

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
 INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM**

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Virginia	
COUNTY: Fairfax	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE

1. NAME

COMMON:
Woodlawn Plantation

AND/OR HISTORIC:
Woodlawn Plantation

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
.3 mi. N of Rt. 1, .4 mi. W of intersection with Rt. 235.

CITY OR TOWN:
Mount Vernon

STATE Virginia	CODE 45	COUNTY: Fairfax	CODE 059
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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	<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 type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input checked="" 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 checked="" 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) _____ _____ _____

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
National Trust for Historic Preservation

STREET AND NUMBER:
748 Jackson Place, N. W.

CITY OR TOWN: Washington	STATE: D. C.	CODE 08
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5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Fairfax County Clerk's Office

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: Fairfax	STATE: Virginia	CODE 45
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6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
Historic American Buildings Survey

DATE OF SURVEY: 1936, 1939, 1942 Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
Library of Congress

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: Washington	STATE: District of Columbia	CODE 08
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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

Woodlawn is a two-story brick mansion built in the late-eighteenth century form of a five-part plan with a central block, end pavilions and hyphens; the dairy and smokehouse are placed beyond the main unit, attached visually by walls. The facade of the main block is five-bays wide with a central cross gable, round headed arches over the central bay openings, and rectangular panels between the stories; the east front has a one-story entrance portico. The gable roof has jerkinheads and four interior end chimneys. The end pavilions are perpendicular to the main axis with oval lights in the gable ends and large, round-headed windows facing the valley on the east.

The plan features a central hall with a graceful curving stair and large well-proportioned rooms, some with imported marble mantels in the refined detailing of the period. The confinement of trim to door and window framings and cornice enhances the light and airy atmosphere.

Originally part of a two thousand acre estate, the property has been reduced to about 160 acres and is divided by United States Route 1. The house stands on a hill overlooking Dogue Creek; the site was chosen by Washington himself for its view of Mount Vernon and the Potomac.

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SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- Pre-Columbian | 16th Century | 18th Century | 20th Century
 15th Century | 17th Century | 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) **1800-1805**

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <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) <u>History</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | | | |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

George Washington presented Woodlawn Plantation to his ward Eleanor Parke Custis, granddaughter of Martha Washington, following her marriage in 1799 to his nephew Major Lawrence Lewis, son of Fielding and Betty (Washington) Lewis of Kenmore. The gift included two thousand acres of the Mount Vernon estate, a mill and a distillery. Washington's friend, Dr. William Thornton, designed the mansion which was erected between 1800-1805. The Lewis family maintained the property until the 1840's when it was sold to a group of Quakers from Philadelphia. The house passed through several hands before its acquisition by the National Trust for Historic Preservation in the 1950's.

In addition to its historical value, Woodlawn is significant for the fact that its architect was Dr. William Thornton, first architect of the United States Capitol as well as Tudor Place and the Octagon in Washington, D. C. Woodlawn has been marred somewhat by alterations to the wings, but the building remains as a nationally famous example of Federalist architecture.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Templeman, Eleanor Lee and Nan Netherton, Northern Virginia Heritage.
 Privately printed, 1966.
 "Woodlawn Plantation," pamphlet of the National Trust for Historic
 Preservation.
 "Woodlawn Plantation," American Landmarks Illustrated Program Series,
 available from the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

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	
NW	38 ° 43 ' 24 "	77 ° 08 ' 28 "				
NE	38 ° 43 ' 24 "	77 ° 07 ' 50 "				
SE	38 ° 42 ' 36 "	77 ° 07 ' 50 "				
SW	38 ° 42 ' 36 "	77 ° 08 ' 28 "				

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: **160 acres**

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Staff, Virginia Historic Landmarks Commission, James W. Moody, Jr., Director

ORGANIZATION: **Virginia Historic Landmarks Commission** DATE: **November 19, 1969**

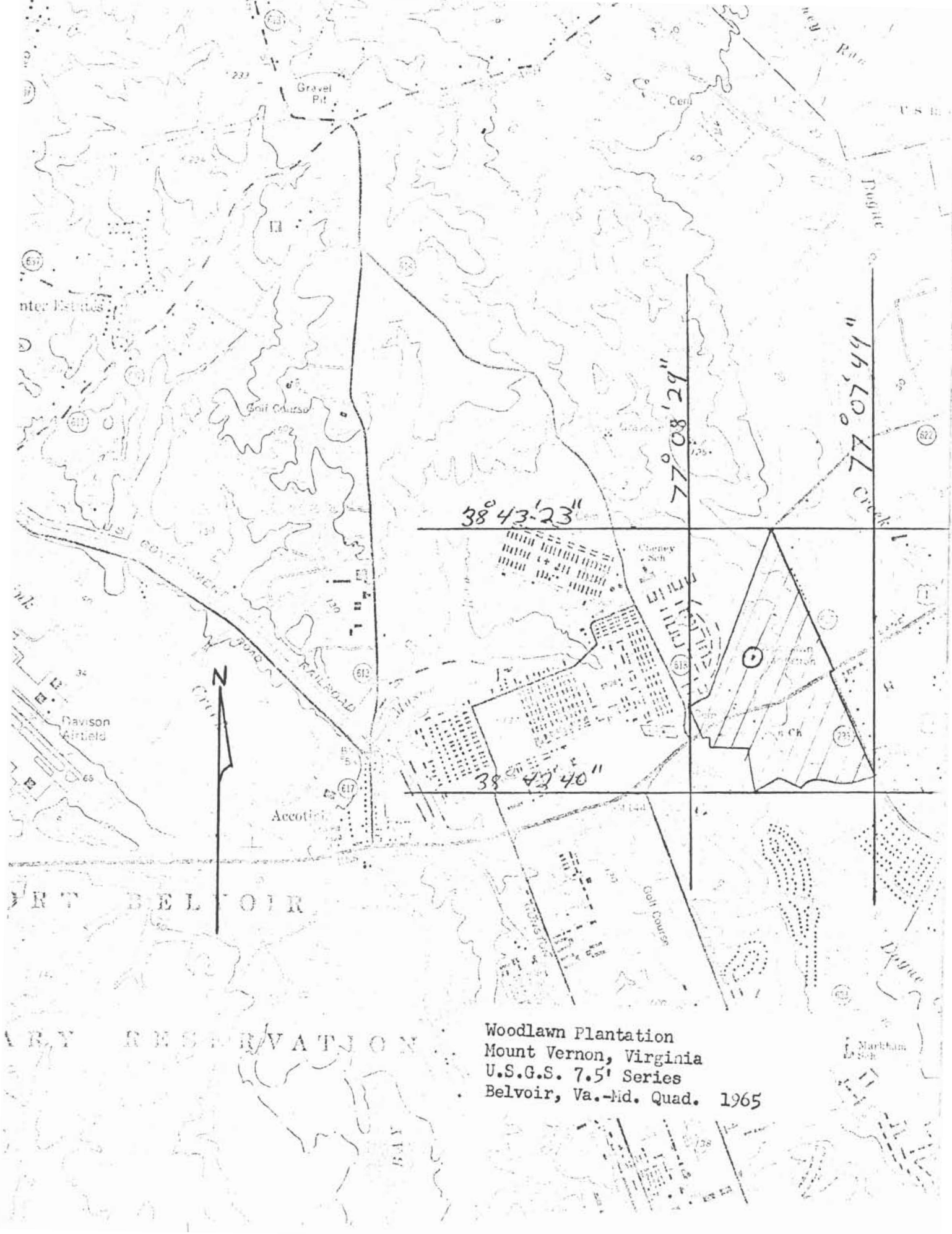
STREET AND NUMBER:
Room 1116, Ninth Street State Office Building

CITY OR TOWN: **Richmond** STATE: **Virginia** CODE: **45**

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

<p>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:</p> <p>National <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> Local <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Name _____</p> <p>Dr. Edward P. Alexander, Chairman</p> <p>Title Virginia Historic Landmarks Commission</p> <p>Date _____</p>	<p>I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.</p> <p>_____ <i>Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation</i></p> <p>Date _____</p> <p>ATTEST:</p> <p>_____ <i>Keeper of The National Register</i></p> <p>Date _____</p>
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Gravel Pit

77° 08' 29"

77° 07' 49"

38° 43' 23"

38° 43' 40"

Potomac River

U.S. H.

Center Estates

Sniff Course

Cheney Sch

Navison Airfield

Accotink

Golf Course

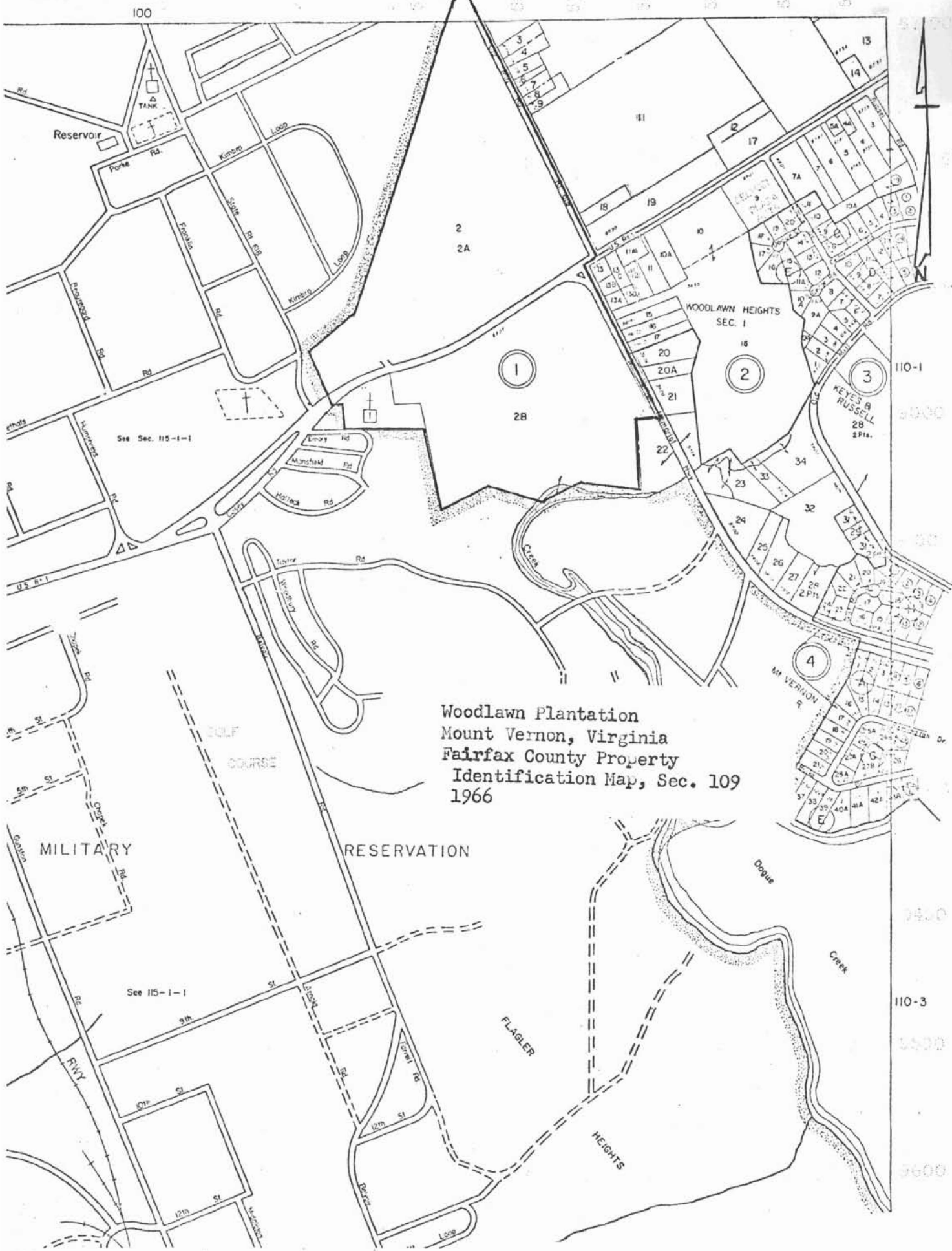
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MILITARY RESERVATION

Woodlawn Plantation
Mount Vernon, Virginia
U.S.G.S. 7.5' Series
Belvoir, Va.-Md. Quad. 1965

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Woodlawn Plantation
 Mount Vernon, Virginia
 Fairfax County Property
 Identification Map, Sec. 109
 1966