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## **Historic Sites Survey**

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:

 $1-\frac{1}{2}$  story frame residence with undercut gallery supported by square posts, foundation of wood blocks. Stairway in center hall to ceiled attic, original mantels in 2 front rooms. Interior ceiled with wide pine boards. Center hall has been enclosed and front facade vertically boarded. Ell added to rear facade along northeast corner.

**ALTERATIONS:** 

Front porch has been replaced with concrete.

**OUTBUILDINGS:** 

LANDSCAPE FEATURES:

Pine and oak trees, surrounded by open fields in flat river bottomland.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

The Armstrong-Lee House is architecturally significant as a residence that combines elements of folk and Greek Revival houses. Features characteristic of folk structures are its foundation of wood blocks and its original dogtrot plan (center hall has been enclosed).

Historically, the house is associated with Jasper Armstrong, the original builder. Armstrong ran a country store across the road from the house that served the local community. Around the turn of the century he purchased 80 acres east of this property which was crossed by the route of the Gulf and Ship Island Railroad. Armstrong planned a town, laid out lots, and became the founder of the town of Arm.

NAME: Armstrong-Lee House

STREET NO:

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TOWN/VIC:

Arm

COUNTY:

Lawrence

BLOCK/LOT:

PRESENT OWNER:

Wilford R. Lee

ADDRESS

3818 Upland Dr. Lafayette, LA 70506

PRESENT USE: vacant

FORMER USE: residence

DATE:

ca. 1856

STYLE:

frame dogtrot/vernacular

ARCH/BUILDER: Jasper Armstrong

SOURCE OF DATE: former owner

ENVIRONMENT: rural

LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE
NEIGHBORHOOD
LOCAL X
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SITE OR AREA PLAN WITH NORTH ARROW AND SHAPE OF STRUCTURE:		CONTINUATION:
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