

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries complete applicable sections)

FINAL- No Sig.

STATE: Indiana
COUNTY: Wayne
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ENTRY DATE

1. NAME

COMMON: The Huddleston House Tavern
AND/OR HISTORIC: The Huddleston House Tavern

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: U.S. Highway 40 East			
CITY OR TOWN: Mount Auburn		CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT: Tenth	
STATE: Indiana	CODE: 18	COUNTY: Wayne	CODE: 177

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/> Comments

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME: Historic Landmarks Foundation of Indiana, Inc.	STATE: Indiana
STREET AND NUMBER: 3402 Boulevard Pl.	
CITY OR TOWN: Indianapolis	
CODE: 18	

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC: Recorder's Office, Wayne County, Indiana	STATE: Indiana
STREET AND NUMBER: Court House, 4th & Main Streets	
CITY OR TOWN: Richmond	
CODE: 18	

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY: Indiana Historic Preservation Survey and Plan	STATE: Indiana
DATE OF SURVEY: 1972 <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local	
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: Indiana Department of Natural Resources	
STREET AND NUMBER: 202 N. Alabama St.	
CITY OR TOWN: Indianapolis	CODE: 18

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7. DESCRIPTION

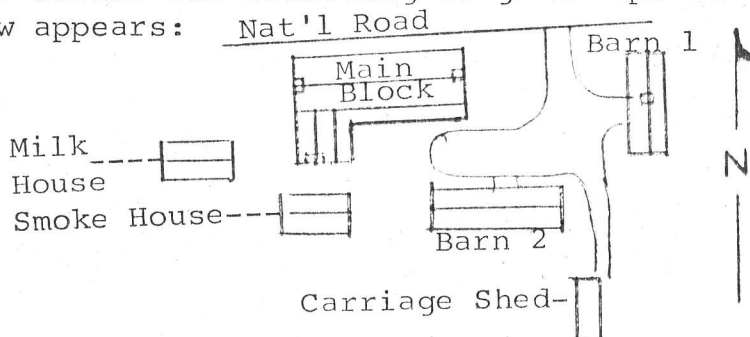
CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

1. Exterior of Main Building: Huddleston House is a 3 story 12 void regular brick gabled tavern with attached 2 story gabled kitchen ell of brick. The principal elevation faces the National Road. Two doors in the basement story provide access from the road front. The tavern site slopes from south to north toward the National Road. The building is 2 stories high on the rear elevation. The rear elevation is crossed by a one story veranda. It opens into an inn court yard. The kitchen ell of 2 stories has a semi-free standing outside brick chimney which rises above the roofline of the main block. It services a kitchen fireplace described in (2) below. All sash are 6 x 6 light small paned glass. The house may have had blinds. but no trace of the same can now be found. Door and window trim is simple and dignified, of no particular order.

2. Interior of Main Building: The basement story(which receives light from the north only) consists of 2 rooms separated by an enclosed stairway leading to the second floor. The two rooms appear to have been a tap room(to the west) and a parlour. No original bar hardware remains. The second story consists of a guest's parlour and common room(to the west) separated by the stairway. Both rooms have excellent Grecian style columnar mantels and window and door trim to match. The third floor and garret are sleeping cubicles. The kitchen is simple and contains no outstanding features other than the 6½ foot wide fireplace used for food preparation.

3. Dependencies: Huddleston House is one of the few 19th century Indiana road houses with any original dependencies remaining. It is the only complete inn court yard left in Indiana. A one story brick gabled milk house is southwest of the kitchen; a one story brick smoke house is south of the kitchen ell. Two barns of braced frame construction sheathed with vertical board and batten siding stand to the southeast of the main block. A one story braced frame gabled carriage shed stands to the south of the barns. The following diagram explains the inn court as it now appears:



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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian	<input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century
<input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century	

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) ca. 1838-1840

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal	<input type="checkbox"/> Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Political	<input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning
<input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> Engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify):
<input type="checkbox"/> Historic	<input type="checkbox"/> Industry	<input type="checkbox"/> Science	<u>Recreational</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> Invention	<input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture	<u>Activities</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Art	<input type="checkbox"/> Literature	<input type="checkbox"/> Theater	_____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Transportation	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Communications	<input type="checkbox"/> Music		_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Conservation			_____

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

1. Architectural Significance: Huddleston House is the best preserved Indiana early 19th century inn. It is a fine representative example of late Federal style commercial construction in Indiana. The dependences have somehow survived 130 years to form a group of superb inn outbuildings and a true inn court. The main building is highly articulated and functionally organized into sleeping, eating and recreational areas. It is the best remaining example of the traditional Anglo-American inn in Indiana, if not the Midwest. The simple inn type of the Huddleston House was to be superceded by 1845 by the Rogers-type hotel, such as Indianapolis' Bates House. The interior detailing of the main block is well-conceived and characteristic of the late 1830's.

2. Historical Significance: Huddleston House was built by Jonathan Huddleston between 1838 and 1840. It was a business venture put up by one of the original proprietors of nearby Dublin. Huddleston was a businessman and inn-keeper in Dublin. The Huddleston House catered to drovers, immigrants and commercial travelers. It was located outside Dublin because it required a large yard for livestock and immigrant wagons. The Huddleston House was sold to Levi Burkett in 1847, later reconveyed to Solomon Huddleston in 1854. Solomon passed the house to John Huddleston in 1860. It was operated as an inn long after most National Road inns had closed. It was closed before the turn of the century, and sold out of the family in 1934. It was re-opened just before World War II as a restaurant, and remained open until 1963, when purchased by Historic Landmarks Foundation of Indiana, Inc. It is now undergoing restoration by Historic Landmarks Foundation.

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

A. Young, History of Wayne County, Indiana (1872); Wayne County Auditor's Transfer Books 1840-1846, 1846-1850 (Jackson Twp.) 1850-1854, 1854-1869 (Mount Auburn)

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
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SW	° ' "	° ' "				

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 2.50

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
Indiana	18	Wayne	177
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:

Thomas J. Reed

ORGANIZATION

Swannsborough Limited

DATE

July 1, 1974

STREET AND NUMBER:

Rt. #1, Box 405

CITY OR TOWN:

Richmond

STATE

Indiana

CODE

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12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison 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. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National State Local

Name _____

Title _____

Date _____

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Director, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date _____

ATTEST:

Keeper of The National Register

Date _____

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