

ZONING CHANGE REVIEW SHEET

CASE NUMBER: C14H-2009-0065

HLC DATE: January 25, 2010

ZAP DATE: April 6, 2010

APPLICANTS: Jordan Steiker and Lori Holleran, owners

HISTORIC NAME: Judge David J. and Birdie Pickle House

WATERSHED: Shoal Creek

ADDRESS OF PROPOSED ZONING CHANGE: 1515 Murray Lane

ZONING FROM: SF-3 to SF-3-H

SUMMARY STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends the proposed zoning change from single family residence (SF-3) district to single family residence – Historic Landmark (SF-3-H) combining district zoning.

HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION ACTION: Recommended the proposed zoning change from family residence (SF-3) district to family residence – Historic Landmark (SF-3-H) combining district zoning. Vote: 5-0 (Kleon and Rosato absent).

ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION ACTION: Recommended the denial of the proposed zoning change from family residence (SF-3) district to family residence – Historic Landmark (SF-3-H) combining district zoning. Vote: 7-0.

DEPARTMENT COMMENTS: The house is listed in the Comprehensive Cultural Resources Survey (1984), but without a priority for research.

CITY COUNCIL DATE: April 29, 2010

ACTION:

ORDINANCE READINGS: 1ST 2ND 3RD

ORDINANCE NUMBER:

CASE MANAGER: Steve Sadowsky

PHONE: 974-6454

NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION: Old Enfield Neighborhood Association

BASIS FOR RECOMMENDATION:

Architecture:

One-and-a-half story wing-and-gable plan Tudor Revival-styled stuccoed frame residence with a clipped cat-slide front gable and a decorative gable over the right bay of the façade. The house has a brick-framed round-arched entry and false half-timbering decorating the gables. Fenestration consists of paired 6:6 windows with a triple set of 4:4 windows in the right bay of the façade under the decorative gable, and a diamond-paned casement window in the tympanum of the principal gable.

Historical Associations:

The house was built in 1928 for Judge David J. and Birdie G. Pickle. David J. Pickle, an Austin native, had served as the Travis County District Court Clerk, an assistant State Attorney General, and Travis County District Court Judge before returning to the practice of law in the Littlefield Building.

David J. Pickle was the son of John and Justina Pickle. John Pickle was born in Virginia, and worked as a carpenter, according to the 1880 U.S. Census, which shows the family, including David, age 1, living on Guadalupe Street. In the early 1890s, John Pickle worked for John L. Pogue, who had a livery and feed stable at the southeast corner of Congress and 1st (now Cesar Chavez) Street in Austin. The family lived at 400 E. 1st Street. The 1900 U.S. Census shows Justina Pickle living at 1201 San Bernard Street with a son, Charley, who was a stenographer. David Pickle first appears in the 1893-94 city directory as a clerk for Hudson Maud, who ran the Post Office racket store, selling notions at 106 W. 6th Street. He was listed as boarding with Hudson Maud that year. The 1895-96 city directory shows Pickle as a clerk in the District Court Clerk's Office, and living with his mother at 1201 San Bernard Street. He served as a clerk or stenographer in the District Court Clerk's office through the end of the 1890s – the 1900-01 directory shows him as the Deputy District Court Clerk, a position he held until around 1904. The 1905 city directory lists David Pickle as an attorney and stenographer with an office in the Pope Building, believed to have been at 117½ E. 6th Street. All the while, he was living at his mother's home at 1201 San Bernard, although he does not appear in the 1900 census report. In 1906, he was appointed the Travis County District Court Clerk. He lived at 1201 San Bernard through 1907, then moved to 606 W. 11th Street, where he lived until around 1925. He and Birdie appear at 606 W. 11th Street in the 1910 U.S. Census report, which reveals that they had been married for 12 years. Their two children, David Vernon, 10, and Mary Mildred, 7. David Pickle was listed as the District Court Clerk. He is listed in the 1918 and 1920 city directories as a Travis County District Court Judge, which is confirmed by the 1920 U.S. Census report. The 1920 census also appears to show that the Pickles shared their house at 606 W. 11th Street with prominent wholesale grocer Louis Strassburger and his wife, Nellie. Strassburger was a partner with Ike Heidenheimer in one of Austin's largest wholesale grocery concerns. By 1922, Pickle was practicing law with an office in the old Austin National Bank Building at 507-09 Congress Avenue, and then served as an assistant State Attorney General in the mid-1920s when he and Birdie purchased this property (1926). He also served as a judge in the Corporation Court, according to the 1924 city directory. While the house was being built, it appears that the Pickles lived at 108½ E. 17th Street. The 1929 city directory is the first to show the family living on Murray Lane. The 1930 U.S. Census shows David and Birdie Pickle in this house; he was then 57 and was working as an attorney in the State Attorney General's Office. Birdie Pickle was then 49. The house was worth \$11,000 at that time. In the early 1930s, Pickle returned to his law practice, with office in the Littlefield Building. He maintained his office there until the early 1960s, when he began practicing law out of this house on Murray Lane. Judge Pickle passed away in 1972; Birdie Pickle passed away in 1976.

The Pickles had two children, David Vernon and Mary Mildred. Mildred Pickle married Temple Mayhall in 1925. Temple Mayhall was a prominent educator and administrator in the Austin public school system for many years; Mildred Mayhall was prominent in her own right – she returned to the University of Texas for a Master's degree and doctorate in Anthropology, and taught at the university for many years. When Temple was serving in World War II, Mildred moved in with her parents in this house. The 1944-45 city directory shoes Mildred as an instructor at the University of Texas, living at 1515 Murray Lane. Mildred Mayhall went on to teach at Austin High School until her retirement in 1964. She was noted for publishing several anthropological studies of American Indians, and developed several new strains of roses with her interests in horticulture.

Birdie Pickle's guardian sold the house in 1973; attorney Dan Herd and his wife Patricia purchased the house from an interim owner in December of that year. The Herds constructed decks, a patio, and a greenhouse on the back of the house in 1976. They sold the house to Bill Pewitt and Shannon McCann in 1982. Bill Pewitt is a lobbyist and political consultant. Shannon McCann helped promote the Texas Lottery while working in the State Comptroller's Office, and now works in public relations. Pewitt and McCann sold the house in 1996; the

current owners, Jordan Steiker and Lori Holleran, purchased it in 2006. Jordan Steiker is a professor at the University of Texas School of Law; Lori Holleran is a professor at the University of Texas School of Social Work.

PARCEL NO.: 01120205170000

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: The South 55 feet of Lot 32, Outlots 7 and 8, Division Z, and the adjacent 5 feet of an alley, Enfield B.

ANNUAL TAX ABATEMENT: \$ 10,896 (owner-occupied); city portion: \$2,000 (capped).

APPRAISED VALUE: \$825,913

PRESENT USE: Single family residence

CONDITION: Excellent

PRESENT OWNERS: Jordan Steiker and Lori Holleran

DATE BUILT: ca. 1928

ALTERATIONS/ADDITIONS: Decks, patio and greenhouse added to the rear of the house (1976). Hugh Randolph designed an addition to the house in 1999.

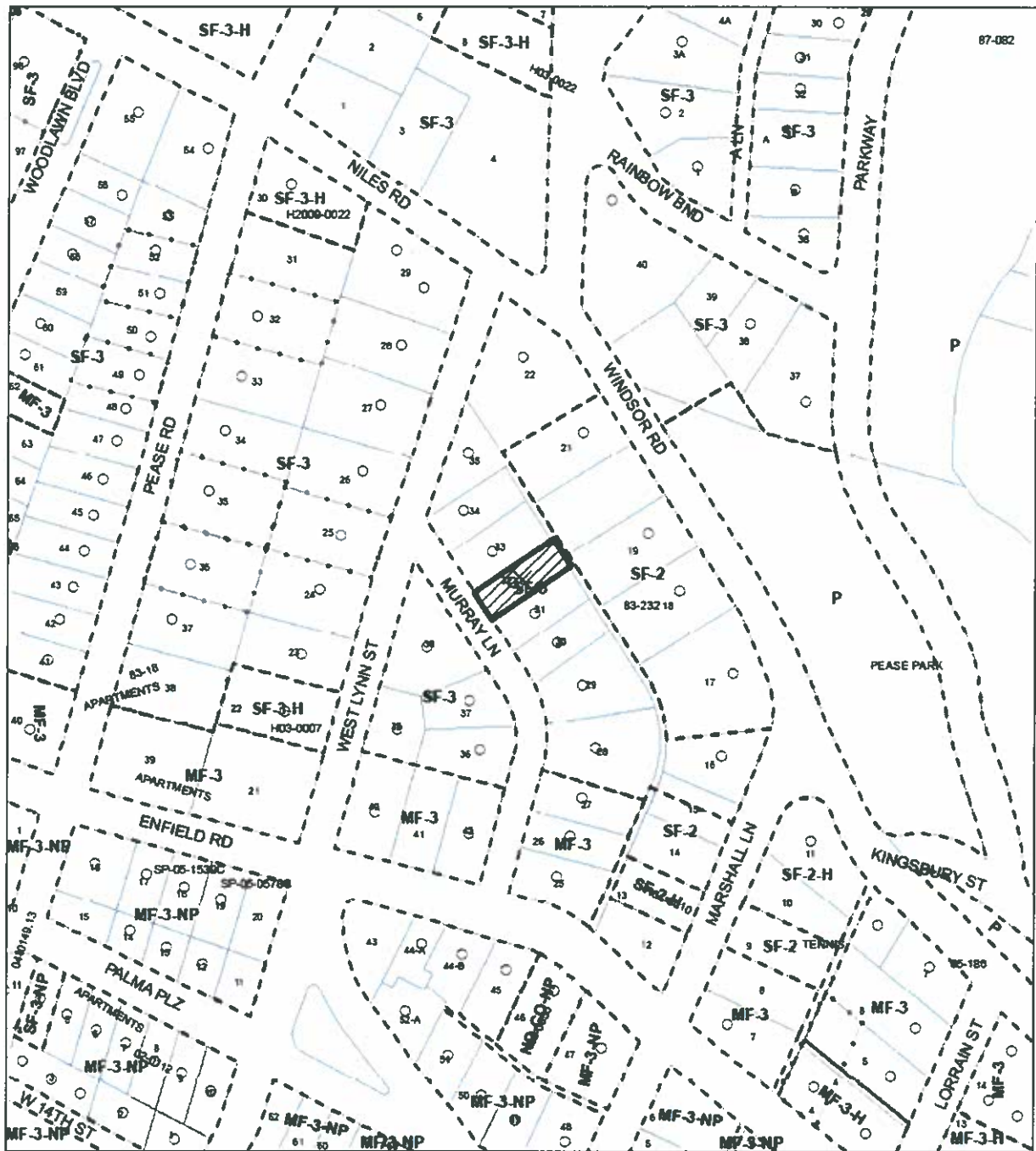
ORIGINAL OWNER(S): David J. and Birdie Pickle (1926)

OTHER HISTORICAL DESIGNATIONS: None.






Judge David J. and Birdie Pickle House
1515 Murray Lane

LOCATION MAP



1" = 200'

-  SUBJECT TRACT
-  ZONING BOUNDARY
-  PENDING CASE

OPERATOR: S. MEEKS

HISTORIC ZONING

ZONING CASE#: C14H-2009-0065
 ADDRESS: 1515 MURRAY LN
 SUBJECT AREA: 0.000 ACRES
 GRID: H23
 MANAGER: S. SADOWSKY



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Walton Building Holds Many Memories for Judge Pickle

Famous Travis County trials and burning of the old temporary Capitol are among the many memories Judge David J. Pickle has of his days in what we now call the Walton State Building.

Judge Pickle went to work in this building in 1894, just two weeks after he passed his 16th birthday. His job was in the District Clerk's Office in the Travis County Courthouse, for which the Walton Building was used at that time. Travis County had a long lease on the building for that purpose.

This lease was rescinded by the State of Texas during Governor Dan Moody's administration and the building was constituted as the Walton Building, and henceforth was used for State business.

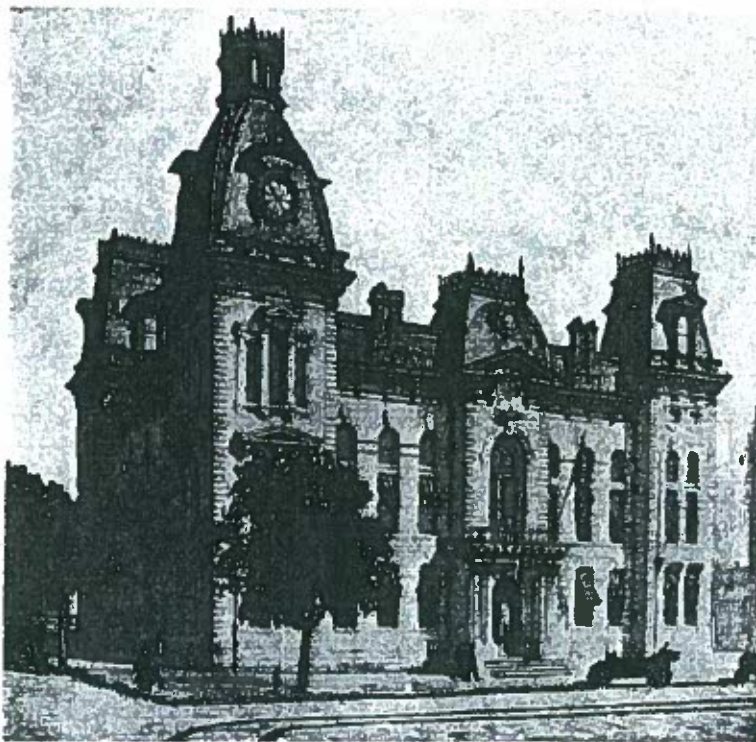
Judge Pickle continued to work in the District Clerk's Office. When he arrived at an age when his minor disabilities could be removed, age 19, the disabilities were removed and he was promoted to Deputy Clerk.

In 1906, he ran for District Clerk and was elected. He held that office through the year 1916 when he was elected Travis County Judge. Pickle served as judge four years and then entered the practice of law in which he is still engaged.

He watched the burning of the temporary Capitol from the County Courthouse (now the Walton Building). He also observed the paving of Congress Avenue during the year 1899. The Walton Building faced on the Avenue, and such events and parades were easily viewed by Judge Pickle and his fellow county employees. Parades were usually viewed from the vantage point of a small front balcony.

Judge Pickle remembers, too, looking out from his second floor office in 1898 and seeing soldiers marching down the Avenue to leave for Florida and on to fight in the Spanish-American War.

When he worked in the District Clerk's office, the second floor of the building contained the Big Court Room which extended from middle of the building South



AS TRAVIS COUNTY COURTHOUSE—The City of Austin made this picture available. It shows the Walton Building (before alterations) when it was the Travis County Courthouse. The building faced West across Congress Avenue at 11th Street. In the foreground of this picture, the streetcar tracks (which ran up Congress Avenue) can be seen easily. Courthouse employees frequently rode the streetcar to work when they did not walk.

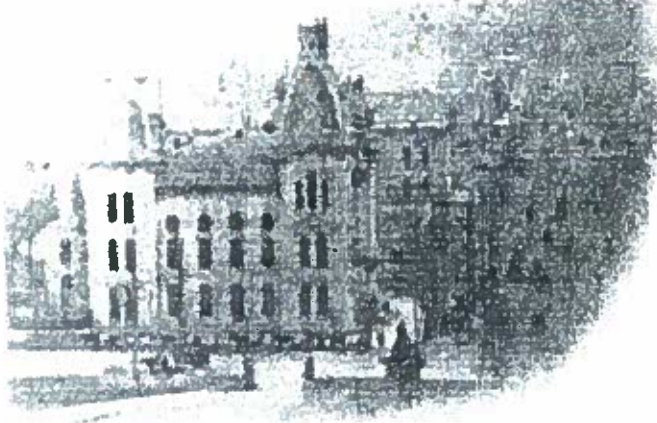
to the Alley wall. This room was used often for political conventions and county conventions of the Democratic party and occasionally the Republican party. The District Clerk's Office was also located on that same floor on the East side and the office door led into the Big Court Room.

One of the outstanding trials Judge Pickle remembers being held in that Big Court Room was the one of W. E. (Eugene) Burt. Burt, his wife and their two children resided on East 9th Street. One morning bodies of the wife and the two children were found in the home and Burt was missing.

Later he was arrested in Chicago going into the Public Library. M. G. Poindexter, then residing in

Chicago and formerly of Austin, identified Burt. Of the three indictments, Judge Pickle does not recall on which Burt was tried. Burt was a member of a prominent Austin family, and he was defended by Major W. M. Walton known as "Buck" Walton for whom the Walton Building was later named. The defense used the plea of insanity, and all during the trial Burt never said a word but looked straight ahead. Judge Pickle said that two young doctors who already were gaining prominence, Doctors Goodall and Joe Wooten, testified that Burt was shamming insanity.

The jury assessed the death penalty, and the defense lawyers appealed to the Criminal Appeals



Court where the case was affirmed. The mandate then came back to the District Court. The District Judge then directed the sheriff to hang Burt.

Prior to the date set for the hanging, Burt's brother filed an affidavit to the effect that Burt had become insane since the killing. Then he was tried for insanity. The first jury ended as a "hung jury" and the second jury ruled him sane. The District Court issued the second warrant and set his hanging date as Friday, May 27, 1898. Judge Pickle was present at the hanging in the old jail, which then stood where the Texas Highway Building now stands. R. E. White, sheriff at the time, did the hanging.

Judge and Mrs. Pickle spent their honeymoon in San Antonio during May, 1898, and at the time they were there, Teddy Roosevelt and his Rough Riders were in San Antonio preparing to leave for Cuba.

When Judge Pickle first worked in the District Clerk's office, he said the office hours were from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m., but the staff stayed much later if necessary. Usually he walked to work and sometimes he rode the streetcar. The office staff consisted of the District Clerk, two deputies and Pickle.

Pickle had learned to write on

the typewriter by the "pick and peck" system, and typing was his work for a long time. He worked making up transcripts and copying records. Some of these transcripts ran from 300 to 400 pages or more and were sent to higher courts for review.

Some of the outstanding personages Judge Pickle remembers meeting in the old Walton Building when it was used as the County Courthouse were James Stephen Hogg, Albert S. Burleson and Thomas W. Gregory.

Hogg, the first native Texan to be elected Governor of Texas, was first elected on a platform of monopoly regulation. As Judge Pickle recalled, the opposition to Hogg began saying "Untie Texas" implying "free the State from this stiff regulation." Hogg's policies aroused both strong support and strong opposition. In his campaign for re-election, the Democratic opposition chose George W. Clark of Waco to oppose Hogg in the 1892 Democratic primary. T. L. Nugent was the Populist Party candidate, and that Party was strong in Texas at the time.

Both Judge and Mrs. Pickle remember this political campaign, said to be one of the hottest in Texas history. A big hog was in a coffin on one of the horse-drawn wagons in one of the political parades on Congress Avenue; the

Clark faction used this gimmick to imply that Clark would bury "Hogg." But, events did not work out that way, because Governor Hogg won the Democratic nomination and was re-elected Governor of Texas.

Early in 1895, ex-Governor Hogg formed a law partnership with Judge James H. Robertson and their offices were located in the Bosche Building in the 800 block of Congress Avenue. Both men were frequent visitors in County Courthouse.

T. W. Gregory, for whom Gregory Gym at the University of Texas was named, was a prominent young attorney during Judge Pickle's early days in the Courthouse. He had many cases and often came into the Clerk's Office. He represented Brown Brothers and later served as Attorney General of the United States under President Woodrow Wilson. He returned to Texas after serving in that office and located in Houston to practice law.

Burleson served as Postmaster General under President Wilson.

While Judge Pickle served as District Clerk, one of the outstanding cases he remembers was when the State of Texas sued Waters-Pierce Oil Company for violation of the anti-trust laws. The judgment against the company amounted to \$1,628,000. The case was appealed, affirmed and paid. The number of the case file, recalled Judge Pickle, was No. 24551.

Previously, in case No. 12589, the State of Texas forfeited the Waters-Pierce Oil Company the right to do business in the State. Later the company obtained the right to come back in the State.

Judge Pickle also recalls attending the then-popular Hancock Opera House to view many stage plays and wrestling matches.

In 1910, he saw the Scarbrough and Littlefield Buildings completed.

Judge Pickle, who is 85 years of age and celebrated his 66th wedding anniversary on May 22nd, still practices law at his beautiful home, 1515 Murray Lane. He has not only seen a great deal of development take place in Austin, but has spent his years in taking a vital part in the law of this community—by recording legal statistics, rendering opinions and practicing law.

The Texas Public Employee

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From The Public Employee, July, 1964

Back in 1918, Travis County Judge Pickle and the rest of the Commissioners' Court passed a resolution stating that it was every American's duty to contribute to the war effort, and that every vagrant brought in by law officers be engaged in useful occupation or suffer penalty of the law. Pickle decided that the perfect spot for unemployed vagrants was the county's corn and cotton fields, where there was a scarcity of labor.

Excerpt from "Here and Now" (undated)

Judge David J. Pickle

Judge David J. Pickle, 93, of 1515 Murry Lane, died in a local hospital Sunday. He was a lifetime resident of Austin and a member of Masonic Lodge 12 AF&AM, Scottish Rite Bodies and Ben Hur Shrine.

Judge Pickle was a former county judge of Travis County, Travis County District Clerk, assistant attorney general under Attorney Generals Bobbitt and Polkard, and practiced law in Travis County until retirement three years ago.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Birdie Givens Pickle, Austin; daughter, Mrs. Temple B. Mayhall, Austin; three grandsons, David Hayden Pickle, and David Temple Mayhall, Austin, and Dr. William Mayhall, Albuquerque, N.M.; and four great-grandchildren.

Funeral will be Tuesday at 10 a.m. at Cook-Walden Funeral Home. Rev. D. C. Schmidt will officiate and burial will be in Oakwood Cemetery. Pallbearers will be Payson Penick, A. J. Rather, Jay Rather, Dan Driscoll, Les Procter and Carl Sundbeck. Honorary pallbearers will be members of the Travis County Bar Association.

The family requests that contributions be made to your favorite charity.

Obituary of Judge David J. Pickle
Austin Statesman,
August 14, 1972

DAVID J. PICKLE Former county judge

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Austin American,
August 14, 1972

PICKLE, Mrs. David J.
(Birdie Glvens), 95, 2400 En-
field Road, died Sunday. Serv-
ices 10 a.m. Tuesday in the Dav-
is Chapel of Cook-Walden Fu-
neral Home. Survivors: daugh-
ter, Mrs. Temple B. Mayhall of
Austin; three grandchildren; 1
five great-grandchildren.

Obituary of Birdie Pickle
Austin American, February 16, 1976

AF - Big
Pickle Family

My Grandfather, John Scott Pickle was born Dec. 13, 1834
in Rutherford County, Virginia. He came to Texas when a young man with
his brothers Jim and Andrew Pickle. He joined the Confederate
Army in 1861 ^{Co B - 183rd Tex. Cav.} and was sent East. After a short time on account of
illness he was sent back to Texas. When he recovered, he was sent
back to the battlefields again with Hood's Brigade covering the
Carolinas. He was very ill again while in service as many other
soldiers were from poor food and drinking water. Returning to
Texas the second time, he was given an honorable discharge and was
quite some time regaining his health. On December 9th, 1863, my
Grandfather married Miss Justina Rowzee ^{Emeline} and they went to live near
Bastrop. He worked as a Contractor on buildings and bridges and
was a fine cabinet maker and wood carver. My Uncle, Judge David Pic
has in his possession, a hand carved "what-not" that his father, my
Grandfather, made. My Grandmother told me that Grandfather Pickle
left home on a horse and came back from the War on a mule. He was
ill to care how he got home. There were five children in this fam
my mother Carrie Pickle (Maud) the oldest, born in 1864. My Grandf
Pickle died July 30th 1884 in Austin.

A Grand daughter,

Mabel Maud Hickey.

Oct. 13, 1847.

Austin, Texas.

AF - Big
Pickle Family

Mildred P. Mayhall
1906 Raleigh Ave.,
Austin, Texas
August 31, 1967

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Dr. Mildred P. Mayhall (Mrs. Temple B. Mayhall)

Born December 20, 1902, 1103 San Bernard Street, Austin, Texas.
The family moved to 606 West 11th Street when Mary Mildred Pickle was five years old and lived there for many years, across the street from Pease School, on the corner of Rio Grande and 11th.

Parents: Judge David Jones Pickle and Birdie Mildred (Givens) Pickle, now living at 1515 Murray Lane, Austin, Texas.

Education: Pease Elementary School (after one year at Miss Melite Numbers' Kindergarten (1203 Rio Grande); Austin High School, 1918; National Park Seminary, Washington, D. C., 1918-1919; University of Texas, B. A., 1924; M. A. 1926; Ph.D. 1939; Graduate work, University of Chicago, summers of 1929, 1930, 1933.

Honors: Phi Beta Kappa, Chi Upsilon (Geology), Kappa Delta Pi, Pi Lambda Theta, Sigma Xi.

Member: Daughters of the American Revolution; Daughters of the Republic of Texas; Texas State Historical Association; West Texas Historical Association; American Anthropological Association; American Rose Society, and others; Consulting Rosarian, American Rose Society.

Married: September 12, 1925, Temple B. Mayhall, B. S. in Architecture, University of Texas, 1932; Alpha Tau Omega, Sphinx; Graduate work, University of Chicago, summers of 1929, 1933; American Institute of Architects; Director of School Plant, Austin Public Schools.

Children: David James Temple Mayhall, b. December 13, 1941; B. S. in Electrical Engineering, University of Texas, 1964; M. S. in Electrical Engineering, 1967; graduate student in electrical engineering at University of Texas at present; Lambda Chi Alpha, Tau Beta Pi, Eta Kappa Nu.

William Sherry Thomas Mayhall, b. February 22, 1944; B. A., University of Texas, 1966; Lambda Chi Alpha, Nu Sigma Nu; student in University of Texas Medical Branch, Galveston, at present.

Awards: Received Award of Merit from Association for State and Local History for sponsoring Junior Historians and for three filmstrips: "The Indians of Texas," prepared in collaboration with the Audio-Visual Department of the Austin Public Schools, for classroom use for Austin Public Schools, Austin Public Library, etc.

Received award from Theta Sigma Phi, November 19, 1966, on "Texas Writers Day," Austin, Texas, for Indian Wars Of Texas (Texian Press, Waco, 1965) selected at Theta Sigma Phi's Eighteenth Annual Writers Roundup as one of the fifteen best books of the year by Texans.

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her green thumb pursuit is "not as avid as it once was, even now strawberries grow in her rose bush beds, an apple tree is bearing fruit in her front yard as is a lemon tree—and apples and lemons are not exactly indigenous to Austin.

In 1959 she returned to teaching, this time in social studies at Austin High School, and remained until 1964 when she retired a second time.

Two years before this second retirement came her first book — "The Kiowas," from the University of Oklahoma Press.

Why this interest in Indians?

"I've always liked Indians. But also when it came time to choose a topic for my dissertation, well, women weren't considered qualified to do some things in those days, like archeology, and no one else seemed to want the Indians, so . . ."

Next came a big book from the Texian Press, "Indian Wars of Texas," and it was followed by a number of magazine articles on Indians, like "Last Old Action in Colorado" in Golden West Magazine, and finally a great public school textbook from Graphic Ideas, "Texas and Its History," in which she wrote chapters 3 through 18 of the 28-chapter book.

"Writing is not difficult for me, when I feel like writing."

Her husband says when she gets to writing she is not conscious of anything else in the room.

"I like to write late at night,

and although it isn't difficult, I do have to rewrite — have to polish hearty drafts."

She won't accept other people's words about things either, her husband explains. Instead she will look up the facts for herself. It takes time, but it pays off. This also explains how she can read Raymond Adams' books and "find mistakes," or why she wishes for a better treatment of Indians by Walter Prescott Webb in his "Great Plains."

"Mr. Webb didn't like Indians. I asked him whether he was going to read my book on the Kiowas and he said no. He grew up hearing stories of the marauder Indians, and

this must have turned him against them.

"The Indians in the United States are increasing rapidly in number now. In the early days there were not more than 500 large tribes, although there were perhaps 5,000 small groups included in the big ones. The Karankawas, for instance, never numbered more than 2,000 — which was not a major tribe."

She estimates there are more than one-half a million Indians now.

At present, Dr. Mayhall is working on a history of the Tonkawas; she is doing a periodical piece on a great, great uncle who graduated from West Point in 1845 and fought in the Mexican War; and she is also writing on a novel based on the life of a Tonkawa chief named Tawche. Though she prefers writing

at night, she bows to no writing schedule.

"I try to do some writing every week."

To get it done, she uses two typewriters. One is a good old hack that takes a pretty hefty punch to lift a key and makes a fair racket while doing it. She composes on this machine. After the draft is made and some editing accomplished, Dr. Mayhall switches to a swank, sweet, slick electric typewriter to make subsequent copies.

But though the Tonkawas, the Comanches, the Kiowas, the Apaches, the Caddoes, the Pawnees, the Omegas, the Utes, the Mesquiteros, the Cheyennes, and all the other many Indian tribes know nothing about these two typewriters, the typewriters are well acquainted with them.



Staff Photo by Richard Creed

INDIAN RELICS ARE ALL OVER THE MAYHALL HOME

Blanket is Navaho; stone axes from Mexico and this area

MAYHALL, MILDRED MARY PICKLE (1902-1987). Mildred Mayhall, historian, writer, and teacher, the daughter of David Jones and Birdie Mildred (Givens) Pickle, was born in Austin, Texas, on December 20, 1902. She attended Austin public schools and the National Park Seminary in Washington, D.C. She received the B.A. (1924), M.A. (1926), and Ph.D. (1939) degrees from the University of Texas. Although trained as a historian, she taught anthropology at the University of Texas for twenty years before taking a position as a history teacher at Stephen F. Austin High School in Austin.

She was the author of two studies of Indians, *The Kiowas* (1962) and *Indian Wars of Texas* (1965). She served as a consultant for Time-Life Books for *The Great Chiefs* (1975) in the series *The Old West*. She also wrote numerous articles for various historical magazines. At Austin High School she served as faculty sponsor for the Junior Historians. She was active in the Texas State Historical Association and the Daughters of the American Revolution.^{qv}

Mayhall was an amateur horticulturist who was interested in rose culture and developed several new strains of rose. She published a book on rose culture and wrote the descriptive material for Eliza Griffin Johnston's^{qv} *Texas Wild Flowers* (1972). Mayhall helped organize the Austin Rose Society and was an early member of the Violet Crown Garden Club.

She married Temple B. Mayhall, an architect, on September 12, 1925. They had three sons, one of whom died in infancy. Mildred Mayhall was a member of the United Methodist Church of Austin. She moved to Salem, Oregon, shortly before her death on April 19, 1987. She is buried in Oakwood Cemetery, Austin.

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Francis J. Nesmith

A. APPLICATION FOR HISTORIC ZONING

OK fogg
SS
12-21-09

PROJECT INFORMATION:

Row In # 1038292

DEPARTMENTAL USE ONLY

APPLICATION DATE: 12/21/09 FILE NUMBER(S): CUH-2009-0066
 TENTATIVE HLC DATE: _____
 TENTATIVE PC or ZAP DATE: _____
 TENTATIVE CC DATE: _____
 CASE MANAGER: Steve Sedowski CITY INITIATED: YES / NO
 APPLICATION ACCEPTED BY: SPape ROLLBACK: YES/NO

BASIC PROJECT DATA:

1. OWNER'S NAME: Jordan Steiker ; Lori Holleran
 2. PROJECT NAME: The Pickle House
 3. PROJECT STREET ADDRESS (or Range): 1515 Murray
 ZIP: 78703 COUNTY: Travis
 IF PROJECT ADDRESS CANNOT BE DEFINED ABOVE:
 LOCATED _____ FRONTAGE FEET ALONG THE N. S. E. W. (CIRCLE ONE) SIDE OF
 APPROXIMATELY _____ (ROAD NAME PROPERTY FRONTS ONTO), WHICH IS
 INTERSECTION WITH _____ DISTANCE FROM ITS
 _____ CROSS STREET.

NP - Old Grid H23
 AREA TO BE REZONED: Watson School Creek Class - Luben
School Area

4. ACRES 18.3 (OR) SQ.FT. _____
 5. ZONING AND LAND USE INFORMATION:

EXISTING ZONING	EXISTING USE	TRACT# (IF MORE THAN 1)	ACRES / SQ. FT.	PROPOSED USE	PROPOSED ZONING
<u>SF-3</u>	<u>Residence</u>	_____	_____	<u>Residence</u>	<u>SF-3-H</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

RELATED CURRENT CASES:

6. ACTIVE ZONING CASE?	(YES) <u>(NO)</u>	FILE NUMBER: _____
7. RESTRICTIVE COVENANT?	(YES) <u>(NO)</u>	FILE NUMBER: _____
8. SUBDIVISION?	(YES) <u>(NO)</u>	FILE NUMBER: _____
9. SITE PLAN?	(YES) <u>(NO)</u>	FILE NUMBER: _____

PROPERTY DESCRIPTION (SUBDIVISION REFERENCE OR METES AND BOUNDS):

10a. SUBDIVISION REFERENCE: Name: Enfield B
Block(s) _____ Lot(s) 555 of 10132 and _____
Plat Book: _____ Page 75 _____
Number: _____ 5' of adjacent alley
10b. METES AND BOUNDS (Attach two copies of certified field notes if subdivision reference is not available or zoning includes partial lots)

DEED REFERENCE CONVEYING PROPERTY TO PRESENT OWNER AND TAX PARCEL I.D.:

11. VOLUME: _____ PAGE: _____ TAX PARCEL I.D. NO. 01120205170000

2006103582

OTHER PROVISIONS:

12. IS PROPERTY IN A ZONING COMBINING DISTRICT / OVERLAY ZONE? YES ☒ NO ☐
TYPE OF COMBINING DIST/OVERLAY ZONE (NCCD, NP, etc) _____
13. LOCATED IN A LOCAL OR NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICT? YES ☒ NO ☐
14. IS A TIA REQUIRED? YES ☒ NO ☐ (NOT REQUIRED IF BASE ZONING IS NOT CHANGING)
TRIPS PER DAY: _____
TRAFFIC SERIAL ZONE(S): _____

OWNERSHIP TYPE:

15. ☒ SOLE ☐ COMMUNITY PROPERTY ☐ PARTNERSHIP ☐ CORPORATION ☐ TRUST
If ownership is other than sole or community property, list individuals/partners/principals below or attach separate sheet.

OWNER INFORMATION:

16. OWNER CONTACT INFORMATION
SIGNATURE: [Signature] NAME: Jordan Steiker & Lori Holleran
FIRM NAME: _____ TELEPHONE NUMBER: 512-680-4709
STREET ADDRESS: 1575 Murray
CITY: Austin STATE: TX ZIP CODE: 78703
EMAIL ADDRESS: jsteiker@mail.law.utexas.edu

AGENT INFORMATION (IF APPLICABLE):

17. AGENT CONTACT INFORMATION
SIGNATURE: [Signature] NAME: Suzanne Deaderick
FIRM NAME: Historic Research Representation TELEPHONE NUMBER: 512-477-2929
STREET ADDRESS: 2802 Harris Blvd.
CITY: Austin STATE: Texas ZIP CODE: 78703
CONTACT PERSON: Suzanne Deaderick TELEPHONE NUMBER: 477-2929
EMAIL ADDRESS: Suzanne@Grande.com.net

DEPARTMENTAL USE ONLY: _____

D. SUBMITTAL VERIFICATION AND INSPECTION AUTHORIZATION

SUBMITTAL VERIFICATION

My signature attests to the fact that the attached application package is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that proper City staff review of this application is dependent upon the accuracy of the information provided and that any inaccurate or inadequate information provided by me/my firm/etc., may delay the proper review of this application.

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT NAME BELOW SIGNATURE AND
INDICATE FIRM REPRESENTED, IF APPLICABLE.

S Deaderick 12-20-09
Signature Date
Suzanne Deaderick
Name (Typed or Printed)
Historic Research & Represent
Firm (If applicable)

INSPECTION AUTHORIZATION

As owner or authorized agent, my signature authorizes staff to visit and inspect the property for which this application is being submitted.

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT NAME BELOW SIGNATURE AND
INDICATE FIRM REPRESENTED, IF APPLICABLE.

JL Steiker 12-20-09
Signature Date
Jordan Steiker
Name (Typed or Printed)

Firm (If applicable)

E. ACKNOWLEDGMENT FORM

concerning
Subdivision Plat Notes, Deed Restrictions,
Restrictive Covenants
and / or
Zoning Conditional Overlays

I, Suzanne Deaderick have checked for subdivision plat notes, deed restrictions,
(Print name of applicant)

restrictive covenants and/or zoning conditional overlays prohibiting certain uses and/or requiring certain development restrictions i.e. height, access, screening etc. on this property, located at

1515 Murray
Address or Legal Description)
Austin, Tx. 78703

If a conflict should result with the request I am submitting to the City of Austin due to subdivision plat notes, deed restrictions, restrictive covenants and/or zoning conditional overlays it will be my responsibility to resolve it. I also acknowledge that I understand the implications of use and/or development restrictions that are a result of a subdivision plat notes, deed restrictions, restrictive covenants and/or zoning conditional overlays

I understand that if requested, I must provide copies of any and all subdivision plat notes, deed restrictions, restrictive covenants and/or zoning conditional overlay information which may apply to this property.

S Deaderick
(Applicant's signature)

12-20-09
(Date)

TAX CERTIFICATE
Nelda Wells Spears
Travis County Tax Assessor-Collector
P.O. Box 1748
Austin, Texas 78767
(512) 854-9473

NO 1042579

ACCOUNT NUMBER: 01-1202-0517-0000

PROPERTY OWNER:

STEIKER JORDAN M & LORI HOLLERAN
1515 MURRAY LN
AUSTIN, TX 78703-3410

PROPERTY DESCRIPTION:

S 55 FT OF LOT 32 OLT 7&8 DIV 2 AN
D ADJ 5 FT OF ALLEY ENFIELD B

ACRES 0.000 MIN* .00000 TYPE

SITUS INFORMATION: 1515 MURRAY LN

This is to certify that after a careful check of tax records of this office, the following taxes, delinquent taxes, penalties and interests are due on the described property of the following tax unit(s):

YEAR	ENTITY	TOTAL
2009	AUSTIN ISD	9,747.17
	CITY OF AUSTIN (TRAV)	3,476.27
	TRAVIS COUNTY	2,784.98
	TRAVIS COUNTY HEALTHCARE DISTRICT	445.33
	ACC (TRAVIS)	773.50

TOTAL SEQUENCE 0 17,227.25

TOTAL TAX:	17,227.25
UNPAID FEES:	* NONE *
INTEREST ON FEES:	* NONE *
COMMISSION:	* NONE *
TOTAL DUE ==>	17,227.25

ALL TAXES PAID IN FULL PRIOR TO AND INCLUDING THE YEAR 2009 EXCEPT FOR UNPAID YEARS LISTED ABOVE.

The above described property may be subject to special valuation based on its use, and additional rollback taxes may become due. (Section 23.55, State Property Tax Code).

Pursuant to Section 31.08 of the State Property Tax Code, there is a fee of \$10.00 for all Tax Certificates.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE ON THIS DATE OF 11/17/2009

Fee Paid: \$10.00

Nelda Wells Spears
Tax Assessor-Collector

By: Vinissa Shaw

Deed Chronology 1515 Murray Lane

Transaction	Volume/Page	Date
Westenfield Development Company to D.J. Pickle	395/122	June 29, 1926
Guardianship of Birdie Givens Pickle to Kent W. & Marilyn T. Roberts	1628/711	April 18, 1973
Kent W. & Marilyn T. Roberts to Daniel W. & Patricia B Herd	4793/1500	Dec. 20, 1973
Daniel W. & Paula T. Herd to Bill Pewitt & Shannon McCann	7757/61	May 21, 1982
Bill Pewitt & Shannon McCann to Montgomery Scott & Hope Bard	12662/1843	April 8, 1996
Montgomery & Hope Bard to David and Gay Clifton	13010/2857	August 25, 1997
David & Gay Clifton to Jordan Steiker & Lori Holleran		May 25, 2006

Occupancy History
1515 Murray

City Directory Research
November, 2009

- 1924 Address not listed
Note: David and Birdie Pickle were listed as residing at 606 W. 11th and David was an attorney at 102 Austin National Bank.
- 1927 Address not listed
Note: David and Birdie residing at 1081/2 E. 17th Street. David is listed as assistant Attorney General at 811 Scarbrough Bldg.
- 1929 D.J. Pickle-owner
Note: The address was listed originally as 1315 Murray Lane. David was assistant Attorney General.
- 1930 D.J. Pickle-owner
Note: The address was listed originally as 1315 Murray Lane. David was assistant Attorney General.
- 1932-33 D.J. Pickle-owner
Note: The address was listed originally as 1315 Murray Lane. David is listed as a lawyer at 606 Littlefield Bldg.
- 1935 D.J. Pickle-owner
Note: The address was listed originally as 1315 Murray Lane. David is listed as a lawyer at 606 Littlefield Bldg.
- 1937 D.J. Pickle-owner
Note: The address was listed originally as 1315 Murray Lane. David is listed as a lawyer at 606 Littlefield Bldg.
- 1939 D.J. Pickle-owner
Note: The address was listed originally as 1315 Murray Lane. David is listed as a lawyer at 606 Littlefield Bldg.
- 1940 D.J. Pickle-owner
Note: The address was listed originally as 1315 Murray Lane. David is listed as a lawyer at 606 Littlefield Bldg.

- 1941 D.J. Pickle-owner
Note: The address was listed originally as 1315 Murray Lane.
David is listed as a lawyer at 606 Littlefield Bldg.
- 1942 D. J. Pickle-owner
Note: Address changes to 1515 Murray. Pickle is listed as a
lawyer at 608 Littlefield Bldg.
David V. Pickle is also listed at this address.
- 1944-45 D. J. Pickle-owner
Note: Pickle is listed as a lawyer at 608 Littlefield Bldg.
David V. Pickle is also listed at this address.
- 1947 D. J. Pickle-owner
Note: Pickle is listed as a lawyer at 608 Littlefield Bldg.
Mildred Pickle is also listed at this address.
- 1949 D. J. Pickle-owner
Note: Pickle is listed as a lawyer at 608 Littlefield Bldg.
David H. Pickle is also listed
- 1952 D. J. Pickle-owner
Note: Pickle is listed as a lawyer at 608 Littlefield Bldg.
- 1954 D. J. Pickle-owner
Note: Pickle is listed as a lawyer at 608 Littlefield Bldg.
- 1957 D. J. Pickle-owner
Note: Pickle is listed as a lawyer at 608 Littlefield Bldg.
- 1959 D. J. Pickle-owner
Note: Pickle is listed as a lawyer at 608 Littlefield Bldg.
- 1962 D. J. Pickle-owner
Note: Pickle is listed as a lawyer at 608 Littlefield Bldg.
- 1963 D. J. Pickle-owner
Note: Pickle is listed as a lawyer at 608 Littlefield Bldg.
- 1965 D. J. Pickle-owner
Note: Pickle is listed as a lawyer at 1515 Murray.
- 1968 D. J. Pickle-owner
Note: Pickle is listed as a lawyer at 1515 Murray.

- 1971 D. J. Pickle-owner
Note: Pickle is listed as a lawyer at 1515 Murray.
- 1972 D. J. Pickle-owner
Note: Pickle is listed as a lawyer at 1515 Murray.
Note: Dan Herd is listed as residing at 2800 Cole.
- 1973 Vacant
Note: D.J. Pickle is listed as retired at 2409a Enfield Rd.
- 1974 Dan and Patricia Herd-owners
Note: Dan is listed at Stubbeman, McRae, Sealy, Laughlin and Browder
- 1975 Dan and Patricia Herd-owners
Note: Dan is listed at Stubbeman, McRae, Sealy, Laughlin and Browder
- 1976 Dan and Patricia Herd-owners
Note: Dan is listed at Stubbeman, McRae, Sealy, Laughlin and Browder
- 1977 Dan and Patricia Herd-owners
Note: Dan is listed at Stubbeman, McRae, Sealy, Laughlin and Browder
- 1978 Dan and Patricia Herd-owners
Note: Dan is listed at Stubbeman, McRae, Sealy, Laughlin and Browder
- 1981 Daniel and Paula Herd-owners
Note: Billy R. Pewitt is listed as a lobbyist at 1122 Colorado.
- 1983 Shannon E. McCann (and Billy R. Pewitt)-owners
- 1984 Shannon E. McCann (and Billy R. Pewitt)-owners
Note: Shannon E. McCann is listed as advertiser wkr.
- 1985-86 Shannon E. McCann (and Billy R. Pewitt)-owners
Note: Shannon E. McCann is listed as advertiser wkr.
Bill Pewitt is listed as a consultant
- 1987 Shannon E. McCann (and Billy R. Pewitt)-owners
Note: Shannon E. McCann is listed as advertiser wkr.
Bill Pewitt is listed as a consultant

- 1988 Shannon E. McCann (and Billy R. Pewitt)-owners
Note: Shannon E. McCann is listed as advertiser wkr.
Bill Pewitt is listed as a lobbyist
- 1992 Shannon E. McCann (and Billy R. Pewitt)-owners
Note: Shannon E. McCann is listed as advertiser wkr.
Bill Pewitt is listed as a lobbyist
- 1996 Shannon E. McCann (and Billy R. Pewitt)-owners
Note: Shannon E. McCann is listed as advertiser wkr.
Bill Pewitt is listed as a lobbyist
- 1997 Hope and Scott Bard-owners
Note: The Bards are previously at 5275 McCormick Mt. Dr.

Biography of Judge D. J. Pickle and family

D. J. Pickle began work at the age of sixteen in the District Clerk's Office of the Travis County Courthouse. He was promoted to Deputy Clerk at age 19, and successfully ran for the position of District Clerk in 1906. After ten years of service as District Clerk, he was elected Travis County Judge in 1916 (one of two in Travis County at the time). He participated in or witnessed numerous famous trials in Austin during his service in these various positions, and his recollections were collected as part of an oral history taped in 1969.

Judge Pickle lived in the house on 1515 Murray Lane for over forty five years, from the time it was built in 1926 until his death in 1972. An extensive file in the Austin History Center reflects his place in Austin history. An article in the collection dated July, 1964, recounts Judge Pickle's recollections of his work in the Travis County Courthouse, including his interactions with Texas Governor James Stephen Hogg (who served from 1891-95), T.W. Gregory, who was a prominent attorney during Judge Pickle's early days in the Courthouse (and for whom Gregory Gym at the University of Texas is named), and Albert S. Burleson, who served as Postmaster General under President Woodrow Wilson. The article also states: "Judge Pickle, who is 85 years of age and celebrated his 66th wedding anniversary on May 22, still practices law at his beautiful home, 1515 Murray Lane." The article concludes that Judge Pickle "has not only seen a great deal of development take place in Austin, but has spent his years in taking a vital part in the law of this community - by recording legal statistics, rendering opinions, and practicing law."

Judge Pickle's daughter, Dr. Mildred Mayhall, who also lived at 1515 Murray Lane for many years, is a famous Austinite in her own right. She grew up in Austin, attending Pease Elementary and Austin High. She obtained three degrees from the university of Texas (B.A. 1924, M.A. 1926, Ph.D. 1939), studying anthropology, sociology, and psychology. She taught at the University of Texas for twenty years until 1945, and then taught for many years in the Austin public school system (Austin High School, 1956-64). She wrote several anthropological studies of American Indians, including "The Kiowas" (University of Oklahoma Press, 1962), and Indian Wars of Texas (Texian Press, 1965). Her biography in the Handbook of Texas Online indicates that Dr. Mayhall's interests extended beyond anthropology to history (she was active in the Texas State Historical Association) and horticulture (she published a book on rose culture and developed several new strains of rose). A lengthy profile of Dr. Mayhall in the Austin-American Statesman (March 26, 1972) describes her books, teaching experiences at U.T. and Austin High, and her work as a horticulturist. A Kiwanis Club personal information card in the Austin History Center files reveals that Dr. Mayhall lived at the 1515 Murray Lane home at the time of her enrollment (1947-49). It is not known how long she lived there during the 47 years that her parents owned the property (her mother, Birdie Pickle, Judge Pickle's wife, died at the age of 95 in 1976, three years after selling the property).

An exchange in the Austin American-Statesman reflects the significance of the Pickle family in Austin. A question posed to the paper asks whether "Pickle Drive" located in East Austin near Gunter Street is named for Congressman Jake Pickle (who apparently was at best a distant relative of Judge Pickle). The answer was "no" - that Pickle Drive was named for Clara Pickle, whose grandfather was John Scott Pickle, Judge Pickle's father. The article cites Audray Bateman of the Austin History Center for its statement that "[t]he Pickles were a very, very old family in Austin."

As long-lived members of the Austin community, the Pickles spanned the entire history of Texas. Judge Pickle, who lived in the home until 1972, was the son of a Texan who was born in 1834 and who had fought in the Civil War.

Biographies of Dan & Patricia Herd

Dan Herd was a lawyer with Stubbeman, McRae, Sealy, Laughlin and Browder. He is currently a developer with Live Oak Development.

Biographies of Bill Pewitt & Shannon McCann

Bill Pewitt is a lobbyist, and held many political functions at 1515 Murray, honoring Supreme Court Judges and many other leaders of Texas politics.

Shannon McCann is in public relations, originally with GSD&M. In 1987, Shannon worked for the State Controller's Office and helped promote the new state lottery.

Biographies of Jordan Steiker & Lori Holleran

Jordan Steiker has lived in Austin for about 20 years. He is a professor at the University of Texas School of Law, where he teaches constitutional law, criminal law, and capital punishment law. Lori Holleran is a professor at the University of Texas School of Social Work. She is involved in community efforts to reduce adolescent drug and alcohol abuse. They have three middle-school age children (Eliza, Blake, and Aaron).

Hugh Jefferson Randolph Architects
Austin, Texas 512.796.4001

May 21, 2007

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter with regard to the application for Historical Designation of 1515 Murray Lane in Austin, Texas, 78703. My name is Hugh Jefferson Randolph and I was the architect who designed and enacted the renovation on this property in 1999. The goal of the renovation was to maintain the architectural integrity of the 1926 Tudor while adding several rooms to the rear of the home (1) with it appearing exactly as it did when it was built from the street, and (2) with internal consistency of style and materials (e.g., utilizing period in-wall magazine racks in every bathroom, consistent use of the same moldings and corbels throughout, etc.).

This letter is a testament to the care and attention to detail put into the rear addition to this historic home and I would be happy to help in any way to clarify the changes made to the home during its renovation. I can be reached at (512) 796-4001.

Sincerely,

Hugh Jefferson Randolph

