincerely,



Doris M. Powell, Chm.
East Whiteland Historical
Commission

Enclosed: Copy of Deed, Sept, 1978
Copy of National Register notification to Natl. Liberty Corp.
from Ed Weintraub, PHMC

DEED OF DEDICATION

RECORDED
11/15/78
148756

THIS INDENTURE, made the 19th day of September 1978, between NATIONAL LIBERTY LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, Frazer, Pennsylvania, 19355, of the one part, (hereinafter called the "Grantor"), and the TOWNSHIP OF EAST WHITELAND, 209 Conestoga Road, Frazer, Chester County, Pennsylvania, of the other part (hereinafter called the "Grantee").

WITNESSETH:

That the said Grantor, for and in consideration of the advantage to it accruing as well as for diverse and other considerations affecting the public welfare which it seeks to advance has remised, released and quit claimed, and by these presents does remise, release and quit claim unto the party of the second part, its successors and assigns forever, the following:

ALL THAT CERTAIN lot or piece of ground, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate at the intersection of U.S. Route 401 and Moores Road, in East Whiteland Township, Chester County, Pennsylvania, and more particularly described on a plan prepared by SWK, Ltd., Architects and Engineers, dated April 17, 1978 and designating the site as the "Gunkle Mill Property", and more particularly bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point on the centerline of Moores Road, said point being located North 52 degrees 55 minutes 08 seconds East, 107.04 feet along the centerline of Moores Road from the centerline intersection of U.S. Route 401 and Moores Road; thence from said point of beginning along the centerline of Moores Road, the following five bearings and distances: (1) North

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52 degrees, 55 minutes 08 seconds East, 80.39 feet; thence (2) North 52 degrees 55 minutes 08 seconds East, 98.96 feet; thence (3) being a curve to the right having a radius of 458.37 feet, arc length of 95.79 and delta of 11 degrees 58 minutes 24 seconds to a point; thence (4) North 64 degrees 53 minutes 32 seconds East, 125.00 feet; thence (5) North 61 degrees 16 minutes 30 seconds East, 115.23 feet to a point in the bed of Moores Road; thence leaving Moores Road and along properties now or late of National Liberty Life Insurance Company, the following three courses: (1) South 25 degrees 06 minutes 28 seconds East, 92.00; thence (2) South 64 degrees 53 minutes 32 seconds West, 148.00 feet; thence (3) South 25 degrees 06 minutes 28 seconds East, 154.24 feet to a point; thence leaving properties now or late of National Liberty Life Insurance Company, North 76 degrees 39 minutes 10 seconds West, 101.68 feet to a point; thence South 32 degrees 05 minutes 05 seconds West, 158.19 feet to a point on the right of way line of U.S. Route 401; thence along the right of way of U.S. Route 401, the three following courses: (1) a curve to the right having a radius of 492.96 feet, arc length of 62.39 feet, chord length of 62.35 feet and chord bearing of North 61 degrees 32 minutes 27 seconds East to a point; thence (2) South 32 degrees 05 minutes 05 seconds West, 6.00 feet; thence (3) North 57 degrees 54 minutes 55 seconds West, 199.12 feet to the first mentioned point and place of beginning.

CONTAINING 1.772 acres of land be the same more or less.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD, the said lot or piece of ground above described unto the said Grantee, to and for the only

proper use and behoof of the said Grantee, its successors and assigns forever, as and for a public historical site and as part of the Grantee's park system, to be maintained as an historical site, and for no other use and purpose whatsoever.

The party of the second part covenants and agrees that the premises herein agreed to be conveyed will be utilized by the party of the second part as an historical site, and that the premises will be maintained as part of the Township of East Whiteland's park system as an historical site. Historical use shall be construed to include residential use by a caretaker selected by the party of the second part. The term "historical use" shall be construed to include use of the premises as a museum or commemorative site memorializing past events or people or other such use as advances that purpose. Any alterations and improvements to the property made by the party of the second part shall be subject to the reasonable approval of the party of the first part.

In the event the party of the second part discontinues and abandons the historical use of the premises, and such discontinuance and abandonment is demonstrated by party of the first part to a competent court of record having final Appellate jurisdiction then, in that event, title to the premises shall revert to party of the first part.

And the said Grantor, for itself, its successors and assigns, by these presents covenants, promises and agrees to and with the said Grantee, its successors and assigns, that neither the Grantor, its successors and assigns, shall nor will at any time hereafter, ask, demand or recover or receive of or from the said Grantee, its successors and assigns, any sum or sums of money as and for damages for or by reason of this conveyance or by reason

BUCKLEY, NASH &
W. A. G. BIDDY
ATTORNEYS AT LAW

of physical changes made to the premises by the Grantee.

If, at any time subsequent to this conveyance, Grantor seeks to develop or sub-divide its remaining tract (from which this property being conveyed has been sub-divided off for purposes of this conveyance) the amount of ground herewith conveyed can be calculated by Grantor as remaining in its tract, for purposes of calculations only, as if the same had not been conveyed, for purposes of meeting bulk and area requirements necessitated by any township ordinance; however, this provision shall not be construed in any way to affect or to defeat the conveyance herewith made, its only purpose and effect being to insure that this conveyance will not be used to adversely affect Grantor's future ability to develop or sub-divide its tract solely because of a bulk or area requirement imposed by East Whiteland Township through the operation of its ordinances and resulting from this conveyance. This provision shall not, however, be in any way construed as a waiver of any other provisions or requirements of East Whiteland Township's ordinances as the same may be applied to Grantor's remaining tract.

This Deed is made and accepted under and subject to an express license to which the parcel is subject allowing the Grantor to come upon the conveyed premises, so long as it remains the owner of the foregoing adjoining tract, for the purpose of erecting, maintaining and dissembling Grantor's annual Christmas and Nativity display, subject to that display's being maintained only during the traditional Christmas season and the proper maintenance and restoration of the premises during and after erection thereof.

This Deed is made and accepted under and subject to an express license to which the parcel is subject allowing the Grantor

who acknowledged himself to be the PRESIDENT of National Liberty Life Insurance Company, Grantor herein, a corporation, and that he, as such officer, being authorized to do so, executed the foregoing Deed for the purpose therein contained, and in due form of law acknowledged the above Indenture to be the act and deed of the corporate Grantor, and desired the same might be recorded as such.

Claire B. Maiden

NOTARY PUBLIC

CLAIRE B. MAIDEN, NOTARY PUBLIC
EAST WHITELAND TWP., CHESTER COUNTY
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES JAN. 7, 1982
Member, Pennsylvania Association of Notaries

Address of Grantee:

209 Conestoga Road
Frazer, Pennsylvania 19355

Florence D. Hunt

RECORDER OF DEEDS

BUCKLEY, NAGLE
& McQUIDDY
ATTORNEYS AT LAW
WEST CHESTER, PENNSYLVANIA

Rec: In Chester Co: Pa: In

Da. Bk: V53 Page 89

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Spring Mill Complex
Chester County
PENNSYLVANIA

FEB 26 1987

Substantive Review

Working No. _____

Fed. Reg. Date: _____

Date Due: 4/12/87

Action: ACCEPT

RETURN 4/6/87

REJECT _____

Federal Agency: _____

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

Substantive Review: sample request appeal NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Please note comment on reverse

Recom./Criteria Patrick Andrews

Reviewer _____

Discipline Historian

Date 4/6/87

_____ 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

- excellent
- good
- fair
- deteriorated
- ruins
- unexposed

Check one

- unaltered
- altered

Check one

- original site
- moved date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

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

8. 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

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UTM References _____

Verbal boundary description and justification _____

11. Form Prepared By

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

- ✓ 13. Other *Request to change official documentation should be at the request of SHPO or designated person authorized to undertake nomination activities.*
- Maps
 - Photographs
 - Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed *Patrick Andrews*

Date *4/6/07*

Phone: _____



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add. info - Resub

April 13, 1987

Carol Shull
Chief of Registration
National Register of Historic Places
U. S. Department of Interior
Box 37127
Washington, D. C. 20013-7127

Re: Spring Mill Complex
Chester County

Dear Ms. Shull:

On February 12, 1987, Susan Zacher of our office sent a letter to your office requesting that the official owners of the Spring Mill Complex in Chester County be changed. This property was listed on December 14, 1978, and has changed ownership from the National Liberty Life Insurance Corporation to East Whiteland Township. On February 26, 1987 you returned Ms. Zacher's request, stating that only the State Historic Preservation Officers or a designated authorized person can take such action. (Please see enclosed letters and documentation.)

I therefore ask that the owners of the Spring Mill Complex in Chester County be officially changed from the National Liberty Life Insurance Corporation to East Whiteland Township. As the State Historic Preservation Officer, I certify that this change is correct and that I approve this change.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "L. Tise".

LARRY E. TISE
State Historic Preservation Officer

Enclosure

APR 21 1987

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

APR 21 1987

National Register of Historic Places Continuation Sheet

Section number _____ Page _____

Chester County, PA

Nomination/Type of Review

Spring Mill Complex (Additional Information)

Date/Signature

Keeper Carol O'Shull 6-2-87

Attest _____

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Spring Mill Complex
Chester County
PENNSYLVANIA

~~Substantive Review~~

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

Substantive Review: sample request appeal NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

~~owner's~~ owner's name change - accept new info. from
SHPO.

Working No. 4/21/87
 Fed. Reg. Date: 2/2/87
 Date Due: 6/15/87
 Action: ACCEPT 6/2/87
 RETURN
 REJECT
 Federal Agency: _____

Recom./Criteria accept
 Reviewer Patrick Andrews
 Discipline Historian
 Date 6/2/87
 _____ 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

- excellent
- good
- fair
- deteriorated
- ruins
- unexposed

Check one

- unaltered
- altered

Check one

- original site
- moved date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

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

8. 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

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UTM References _____

Verbal boundary description and justification _____

11. Form Prepared By

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 _____

13. Other

- Maps
- Photographs
- Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: _____



Miller's house, SW corner
"Spring Mill" registration,
▲ East Whiteland Twp. Pa. ▲

Gunkle Mill and Miller's House
Chester County Spring Mill Comple
PD: 1978
PC: D.Powell
PV: Miller's House

DEC 14 1978

AUG 24 1978

PHOTO: DORIS POWELL

MILLER'S HOUSE,
S.W. corner
"SPRING MILL" REG.
E.WHITELAND TWP., PA.



Smoke house, South view
"Spring Mill" registration
East Whiteland Twp., Pa.

Gunkle Mill and Miller's House
Spring Mill Complex
Chester County

PD: 1978

AUG 24 1978

PC: D. Powell

PV: Smoke House

DEC 14 1978

SMOKE HOUSE, SOUTHVIEW
"SPRING MILL" REB.
EAST WHITELAND TWP., PA.

PHOTO: DORIS POWELL



Spring house, South view
"Spring Mill" registration
East Whiteland Twp., Pa.

Spring Mill Complex
Chester County
PD: 1978
PC: D. Powell
PV: Spring house

AUG 24 1978

DEC 14 1978

SPRING HOUSE - SOUTH
"SPRING MILL" REG.
E. WHITECAMP TWP.
PA.

PHOTO: DORIS POWELL



Carriage House, NE corner
"Spring^MMill" registration
East Whiteland Twp., Pa.
▲ ▲

Spring Mill Complex
Chester County
PD: 1978
PC: D.Powell
PV: Carriage House

AUG 24 1978
DEC 14 1978

CARRIAGE HOUSE, N.E. CORNER

"SPRING MILL" REG.
EAST WHITELAND TWP., PA.

PHOTO: DORIS POWELL



General View, from the East.
Mill, Spring house and Miller's
house, at right.
"SPRING MILL"
EAST WHITELAND TWP. PA.

Spring Mill Complex
Chester County

AUG 24 1978

PD: 1978

DEC 14 1978

PC: D.Powell

PV: General view from the East

CREDIT: DORIS POWELL

GENERAL VIEW, from EAST

MILL BRING HOUSE +
MILLER'S HOUSE

"SPRING MILL" E. WHITLAND TWP.
PA.



General view: from NE. Spring house,
Carriage house and "Spring Mill"
East Whiteland Twp., Pa.

Spring Mill Complex
Chester County
PD: 1978
PC: D.Powell
PV: General view from NE

AUG 24 1978
DEC 14 1978

GENERAL VIEW from N.E.
SPRING HOUSE, CARRIAGE
HOUSE & MILL
"SPRING MILL" REG.

CREDIT: DORIS POWELL

EAST WHITELAND TWP., PA.

"Spring Mill" 1793
East Whiteland Township

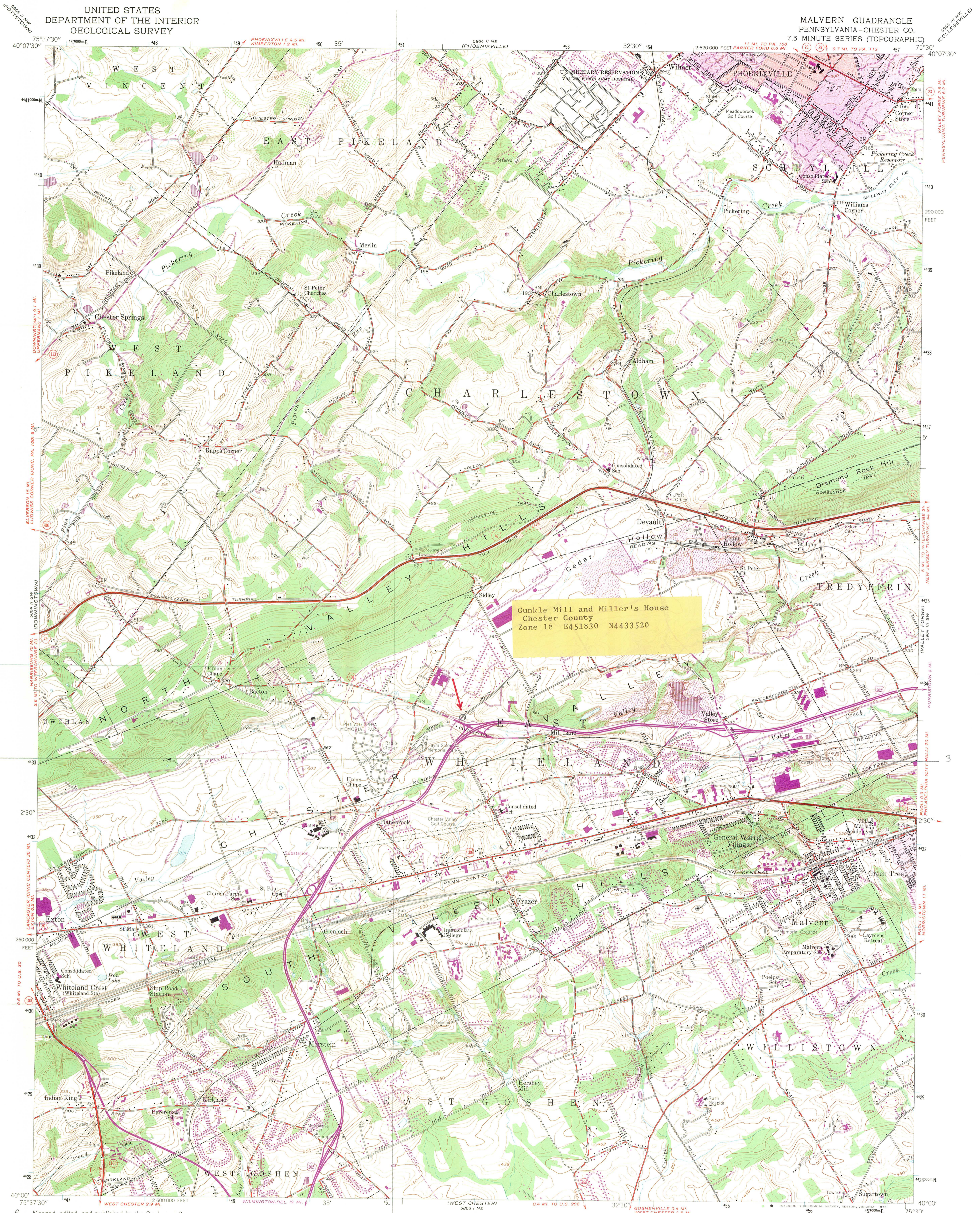
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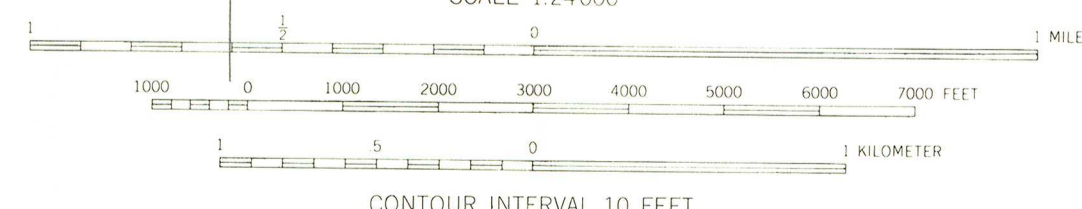
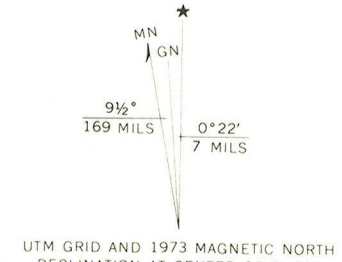
Gunkle Mill and Miller's House
Chester County DEC 14 1978
PD: 1978 AUG 24 1978
PC: David Dillman
PV: front facade and west elevation
of mill

PHOTO CREDIT:
DAVID DILLMAN
MAY 1978



Gunkle Mill and Miller's House
Chester County
Zone 18 E451830 N4433520

Mapped, edited, and published by the Geological Survey
Control by USGS and USC&GS
Topography from aerial photographs by photogrammetric methods. Aerial photographs taken 1951. Field check 1955
Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum
10,000-foot grid based on Pennsylvania coordinate system, south zone
Red tint indicates areas in which only landmark buildings are shown
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks, zone 18, shown in blue
Revisions shown in purple compiled in cooperation with State of Pennsylvania agencies, from aerial photographs taken 1968 and 1973. This information not field checked
Purple tint indicates extension of urban areas



Heavy-duty	Light-duty
Medium-duty	Unimproved dirt
Interstate Route	U.S. Route
	State Route

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



DEC 14 1978

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1955
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ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

STATE PENNSYLVANIA

Date Entered Dec 14 1978

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>
English Center Suspension Bridge	English Center Lycoming County
Brown, John Tannery Site	New Richmond Crawford County
Bonifels	Ridgway vicinity Elk County
Abbeville	Lancaster Lancaster County
Spring Mill Complex	Devault vicinity Chester County

Also Notified

Honorable Richard S Schweiker
Honorable H John Heinz III
Honorable Allen E Ertel
Honorable Marc L Marks
Honorable William F Clinger Jr
Honorable Robert S Walker
Honorable Richard T Schulze

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NATIONAL REGISTER DATA SHEET

① NAME as it appears on federal register: Spring Mill Complex
 ② OTHER NAMES: Gunkle's Mill
 ③ Date of entry: DEC 14 1978
 ④ county code: 029

⑤ LOCATION street & number: SW of Devault at jct of Moores Rd. and PA 401
 city / town: Devault
 vicinity of: Devault
 state: PA
 county: Chester
 ⑥ NPS REGION: Mid Atlantic

⑦ OWNER PRIVATE STATE MUNICIPAL COUNTY MULTIPLE FEDERAL (agency name)
 ⑧ ADMINISTRATOR: _____

⑨ EXISTING SURVEYS HABS HAER NHL
 ⑩ FUNDED? YES NO
 ⑪ CONGRESS. DISTRICT: 5
 ⑫ SOURCE of NOMINATION STATE FEDERAL

⑬ WITHIN NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICT? YES, NAME _____ NO
 ⑭ WITHIN NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK? YES, NAME _____ NO
 ⑮ ACREAGE: _____
 if state who prepared form? LOCAL PRIVATE ORGANIZATION

⑯ CONDITION
 excellent good fair
 deteriorated ruins unexposed unexcavated
 altered unaltered reconstructed excavated
 original site moved unknown

⑰ features:
 INTERIOR: SUBSTANTIALLY INTACT-1 NOT INTACT-0 UNKNOWN-4 NOT APPLICABLE-7
 EXTERIOR: SUBSTANTIALLY INTACT-2 NOT INTACT-0 UNKNOWN-5 NOT APPLICABLE-8
 ENVIRONS: SUBSTANTIALLY INTACT-3 NOT INTACT-0 UNKNOWN-6 NOT APPLICABLE-9

⑱ ACCESS YES - Restricted YES - Unrestricted No Access Unknown
 ⑲ ADAPTIVE USE YES NO
 ⑳ SAVED? YES
 ㉑ IS PROPERTY A HISTORIC DISTRICT? yes no

㉒ AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE:
 ARCHEOLOGY - prehistoric-2
 ARCHEOLOGY - historic-1
 AGRICULTURE -3
 ARCHITECTURE -4
 ART-5
 ENGINEERING -11
 ENTERTAINMENT -26
 EXPLORATION -12
 HEALTH -27
 INDUSTRY -13
 EDUCATION -10
 LANDSCAPE ARCH. -15
 LAW -16
 LITERATURE -17
 MILITARY -18
 MUSIC -19
 PHILOSOPHY -20
 POLITICS / GOVT. -21
 RELIGION -22
 SCIENCE -23
 SOCIAL / HUMANITARIAN -24
 SOCIAL / CULTURAL -30
 TRANSPORTATION -25
 RECREATION -28
 SETTLEMENT -29
 URBAN PLANNING -31
 OTHER (SPECIFY) _____

㉓ CLAIMS: explain
 'first'
 'oldest'
 'only'

㉔ functions
 WHEN HISTORICALLY SIGNIFICANT:
 CURRENTLY:
 ㉕ dates of initial construction:
 major alterations:
 historic events:
 ㉖ ETHNIC GROUP ASSOCIATION

㉗ architectural style(s):
 ㉘ architect:
 ㉙ master builder:
 ㉚ engineer:

㉛ landscape architect / garden designer:
 ㉜ interior decorator:
 ㉝ artist:
 ㉞ artisan:
 ㉟ builder/contractor:

㊱ NAMES give role & date
 PERSONAL:
 EVENTS:
 INSTITUTIONAL:

㊲ NATIONAL REGISTER WRITE-UP