

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 Southwest #3 Boundary Marker of the Original District of Columbia
 other names/site number SW3, Jurisdiction Stone
DHR File 00-22

2. Location

street & number 2952 King Street N/A not for publication
 city, town Alexandria N/A vicinity
 state Virginia code VA county Alexandria City code 510 zip code 22302

3. Classification

Ownership of Property <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private <input type="checkbox"/> public-local <input type="checkbox"/> public-State <input type="checkbox"/> public-Federal	Category of Property <input type="checkbox"/> building(s) <input type="checkbox"/> district <input type="checkbox"/> site <input type="checkbox"/> structure <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> object	Number of Resources within Property <table border="0"> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Contributing</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Noncontributing</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;"><u>0</u></td> <td style="text-align: center;"><u>0</u> buildings</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;"><u>0</u></td> <td style="text-align: center;"><u>0</u> sites</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;"><u>1</u></td> <td style="text-align: center;"><u>0</u> structures</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;"><u>1</u></td> <td style="text-align: center;"><u>0</u> objects</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;"><u>2</u></td> <td style="text-align: center;"><u>0</u> Total</td> </tr> </table>	Contributing	Noncontributing	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u> buildings	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u> sites	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u> structures	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u> objects	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u> Total
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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.

[Signature] 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.

 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

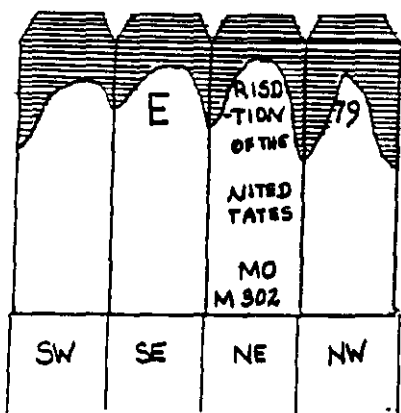
other Stone: sandstone

Metal: iron

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

SOUTHWEST NO. 3 MILE MARKER

Visible Parts of Inscription



sections of marker missing

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 at the north end of the parking lot of the First Baptist Church, 2932 King Street, in the city of Alexandria, Virginia, Southwest No. 3 Mile Marker is physically located among the painted parking places. This is the first stone in Virginia to be placed at other than equal miles. Since the end of the mile was in a ravine this marker is located slightly less than three miles from the South Corner.¹ The top and edges are

chipped and consequently some of the original inscription is missing. Part of it reads M 302p to indicate 2 miles 302 poles.² The current measurements are 12" X 11" X 19". Placed 23 June 1917, the 3' X 3' X 5'4" wrought iron fence is painted silver. There is no plaque. The property is owned by the First Baptist Church, whose trustees gave permission for the current survey. The stone was surveyed 25 October 1989, by Mrs. Martin P. Fish of Captain John Smith Chapter, VADAR, in Arlington, VA.

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
1791-1917

Significant Dates
1791
1917

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 Southwest # 3 marker is significant because it marked the third mile on the southwest side of the District of Columbia, three miles from the South Cornerstone at Jones Point.

This marker was the first marker placed at other than equal miles from the other markers. The end of the mile would have ended in a ravine, so it was placed on higher ground, less than three miles from the South Cornerstone.¹ The inscription was listed as 2 miles 302p, which means it was placed 2 miles and 302 poles or rods from the South Cornerstone.²

ENDNOTES

1. Fred E. Woodward, "With A Camera Over The Old District Boundary Lines," Records of the Columbia Historical Society, Vol. 11 (1908): 7.

2. Marcus Baker, "The Boundary Monuments of the District of Columbia," Records of the Columbia Historical Society, Vol. 1 (1897): 220.

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

Acreeage of property Less than one acre.

UTM References

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Zone Easting Northing

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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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 *Photographs

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

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City of Alexandria, Virginia
Rufus W. Shivers
1989
Negative filed at VA State Library, Richmond, VA

1. View of stone and fence enclosure facing southwest
Negative No. 10701/15
File No. 00-22
Photo 1 of 2

2. View of southeast side of stone showing E, the magnetic
compass reading
Negative No. 10701/13
File No. 00-22
Photo 2 of 2