

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

HISTORIC PRESERVATION CERTIFICATION APPLICATION
PART 1 — EVALUATION OF SIGNIFICANCE

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NRIS No:

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Project No:

Instructions: Read the instructions carefully before completing application. No certification will be made unless a completed application form has been received. Type or print clearly in black ink. If additional space is needed, use continuation sheets or attach blank sheets.

1. Name of property: Wilkinson House
Address of property: Street 6 Legare Street
City Charleston County Charleston State SC Zip 29401
Name of historic district: Old & Historic District of Charleston, SC
☒ National Register district ☐ certified state or local district ☐ potential historic district

2. Check nature of request:

- ☒ certification that the building contributes to the significance of the above-named historic district (or National Register property) for the purpose of rehabilitation.
☒ certification that the structure or building and, where appropriate, the land area on which such a structure or building is located contributes to the significance of the above-named historic district for a charitable contribution for conservation purposes.
☐ certification that the building does not contribute to the significance of the above-named district.
☐ preliminary determination for individual listing in the National Register.
☐ preliminary determination that a building located within a potential historic district contributes to the significance of the district.
☐ preliminary determination that a building outside the period or area of significance contributes to the significance of the district.

3. Project contact:

Name Jonathan H. Poston, Director of Preservation, Historic Charleston Foundation
Street 40 East Bay Street City Charleston
State SC Zip 29401 Daytime Telephone Number (803) 720-1186

4. Owner:

I hereby attest that the information I have provided is, to the best of my knowledge, correct, and that I own the property described above. I understand that falsification of factual representations in this application is subject to criminal sanctions of up to \$10,000 in fines or imprisonment for up to five years pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 1001.

Name Mrs. Shannon Ravenel Signature Shannon Ravenel Date 2/27/97
Organization _____

Social Security or Taxpayer Identification Number [REDACTED]
Street 6 Legare Street City Charleston
State SC Zip 29401 Daytime Telephone Number (803) 723-7530

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The National Park Service has reviewed the "Historic Preservation Certification Application — Part 1" for the above-named property and hereby determines that the property:

- ☐ contributes to the significance of the above-named district (or National Register property) and is a "certified historic structure" for the purpose of rehabilitation.
☐ contributes to the significance of the above-named district and is a "certified historic structure" for a charitable contribution for conservation purposes in accordance with the Tax Treatment Extension Act of 1980.
☐ does not contribute to the significance of the above-named district.

Preliminary Determinations:

- ☐ appears to meet the National Register Criteria for Evaluation and will likely be listed in the National Register of Historic Places if nominated by the State Historic Preservation Officer according to the procedures set forth in 36 CFR Part 60.
☐ does not appear to meet the National Register Criteria for Evaluation and will likely not be listed in the National Register.
☐ appears to contribute to the significance of a potential historic district, which will likely be listed in the National Register of Historic Places if nominated by the State Historic Preservation Officer.
☐ appears to contribute to the significance of a registered historic district but is outside the period or area of significance as documented in the National Register nomination or district documentation on file with the NPS.
☐ does not appear to qualify as a certified historic structure.

Date _____ National Park Service Authorized Signature _____ National Park Service Office/Telephone No: _____

☐ See Attachments

Wilkinson House

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6 Legare Street, Charleston, SC

Property Address

Project Number:

5. Description of physical appearance:

(see attached)

Date of Construction: c. 1885 Source of Date: Charleston Co. RMC Deed Books, Ward Books

Date(s) of Alteration(s): c. 1900

Has building been moved? ☐ yes ☒ no. If so, when? _____

6. Statement of significance:

(see attached)

7. Photographs and maps.

Attach photographs and maps to application.

Continuation sheets attached: ☒ yes ☐ no

CONTINUATION/AMENDMENT SHEET

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Instructions. Read the instructions carefully before completing. Type, or print clearly in black ink. Use this sheet to continue sections of the Part 1 and Part 2 application, or to amend an application already submitted. Photocopy additional sheets as needed.

This sheet: ☒ continues Part 1 ☐ continues Part 2 ☐ amends Part 1 ☐ amends Part 2 NPS Project Number: _____

5. Description of physical appearance:

The house at 6 Legare Street is part of Charleston's Old and Historic District—the first such district ever created. This building serves as an example of a late Greek revival style residence constructed shortly after the Civil War. On the exterior, the house reflects the traditional and distinctive style of a modified Charleston single house. It has a side-hall plan with Charleston double tiered piazzas. It is individualized by a non-standard room arrangement and the possible incorporation of an older outbuilding.

In 1777, George Kincaid and his partners Robert Mackenzie, Edward Blake, and William Gibbes walled and filled in the marshland where the building at 6 Legare Street now stands. The double tenement at 4 Legare Street and 26 Lamboll Street was constructed at this time by Kincaid and the lot of land to the north where 6 Legare Street was later built remained an undeveloped section of the tenement property. The property changed hands several times over the next century. In 1879, James W. , and Sarah E. Wilkinson purchased the Legare/Lamboll tenement property, and one year later sold the northern portion to Willis Wilkinson. Around 1885 he built the house that is now 6 Legare Street. It is likely that he created this structure by adding to a pre-existing outbuilding. Around the turn of the century a two-story addition was added to the southeast end of the building. The house retains a high degree of integrity and was rated "Category 3, Significant" in the Feiss-Wright Architectural Inventory of Charleston.

Name Mrs. Shannon Ravenel

Signature

Shannon B. Ravenel

Date

2/27/97

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- ☐ The National Park Service has determined that these project amendments meet the Secretary of the Interior's "Standards for Rehabilitation."
- ☐ The National Park Service has determined that these project amendments will meet the Secretary of the Interior's "Standards for Rehabilitation" if the attached conditions are met.
- ☐ The National Park Service has determined that these project amendments do not meet the Secretary of the Interior's "Standards for Rehabilitation."

Date

National Park Service Authorized Signature

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6. Description of physical appearance continuation:

This three-story, flat roofed, rectangular structure gives the overall appearance of being a modified Charleston single-house with a two-story piazza. The late Greek Revival style house, which was constructed shortly after the Civil War, has a stuccoed brick ground floor and weatherboard-clad upper floors. The building has a three-bay west elevation and a non-standard room arrangement. The street entrance directly into the main house with an Italianate-style doorway may be original and a side-hall passage plan with the staircase located in the hall passage. This staircase features a mid-nineteenth century newel, rail, and balustrade. The piazza has two entranceways through large windows instead of the standard central entrance. It appears that this building might incorporate an older two-story kitchen outbuilding in the rear section. Evidence of this incorporation can be seen in the small section of roofing which protrudes on the north rear section. A service stair in this section also gives evidence of an earlier construction period. The first floor has paneled wainscoting and simple mantels typical of the second half of the 19th Century. Similar mantels are also present on the upper floors. Throughout the house are original pine floors.

Around the turn of the century, a five-sided two-story addition was added to the southeast end of the house. During this century, a small one story garage was also built.