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COUNTY \_\_\_\_\_ BLOCK \_\_\_\_\_ 157  
CITY QUAD LOT \_\_\_\_\_ 7

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY: Harris  
ADDRESS: 1421 Harvard CITY: Houston

ARCHITECT/BUILDER Wm. A. Wilson-builder UTM: \_\_\_\_\_  
OWNER: Harold B. Elsom DATE: 1905 PERIOD: \_\_\_\_\_

1403 Del Norte Houston, TX 77018 STYLE: \_\_\_\_\_  
THEME: \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION: Queen Anne cottage, frame, 1-story, high hip roof with large, center gable with pair of windows, attached porch supported by Ionic 3/4 -columns on battered, wooden pedestals with square balusters, single door with transom, windows 1/1, 2 interior brick chimneys.

BUILDING MATERIAL: wall: \_\_\_\_\_ roof: \_\_\_\_\_  
PHYSICAL CONDITION excellent-significant SITE: original or moved \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_

ALTERATIONS: \_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNIFICANCE: Detailed, but simple type of house common to Heights. Was probably built by Wm. Wilson, an investor who was very active in the development of the area.

AREA OF SIGNIFICANCE: \_\_\_\_\_ LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE: \_\_\_\_\_

DESIGNATION: NR NHL RTHL HABS HAER HESI HSI OTHER: \_\_\_\_\_

ORIGINAL USE: residence PRESENT USE: residence-rental property  
RELATIONSHIP TO SURROUNDINGS: nice, small yard in middle of the block, with one (cont  
ACREAGE/BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: \_\_\_\_\_

BIBLIOGRAPHIC DATA: \_\_\_\_\_

SEE INFO/CORRESPONDENCE FILES: \_\_\_\_\_

RECORDED BY: KLL INFORMANT: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: 4/15/80 PHOTO DATA: 1 - 35mm  
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Site No. 21

NAME House at ... COUNTY Harris BLOCK 157  
 ADDRESS 1421 Harvard St. CITY Houston LOT 7  
 UTM Zone 15 E 268,330 M 3.298.480  
 ARCHITECT/BUILDER William A. Wilson DATE 1905 PERIOD 1900--  
 OWNER Layton and Lisa Payne STYLE Colonial Revival  
1421 Harvard, Houston, Texas 77008 THEME

DESCRIPTION Frame one-story cottage; high hipped roof with large, central gable with pair of windows; attached porch supported by Ionic, three-quarter columns on battered, wooden pedestals with square balusters between; single door with transom; windows with one-over-one lights; two interior brick chimneys.

Building material: wallframe/clapboard roof composition

Physical condition excellent-significant site: original X or moved      date     

Alterations none

SIGNIFICANCE Detailed, but simple type of house common to Heights. Was probably built by William A. Wilson, an investor who was very active in the development of the area.

Area of significance architecture Level of significance local

DESIGNATION: NR NHL RTHL HABS HAER HESI HSI OTHER

ORIGINAL USE residence PRESENT USE rental residence

RELATIONSHIP TO SURROUNDINGS Small yard in middle of the block, with one small tree; well-kept residential surroundings.

ACREAGE/BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION less than one acre

BIBLIOGRAPHY

RECORDED BY K. L. London

INFORMANT

DATE April 15, 1980

PHOTO DATA 1 - 35 mm., Tex. Hist. Commission



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Multiple Resource Area  
Thematic Group

Name Houston Heights Multiple Resource Area  
State Texas

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

- 31. House at 1304 Cortlandt Street  
Entered in the National Register  
 Keeper *for* Delores Byers 5-14-83  
 Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 32. House at 1323 Heights Boulevard  
Substantive Review  
 Keeper Return S  
 Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 33. House at 1343 Allston Street  
Entered in the National Register  
 Keeper *for* Delores Byers 6/22/83  
 Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 34. House at 1421 Harvard St.  
Entered in the National Register  
 Keeper *for* Delores Byers 6/22/83  
 Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 35. House at 1421 Heights Boulevard  
Entered in the National Register  
 Keeper *for* Delores Byers 6/22/83  
 Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 36. House at 1421-1423 Waverly Street  
Entered in the National Register  
 Keeper *for* Delores Byers 6/22/83  
 Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 37. House at 1437 Waverly Street  
Entered in the National Register  
 Keeper *for* Delores Byers 6/22/83  
 Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 38. House at 1437 Heights Boulevard  
Entered in the National Register  
 Keeper *for* Delores Byers 6/22/83  
 Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 39. House at 1443 Allston Street  
Entered in the National Register  
 Keeper *for* Delores Byers 6/22/83  
 Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 40. House at 1509 Allston Street  
Entered in the National Register  
 Keeper *for* Delores Byers 6/22/83  
 Attest \_\_\_\_\_



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House at 1421 Harvard St. (Houston Heights  
MRA)  
Harris County  
TEXAS

Working No. MAY 9 1983

Fed. Reg. Date: 2-7-84

Date Due: 6/9/83 - 6/23/83

Action:  ACCEPT 6/22/83  
 RETURN  
 REJECT

Entered in the  
National Register

Federal Agency:

- 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





1421 Harvard

Houston Heights

Site No. 21, 1421 Harvard

Houston, Texas 77008

Photo: K.L. London, April 15, 1980

On file, Texas Historical Commission

Front facade, looking west

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000847