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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Adams-Leslie-Wiggins House

BR0017

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Route 1, Box 81

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

Warren

X VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Fourth

STATE

Arkansas

CODE

05

COUNTY

Bradley

CODE

011

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

DISTRICT

X BUILDING(S)

STRUCTURE

SITE

OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

PUBLIC

X PRIVATE

BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

IN PROCESS

BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

X OCCUPIED

UNOCCUPIED

WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

X YES: RESTRICTED

YES: UNRESTRICTED

NO

PRESENT USE

AGRICULTURE

COMMERCIAL

EDUCATIONAL

ENTERTAINMENT

GOVERNMENT

INDUSTRIAL

MILITARY

MUSEUM

PARK

X PRIVATE RESIDENCE

RELIGIOUS

SCIENTIFIC

TRANSPORTATION

OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy B. Wiggins

STREET & NUMBER

Route 1, Box 81

CITY, TOWN

Warren

X VICINITY OF

STATE

Arkansas 71671

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Circuit Clerk's Office, Bradley County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

Courtsquare

CITY, TOWN

Warren

STATE

Arkansas 71671

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

EXCELLENT
 GOOD
 FAIR

DETERIORATED
 RUINS
 UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

UNALTERED
 ALTERED

CHECK ONE

ORIGINAL SITE
 MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Adams-Leslie-Wiggins Home, built in 1903, is a two-storey gabled structure. The home is basically rectangular in configuration with a projecting bay on the front (west) elevation and a shed addition on the rear. From the projecting bay to the southwestern corner is a two-storey porch. The lower roof, which has a round turn on the southwest corner, is detailed in bracketed turned posts, frieze board, and a simple ogee cornice. Above the cornice is a simple panelled area. The second storey porch is supported by turned and bracketed post and is linked by a straight-pieced balustrade. Corners are marked by pilasters. Gable ends are finished with vergeboards; they contain fish-scale shingles alternating with diamond-shaped shingles. Attic vents are Eastlake cuts. Each gable has a different vent design. The entrance door has a single glazed panel. Windows and doors are faced in wide butt-jointed boards. They are asymmetrical in arrangement. Exterior walls are finished in narrow weatherboard. Windows are aluminum. The original ell-shaped rear porch has been enclosed, and a shed addition has been added.

The interior has a central hall from which a stair leads to the upstairs. The stair has plain balustrades and a turned newel post. The wainscot in the entrance hall is half-round bead. Each of the four downstairs rooms which open onto the hall have beaded-ceiling wainscots. Windows have butt-board trim, and doors have symmetrical molding. Each of the four downstairs rooms has a panelled fireplace. Walls and ceilings upstairs are beaded-ceiling.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1999	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
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	<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES 1903-1904

BUILDER/ARCHITECT Thomas L. Brown

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Adams-Lellie-Wiggins House is significant as the last remaining historic residence in the Sand Tuck-Hickory Springs area of Bradley County, Arkansas. A local carpenter, Thomas L. Brown, built the house for Julius Henry Adams and his son-in-law, William James Leslie.

The house was constructed in 1903 with lumber from the nearby Arkansas Lumber Company at Warren. Two similar houses were once located in the area (the Pennington House and the Brown House), but both have been destroyed. The ornamental brackets and vergeboards along with the multi-patterned shingles in the gable ends give this otherwise simple structure a decorative touch.

The elder builder, Julius Henry Adams, was born March 6, 1847, at Gray's Ferry, Alabama. With his parents, Abner Aaron and Catherine Henry Adams, young Adams moved to Bradley County, Arkansas, in 1853. Following his service with Company B, Flippin's Battalion, CSA, J. H. Adams married Nancy Jane Hargis in 1866. The couple had one daughter, Almyra Elizabeth, born in 1869.

J. H. Adams held a wide variety of jobs during his lifetime. After serving as a soldier in the Civil War he returned to farm in Bradley County. In 1874 he and his father-in-law, Washington B. Hargis, opened a blacksmith and wood-working shop in Warren. In 1875 he was appointed postmaster and elected mayor of the city. Following his two year term as mayor he returned to farming until 1889 when he entered the sawmill business. In 1895 Adams began operation of a pipe stave business in the Saline and Ouachita River bottoms. His last job, which he held from 1901 until his death in 1927, was that of timber buyer for the Arkansas Lumber Company.

William James Leslie, the younger builder of the Adams-Leslie-Wiggins House, was born in Bradley County on September 21, 1858. His father, Samuel D. Leslie (1829-1862), died in Kentucky while serving in the Confederate army. His mother, Martha Jane Adams Leslie, returned to her father's house to raise young Leslie.

On September 18, 1887, W. J. Leslie married Almyra E. Adams, daughter of J. H. Adams. The couple had four children of whom only one, James Lester, survived to adulthood. Members of the Adams-Leslie families continually occupied the house from its construction in 1903 until it was sold by James L. Leslie in 1966.

Still located in its original setting, the Adams-Leslie-Wiggins House retains its rural character. The house is a good example of a rural residence built for a moderately successful businessman in Arkansas at the turn-of-the-century.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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Eagle-Democrat, Warren, Arkansas, October 29, 1936.
 Leslie, James W. Adams and Leslie family Bibles.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY one acre

QUADRANGLE NAME Warren SE, Arkansas

QUADRANGLE SCALE 1:24000

UTM REFERENCES

A 115 58401810 37091610
 ZONE EASTING NORTHING

B
 ZONE EASTING NORTHING

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

NE 1/4 of NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 of Section 1, Township 14 South, Range 10 West.
 (7.2 miles south of Warren, Arkansas, on the west side of State Highway 15)

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

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

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FORM PREPARED BY

NAME/TITLE

Mr. James Leslie, Jefferson County History Commission

ORGANIZATION Description by Frezil Miller, architectural historian DATE

Arkansas Historic Preservation Program

lan April 19, 1979

STREET & NUMBER

Suite 500, Continental Building

TELEPHONE

501-371-2763

CITY OR TOWN

Little Rock

STATE

Arkansas 72201

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

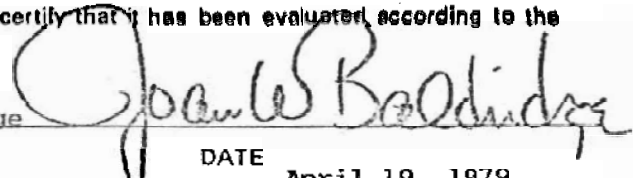
NATIONAL

STATE

LOCAL XX

As the designated State Historic Preservation 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.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE Joan W. Baldrige



TITLE

State Historic Preservation Program

DATE

April 19, 1979

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

ATTEST:

DATE

CHIEF OF REGISTRATION