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WEST VIRGINIA HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY FORM

Street Address E side Ridge Road, N of Whitmer Road	Common/Historic Property Name/ Both "Lansdale"	Field Survey # Jefferson County 2005- 2006 Survey No. 10	Site # (SHPO Only) JF-0496
Town or Community vic. Shepherdstown	County Jefferson	Negative No. Jefferson County 2005-2006 Survey Roll 2, Negative 13-17	NR Listed Date n/a
Architect/Builder unidentified	Date of Construction c. 1790	Style central-passage double pile	
Exterior Siding/Materials ashlar sandstone	Roofing Material standing-seam metal	Foundation stone	
Property Use or Function Residence <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial Other	UTM # 18/255471/4364817		
Survey Organization & Date Taylor & Taylor Associates, for the Jefferson County Historic Landmarks Commis- sion, 2005-2006	Quadrangle Name Shepherdstown, WV		
Part of What Survey/FR# Jefferson County 2005-2006 Survey			

Sketch Map of Property
or Attach Copy of USGS Map

See Survey Report



Present Owners	Owner's Mailing Address
Phone #	
Describe Setting	_____ Acres
This property is located in rural Jefferson County, southwest of Shepherdstown. A ruin of an early stone building is behind the house.	_____ Archaeological Artifacts Present
Description of Buildings or Site (Original and Present)	_____ 2 _____ Stories _____ 5 _____ Front Bays
This is a 5-bay central-passage double pile stone house with a laterally-oriented gable roof and interior gable end stone chimneys. Fixed-light sash in pediments flanking chimneys. Fenestration is flat-topped, with 1/1 sash having replaced the original multi-light units/ Extending across the interior three bays on the facade is a hipped-roofed porch with original skirting, supported by Doric columns.	
<i>(Use Continuation Sheets)</i>	
Alterations <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> If yes, describe Yes No	
Additions <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> If yes, describe Yes No	An enclosed back porch of wood construction has been added to the house, well within the period of significance
Describe All Outbuildings	
Dependencies include the above-mentioned ruin and several small-scale agricultural outbuildings.	
<i>(Use Continuation Sheets)</i>	
Statement of Significance	
"Lansdale" was the home of the Lafferty family, who had acquired the tract from Thomas, Lord Fairfax, in 1751; it remained in their ownership until 1861. This property appears to meet National Register Criterion C for <i>architecture</i> , as a distinctive Jefferson County sandstone house—in a county where most historic stone houses are of limestone, although an inspection of the interior would be required to confirm this determination. It would be a contributing elements in a historic district should such a designation be sought for this section of Ridge Road.	
<i>(Use Continuation Sheets)</i>	
Bibliographical References	
See Survey Report	
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