

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).

1. Name of Property

historic name Southwest #5 Boundary Marker of the Original District of Columbia other names/site number SW5, Jurisdiction Stone DHR File 00-22

2. Location

street & number Northeast of King St. & Walter Reed Dr. intersection city, town Arlington state Virginia code VA county Arlington code 013 zip code 22206 Alexandria City 510

3. Classification

Table with 3 columns: Ownership of Property, Category of Property, and Number of Resources within Property. Includes checkboxes for private, public-local, public-State, public-Federal, building(s), district, site, structure, object, and counts for contributing/noncontributing resources.

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 of certifying official: [Signature] Date: 19 Dec 1995 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

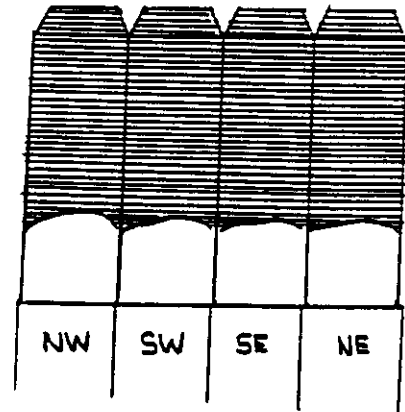
other Stone: sandstone

Metal: iron

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

SOUTHWEST NO. 5 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 among hardwood trees on flat ground twenty feet north of Walter Reed Drive on the boundary between Arlington County and the city of Alexandria, Virginia, the Southwest No. 5 Mile Marker of Aquia sandstone is behind a house at 5040 25th Street South, Arlington, Virginia. Located at one time in a valley near the east bank of a creek on the north side of Leesburg Pike (Route 7),¹ it was

moved to its present location due to regrading of Route 7, approximately 44.90' from its original position.² It is broken off approximately one foot from the ground. Placed 6 November 1921, the 3' X 3' X 5'8" wrought iron fence is painted white with some rust spots visible. The bronze plaque reads: THE ORIGINAL/ FEDERAL BOUNDARY/ STONE 1921-1952/ DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA/ 1791-1792/ PLACED, PROTECTED KEYSTONE CHAPTER/ DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION. The property is jointly owned by Arlington County and the city of Alexandria, VA. This stone was surveyed 28 October 1989 by Miss Cheryl Brown of the Falls of the Rappahannock Chapter, VADAR, in Fredericksburg, 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

1791-1921

Significant Dates

1791

1921

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 # 5 marker is significant because it marked the fifth mile on the southwest side of the District of Columbia, five miles from the South Cornerstone at Jones Point.

In the early surveys of 1894-97¹ and 1906², the entire top of this stone was missing, and remains missing today. It was moved approximately 44.90' from its original location.³

Criteria Consideration B is applied because the marker has been relocated. It is exceptional, however, because it is an integral component of this important group of rare surviving resources.

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

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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'.

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Boundary Justification

The boundary includes the stone and its fence.

See continuation sheet

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Southwest #5 Boundary Marker of the Original District of Columbia
Arlington County, Virginia
City of Alexandria, Virginia
Rufus W. Shivers
1989
Negative filed at VA State Library, Richmond, VA
View of stone and fence enclosure facing northwest
Negative No. 10702/14
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