

# LANDMARK



# SURVEY

## IDENTIFICATION

Street Address: 307 Market Street  
 Map and Parcel: 33-216  
 Census Tract & Block: 1-110  
 Present Owner: VHM Company  
 Address: c/o V. Marshall, 307 Market St.  
 Present Use: Offices  
 Original Owner: Dr. John C. Hughes  
 Original Use: Residence and Doctor's Office

## BASE DATA

Historic Name: Dr. John C. Hughes House  
 Date/Period: cir. 1853-54  
 Style: Greek Revival  
 Height to Cornice:  
 Height in Stories: 2  
 Present Zoning: B-3  
 Land Area (sq.ft.): 87 x 111  
 Assessed Value (land + imp.): 20,010 + 1800 = 21,810

## ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

This structure is an important example of the Greek revival style and one of the finest remaining "Pilastered" residence in the city. It is three bays wide, two stories high above a high basement. The center axis is emphasized by a graceful two story entrance porch with coupled Ionic columns. Originally, entrance to the main floor was gained by a pair of curving stairs which are no longer extant. The other exterior features are restrained yet elegant; i.e. the plain cornice, paneled spandrels, hipped tin roof and typical doors with side lights and rectangular transoms. The interior is based on the single pile plan with a rear wing with the kitchen in the basement. All of the fine Greek Revival mantels remain and the other woodwork (stairs and architraves) is largely original.

## HISTORICAL DESCRIPTION

On March 18, 1853, John Hughes bought the lot from Sally Ragland for \$2,700, the title including what is now 211 Fourth Street. The existing house dates from this period. Hughes died in 1866 leaving an estate of \$16,302. In 1873 the house was sold to Dr. William Cecil Dabney of the Dunlora family. During the Dabney occupancy the western 55 feet of the site was sold off. The next time the property was sold was in 1917 to F. E. Neve, who in turn sold it to the Blue Ridge Club five years later. In 1941 the Club sold the property, which after passing through several hands, is now owned by Dr. Virgil Marshall.

## GRAPHICS

## CONDITIONS

Good

## SOURCES

The Dr. John C. Hughes House; Its History, Design, and Architectural Sources. 1973  
 Unpublished UVA Graduate Report, T. Mozingo.  
 County Records







No. 307 MARKET ST.  
Name HOCHES HOOSE  
Order 33 - 216  
Remarks  
Retouched  
Order Finished Aug 1974  
Reorder