

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 Nelson Tenement  
other names/site number Franklin, Charles House

### 2. Location

street & number 3615 Pine Street N/A not for publication  
city, town Pascagoula N/A vicinity  
state Mississippi code MS county Jackson code 59 zip code 39567

### 3. Classification

Ownership of Property	Category of Property	Number of Resources within Property	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	Contributing	Noncontributing
<input type="checkbox"/> public-local	<input type="checkbox"/> district	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> public-State	<input type="checkbox"/> site	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u> sites
<input type="checkbox"/> public-Federal	<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u> structures
	<input type="checkbox"/> object	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u> objects
		<u>2</u>	<u>1</u> Total

Name of related multiple property listing: Historic Resources of Pascagoula, MS  
Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

### 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.  
Kenneth H. P. Deal Oct. 24, 1991  
Signature of certifying official Date  
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer  
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)

Domestic/Single Dwelling

Current Functions (enter categories from instructions)

Domestic/Single Dwelling

## 7. Description

Architectural Classification

(enter categories from instructions)

Late Victorian

Materials (enter categories from instructions)

foundation Brick

walls Weatherboard

roof Metal

other N/A

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

The house of Mrs. C. Nelson faces east on Pine Street, sitting slightly closer to the south property line, then the north, and leaving about half the lot as back yard. There are a grass lawn, miscellaneous shrubbery along the foundations, and large trees in the back yard. A non-contributing wooden carport, with thin flat roof supported by square wood posts, sits to the north of the house, somewhat to the back of its north length. There is also a small contributing wooden outbuilding with an adjacent shed roof. The door is batten. To the north of this is a small chicken coop with individual cubicles for nesting.

The house is a very simple rectangle with a two-pitched roof and gable front and back, and an Eastlake porch across the front. A shed-roofed addition to the back is somewhat narrower than the house. Roofed with corrugated iron, it has weatherboards, and water table and skirt fascia set on brick piers.

At the front, a simple boxed verge projects about a foot out from the wall, dying on a thin fascia. The eaves of the side project out similarly, have a deeper fascia, and return on the east and west gable ends, just receiving the verge. The front gable has a small rectangular wood louvered ventilator.

Across the front is a three-bay porch, whose hipped roof is clad with asbestos dutch-lap tiles, and whose soffit beam lines up with the corner boards of the house, the projecting eave returning on itself here. Supporting the porch are turned posts, whose square sectioned lengths have a cap molding low, and a jigsaw bracket of a fan pattern which is also set to the soffit. The porch floor is wood, about two feet above grade, and access is by the center bay up concrete steps.

The front wall under the porch has the front door to the south, and to the north two full-length four-over-four windows. The front door is a single-acting sash with large glass pane above and two vertical wood panels below, and with a two-light transom above.

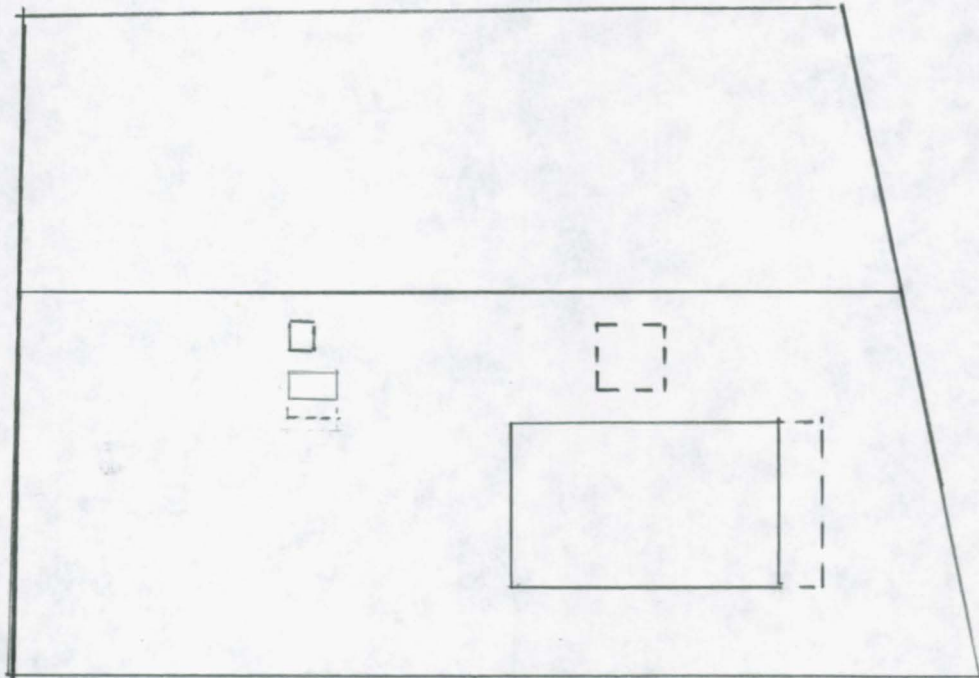
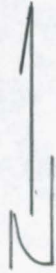
On the north wall are three equally spaced, good-sized two-over-two double-hung sash. There are no openings in the wall of the back addition on this side.

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# National Register of Historic Places Continuation Sheet

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3615 PINE

**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)    N/A  A     B     C     D     E     F     G

Areas of Significance (enter categories from instructions)  
Architecture

Period of Significance  
1895

Significant Dates  
1895

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Cultural Affiliation  
N/A

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Significant Person

N/A

Architect/Builder

Unknown

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State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

3615 Pine Street is significant architecturally and historically within the context of Pascagoula's residential elements. The Eastlake styled shotgun was built as a tenement (see cover nomination) by Mrs. Christian Nelson, wife of one of Scranton's leading businessmen. More research is needed to determine who lived in the house and their relationship to Pascagoula's historic context.

The shotgun house type was fairly prolific in Pascagoula, as evidenced by insurance maps and old photographs; however, most have disappeared. The exact origin of this house type has never been established, although several theories have been proposed, such as small urban lots, plantation quarters housing, or mass production housing. The siting of this house would support the first theory. This house is one of the most intact of those dating from the period of intensive growth in Pascagoula. The wooden residence was made possible by the prospering local lumber industry, which peaked in 1891 (see cover nomination). The porch details are similar to those found on the John C. Nelson (son of Christian Nelson) house at 2434 Pascagoula Street.

Christian Nelson was a native of Denmark who arrived in Scranton in 1871, after living in New Orleans. According to an 1896 account, "Mr. Nelson is considered one of the solid businessmen of this lively little town and is very popular both with his brother merchants and his fellow townspeople." Nelson built his company into one of the largest in Scranton. Such wealth allowed the family to build income property, providing housing for company employees and other laborers in Pascagoula.

**9. Major Bibliographical References**

For Bibliography See Context Statement.

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**

Acreege of property Less than one acre.

UTM References

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186	350450	3360650
Zone	Easting	Northing

C 

Zone	Easting	Northing

B 

Zone	Easting	Northing

D 

Zone	Easting	Northing

See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

Lots 52 and 53 Rene Krebs Tract.

See continuation sheet

Boundary Justification

The boundary includes the entire city lot that has historically been associated with the property.

See continuation sheet

**11. Form Prepared By**

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NORTH ELEVATION

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