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Form 10-360  
(July 1967)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE:	Virginia
COUNTY:	James City
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE
	NOV 12 1971

1. NAME

COMMON:  
Pinewoods

AND/OR HISTORIC:  
Werburton House

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:  
.4 mi. N of Rt. 613, 1.4 mi. SW of intersection with Rt. 614.

CITY OR TOWN:  
(Lightfoot vic.)

STATE	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
Virginia	51	James City	095

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 type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input checked="" 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"/> 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) Clubhouse	
<input type="checkbox"/> Educational	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Religious		
<input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Scientific		

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:  
Mrs. John Gregory Warburton

STREET AND NUMBER:  
P. O. Box 225

CITY OR TOWN:  
Williamsburg

STATE:	CODE
Virginia	51

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC:  
James City County Court House

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:  
Williamsburg

STATE	CODE
Virginia	51

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:  
Historic American Buildings Survey

DATE OF SURVEY: 1940  Federal  State  County  Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:  
Library of Congress

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:  
Washington

STATE:	CODE
D. C.	11

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STATE: Virginia

COUNTY: James City

ENTRY NUMBER: NOV 12 1971

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6. Historic American Buildings Survey Inventory  
1958 Federal  
Library of Congress  
Washington, D. C. Code: 11

7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input checked="" 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

The Warburton House is a typical Virginia planter's house of the late seventeenth century. Regrettably, because of fire, only the brick portions of this simple one-and-a-half story dwelling are original. Although recently obscured by a coat of gray paint, the walls remain a fine example of early-colonial brickwork. They are laid in Flemish bond with glazed headers above the beveled water table, and in English bond below. All of the openings are topped by deep segmental arches with alternating glazed and rubbed voussoir bricks. Fortunately, the structure's two very fine T-shaped chimney stacks are in good condition and have not been painted. The stacks are unusual in that they are set back slightly from the plane of their respective end walls, to form a beveled ridge near the roofline. Such treatment is frequently observed on houses of comparable style in England, but it is rare in America. The stacks are given further decoration through the placing of glazed headers at the principal corners, and by the use of a hound's-tooth course at the base of each cap.

Although hidden behind a long screened-in porch, the entrance front of the Warburton House is symmetrically arranged, having a window on either side of a centered front door. The rear elevation is likewise obscured by a later porch, as well as a modern frame rear ell, but the bay arrangement, unlike that of the front, is asymmetrical having one window near the eastern corner and two widely spaced doors. On both ends of the house a pair of original very small segmental arched windows have been bricked in, but two even smaller windows have been cut in the second floor level of the east end at a later date.

The changes and additions noted above prevent the Warburton House from conveying much impression of antiquity; however, what original fabric remains is well preserved and maintained, and has not been significantly disfigured by the later additions. The house stands in a small isolated clearing at the end of a wooded lane of about a half mile in length from the county road.

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**3 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> 17th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 19th Century	

**SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)**

**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 type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian	_____
<input 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**

Because of the destruction of the James City County records, little is known of the early history of Pinewoods. It is believed that the house was built by a Warburton, and it is known that Thomas Warburton patented 200 acres in James City County on 1 February 1664. The property is still owned by the Warburton family and survives as a typical example of a Virginia planters' house of the late seventeenth century.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Forman, Henry Chandlee, Architecture of the Old South; The Medieval Style, 1585-1850, New York: 1948.  
The Restoration of Colonial Williamsburg in Virginia, reprinted from The Architectural Record, December 1935 issue.

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
NW	37°	16'	49"	76°	49'	51"			
NE	37°	16'	49"	76°	49'	02"			
SE	37°	16'	05"	76°	49'	02"			
SW	37°	16'	05"	76°	49'	51"			

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 260 acres

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:  
Staff, Virginia Historic Landmarks Commission, James W. Moody, Jr., Director  
 ORGANIZATION: Virginia Historic Landmarks Commission DATE: October 6, 1970  
 STREET AND NUMBER:  
Room 1116, Ninth Street Office Building  
 CITY OR TOWN: Richmond STATE: Virginia CODE: 51

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.

Title Dr. Edward P. Alexander, Chairman Virginia Historic Landmarks Commission

Date Oct. 6, 1970

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

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

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Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

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Date

ATTEST: NOV 12 1971

Keeper of The National Register

Date NOV 12 1971

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