

Burr House
Near Charles Town
West Virginia

HABS No. WV-42

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District of West Virginia

Historic American Buildings Survey
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ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE West Virginia	COUNTY Jefferson	TOWN OR VICINITY Shenandoan Junction vicinity
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Peter Burr House		HABS NO. WV-42
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE Burr-McGarry House		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) .5 miles north of State Route 9 near B & O Railroad Tracks, .5 miles northwest of intersection of State Route 9 and Ridge Road		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) ca. 1751	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE)	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) One of the oldest extant buildings in the state. Very rare example of early homestead of which all other examples are of stone rather than wood. Home of Peter Burr, an early settler to the area and cousin of Aaron Burr.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE) Vernacular		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Frame with brick nogging and clapboard sheathing; western wing is log covered by clapboards		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) Eastern (original) portion: 1½-story, 2-bays by 2-bays; steep gable roof. Center section: 1½-story, 1-bay front. Western section: 1½-story, 2-bay front.		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Large interior chimney in eastern section and exterior chimney in western section; gable roof extends down to cover porch across length of south facade and eastern section of north facade		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Built-in mantels and chimney shelves; original (eastern) section has 2 rooms above and 2 below; stairs located in center section; western section has 1 room below and a loft above		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES Central section and western sections are additions, the western section possibly dating from 1804.		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Present condition is poor.		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) Listed on National Register of Historic Places (Information above taken from nomination)		
COMPILER, AFFILIATION Druscilla J. Null, HABS	DATE 7/14/83	

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