

STATE: Virginia	
COUNTY: Richmond (in cit.)	
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ENTRY NUMBER 69-06-45-0019	DATE 6-11-69

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

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(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

**1. NAME**

COMMON:  
Putney Houses

AND/OR HISTORIC:  
Samuel Putney House; Stephen Putney House

**2. LOCATION**

STREET AND NUMBER:  
1010, 1012 E. Marshall Street

CITY OR TOWN:  
Richmond

STATE: Virginia CODE: 45 COUNTY: (in cit.) CODE: 760

**3. CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP			STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
District <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/>	Occupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes:	
Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/>	Private <input type="checkbox"/>	In Process <input type="checkbox"/>	Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/>	Restricted <input type="checkbox"/>	
Object <input type="checkbox"/>	Both <input type="checkbox"/>	Being Considered <input type="checkbox"/>	Preservation work in progress <input type="checkbox"/>	Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
No: <input type="checkbox"/>					

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/>	Government <input type="checkbox"/>	Park <input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation <input type="checkbox"/>	Comments <input type="checkbox"/>
Commercial <input type="checkbox"/>	Industrial <input type="checkbox"/>	Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/>	Other (Specify) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Educational <input type="checkbox"/>	Military <input type="checkbox"/>	Religious <input type="checkbox"/>	Offices <input type="checkbox"/>	
Entertainment <input type="checkbox"/>	Museum <input type="checkbox"/>	Scientific <input type="checkbox"/>		

**4. OWNER OF PROPERTY**

OWNERS NAME:  
City of Richmond

STREET AND NUMBER:  
Richmond

CITY OR TOWN: Richmond STATE: Virginia CODE: 45

**5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC:  
Chancery Court

STREET AND NUMBER:  
Richmond City Hall

CITY OR TOWN: Richmond STATE: Virginia CODE: 45

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 1/10 acre

**6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE OF SURVEY:  
Historic American Buildings Survey Inventory

DATE OF SURVEY: 1957 Federal  State  County  Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:  
Library of Congress

STREET AND NUMBER:  
Washington

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

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**7. DESCRIPTION**

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

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Samuel Putney House at 1010 E. Marshall Street is a three-story, three-bay Italianate townhouse with rich architectural decoration. Its scored stuccoed facade is crowned by an entablature with an unusual frieze containing panels and roundels. All of the facade windows are topped by semi-circular lintels supported on pilasters. The chief exterior feature of the house is the delicate cast iron, one-story porch across the first story. Many of the original interior features have been altered but the side hall plan survives.

Although not as elaborate as its next door neighbor, the Stephen Putney House at 1012 E. Marshall Street is, nonetheless, a fine example of its period. The three-story, three-bay stuccoed facade is crowned by a bracketed cornice. The windows have plain lintels, but the off-center front door has a richly carved entablature. The most important feature of the Stephen Putney House is the magnificent two-story veranda of ornamental iron on the east side. Much of the original interior of this house survives including its marble mantels and Victorian cornices.

Both Putney Houses have extensive rear ells.

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**3. 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)**      1859

**AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)**

Aberiginal	<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/Phi-		Other (Specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Historic	<input type="checkbox"/>	Industry	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	losophy	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
Agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/>	Invention	<input type="checkbox"/>	Science	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
Art	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Landscape	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sculpture	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
Commerce	<input type="checkbox"/>	Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/>	Social/Human-		_____	
Communications	<input type="checkbox"/>	Literature	<input type="checkbox"/>	itarian	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
Conservation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Military	<input type="checkbox"/>	Theater	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
		Music	<input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	

**STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Include Personages, Dates, Events, Etc.)**

Built in 1859 by Samuel Ayres, the two houses at 1010 and 1012 E. Marshall Street were owned and resided in, from 1862 until 1894, by Samuel and Stephen Putney, father and son who were engaged in the shoe manufacturing business. The local townhouses are particularly noteworthy for their ornamental ironwork, a product of the local Phoenix Iron Works. The two-story veranda on the Stephen Putney House is unique in Richmond, and an outstanding example of its type.

Both houses are fine examples of an ante-bellum style once common in Richmond. Their location directly behind the Valentine Museum helps to maintain the historic quality and domestic scale of this important block.

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**9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Scott, Mary Wingfield, Houses of Old Richmond, Richmond, 1941.  
 \_\_\_\_\_, Old Richmond Neighborhoods, Richmond: Whittet and Shepperson, 1950.  
 Dulaney, Paul S., The Architecture of Historic Richmond, the University Press of Virginia, 1968.

**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 ONE ACRE							
CORNER	LATITUDE				LONGITUDE			LATITUDE			LONGITUDE	
	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds
NW	°	'	"	°	'	"	37°	22'	26"	77°	25'	54"
NE	°	'	"	°	'	"						
SE	°	'	"	°	'	"						
SW	°	'	"	°	'	"						

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: April 23, 1969

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

CITY OR TOWN: Richmond

STATE: Virginia

CODE: 45

**12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION**

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 Edw. P. Alexander, Jr.  
 Dr. Edward P. Alexander, Chairman  
 Title Virginia Historic Landmarks Comm.

Date May 20, 1969

**NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION**

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

Ernest Allen Connally  
 Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

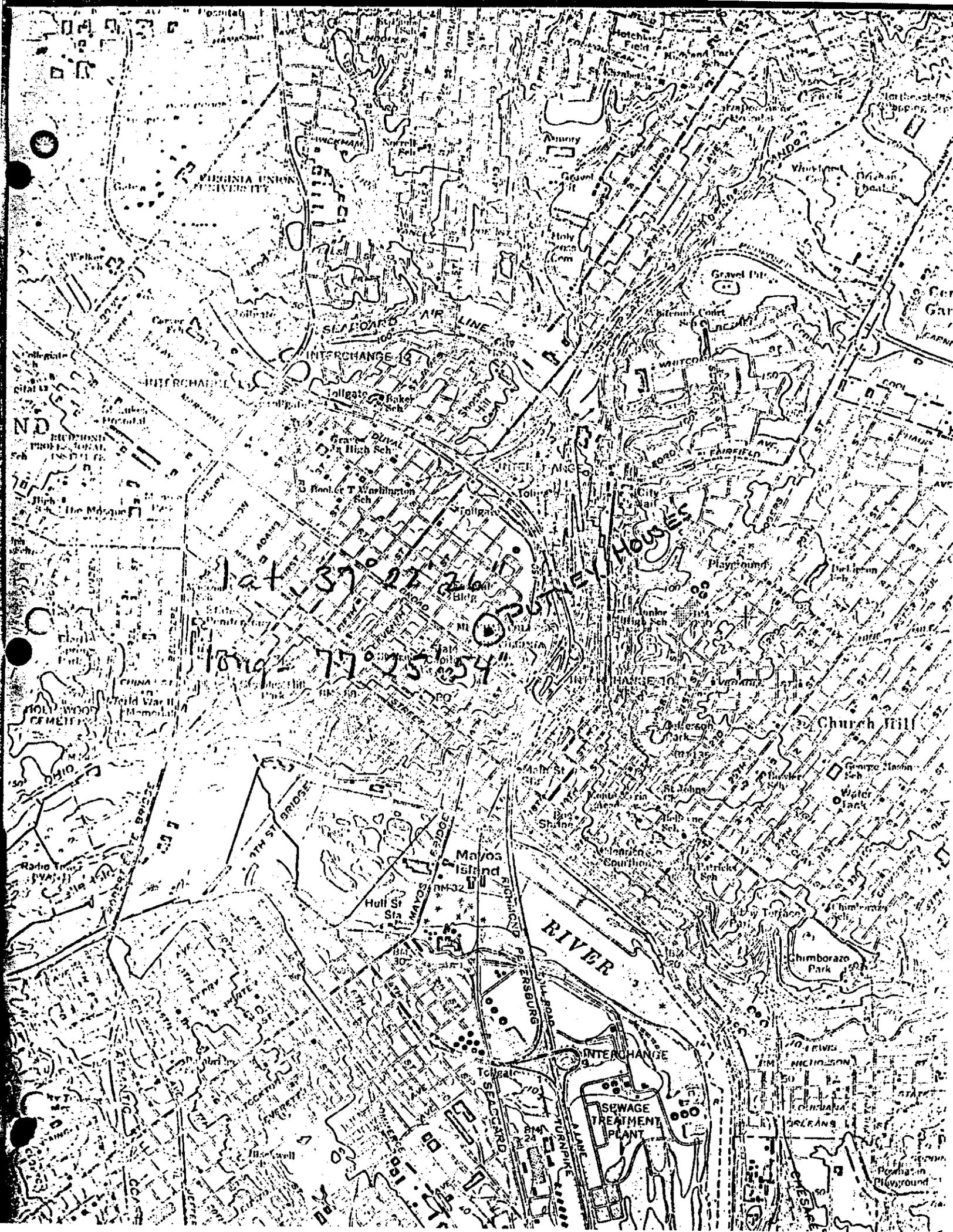
Date Jun. 11, 1969

ATTEST:

William J. Murtagh  
 Keeper of The National Register

Date Jun. 11, 1969

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Lat 37° 27' 26"  
Long 77° 25' 54"

Howes

RIVER

SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT

Church Hill

Mayo's Island

VIRGINIA UNION UNIVERSITY

STARBOARD AIR LINE INTERCHANGE 13

INTERCHANGE

MCKINSON

ORLEANS

Playground