

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 of eligibility for individual properties or districts. See instructions in *Guidelines for Completing National Register Forms* (National Register Bulletin 16). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the requested information. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, styles, materials, and areas of significance, enter only the categories and subcategories listed in the instructions. For additional space use continuation sheets (Form 10-900a). Type all entries.

### 1. Name of Property

historic name Northwest #1 Boundary Marker of the Original District of Columbia  
other names/site number NW1, Jurisdiction Stone  
DHR File 00-22

### 2. Location

street & number 3607 Powhatan Street N/A not for publication  
city, town Arlington N/A vicinity  
state Virginia code VA county Arlington code 013 zip code 22213

### 3. Classification

Ownership of Property	Category of Property	Number of Resources within Property	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> building(s)	Contributing	Noncontributing
<input type="checkbox"/> public-local	<input type="checkbox"/> district	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> public-State	<input type="checkbox"/> site	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u> sites
<input type="checkbox"/> public-Federal	<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u> structures
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> object	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u> objects
		<u>2</u>	<u>0</u> Total

Name of related multiple property listing: Boundary Markers of the Original District of Columbia  
Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register N/A

### 4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, 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.  See continuation sheet.

Hugh C. Miller 19 Dec 1990  
Signature of certifying official Date  
Director, Virginia Department of Historic Resources  
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property  meets  does not meet the National Register criteria.  See continuation sheet.

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Signature of commenting or other official Date  
\_\_\_\_\_  
State or Federal agency and bureau

### 5. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby, certify that this 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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Action

**6. Function or Use**

Historic Functions (enter categories from instructions)

Other: boundary marker

Current Functions (enter categories from instructions)

Other: boundary marker

**7. Description**

Architectural Classification

(enter categories from instructions)

N/A

Materials (enter categories from instructions)

foundation N/A

walls N/A

roof N/A

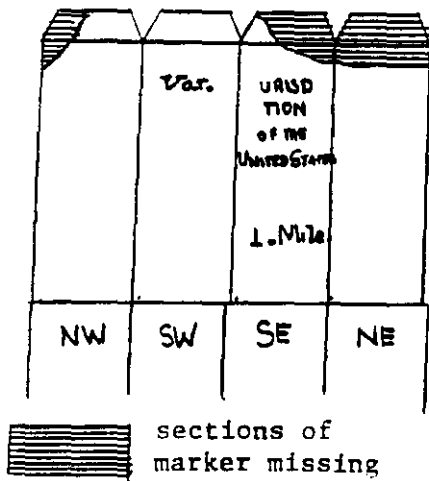
other Stone: sandstone

Metal: iron

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

**NORTHWEST NO. 1 MILE MARKER**

Visible Parts of Inscription



The historical physical appearance is delineated in the Multiple Property Documentation Form for the Boundary Markers of the Original District of Columbia in Section F, Item II, Description.

Located in the rear sideyard of a private residence at 3607 Powhatan Street, Arlington, Virginia, the Northwest No. 1 Mile Marker of Aquia sandstone is approximately 200' from the street, up a driveway and onto a wooded hillside. Barely visible from the road, the stone is in a protected wooded environment cleared of underbrush. The owner's son is temporarily in residence and has two dogs

penned behind a partially stockaded and electrified fence, approximately 3' from the southeast side of the fence surrounding the marker. Fairly well maintained, the 11" X 11" X 27 1/2" stone is partially sheared off at an angle on the northeast side approximately 11" on the lower left side to upper right corner. Placed 1 November 1916, the wrought iron fence, slightly rusty in spots, is painted dark green. A bronze plaque reads: ORIGINAL FEDERAL BOUNDARY STONE/ DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA/ PLACED 1791-1792/ PROTECTED BY RICHARD ARNOLD CHAPTER/ DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION/ 1916. The property is owned by Mrs. Dorothy R. Hall, who gave permission to enter her property for this survey. The stone was surveyed 7 October 1989, by Mrs. Donald F. Mayer, Freedom Hill Chapter, VADAR, in McLean, Virginia.

**8. Statement of Significance**

Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties:

nationally     statewide     locally

Applicable National Register Criteria     A     B     C     D

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions)     A     B     C     D     E     F     G

Areas of Significance (enter categories from instructions)

Community Planning and Development

Politics/Government

Period of Significance

1791-1916

Significant Dates

1791

1916

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Significant Person

N/A

Architect/Builder

Unknown

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

The significance of the Boundary Markers as a group is stated in the Multiple Property Documentation Form for the Boundary Markers of the original District of Columbia, Section F, Item III, Significance. The justification of criteria and areas and periods of significance are stated in the Multiple Property Documentation Form for the Boundary Markers of the original District of Columbia, Section E, Statement of Historic Contexts.

The Northwest # 1 marker is significant because it marked the first mile on the northwest side of the District of Columbia, one mile from the West Cornerstone.

It was noted in the 1894-97 survey that part of the top was broken off.

**ENDNOTE**

1. Marcus Baker, "The Boundary Monuments of the District of Columbia," Records of the Columbia Historical Society, Vol. 1 (1897): 221.

See continuation sheet

**9. Major Bibliographical References**

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # \_\_\_\_\_
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # \_\_\_\_\_

See continuation sheet

Primary location of additional data:

- State historic preservation office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Specify repository: \_\_\_\_\_

**10. Geographical Data**

Acreage of property Less than one acre.

UTM References

A 18 | 312390 | 4308080  
 Zone Easting Northing

C \_\_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_

B \_\_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_  
 Zone Easting Northing

D \_\_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_

See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

The nominated area is that boundary stone in its small fenced area, approximately 3' x 3'.

See continuation sheet

Boundary Justification

The boundary includes the stone and its fence.

See continuation sheet

**11. Form Prepared By**

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## National Register of Historic Places Continuation Sheet

Northwest #1 Boundary Marker of the Original District of Columbia

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    \*Photographs    

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The following information is the same for all the photographs listed:

Northwest #1 Boundary Marker of the Original District of Columbia  
Arlington, Virginia  
LeAnn F. Turbyfill  
1989  
Negative filed at VA State Library, Richmond, VA

1. View of stone and fence enclosure facing southwest  
Negative No.  
File No. 00-22  
Photo 1 of 2
  
2. View of stone in close up facing northwest  
Negative No.  
File No. 00-22  
Photo 2 of 2