# Ohio Historic Inventory

**Ohio Historic Preservation Office**  
Columbus, Ohio 43211

**#8**  
**SU01-108**  
**County:** Summit  
**Specific Location:** 805 Wye Road  
**City or Town:** Ghent  
**Site Plan with North Arrow:**

- **Coordinates:** West Richfield
- **U.T.M. Reference:**
  - **Easting:** 7 44 55 80 43 56 21 9
  - **Northing:** 7 0 5
  - **Building #:**
  - **Structure:**
  - **Object:**

**On National Register?** Yes ☐ No ☐  
**Part of Estab. Yes ☐ No ☐**

**Name of Established District:**

**Further Description of Important Features:**

Three bay wood frame house with original double-hung windows. Central entrance and a full, shed roof porch supported on turned posts and curved brackets with saw-tooth vertical siding in the gable ends. Double story rear addition with similar back porch.

**History and Significance:**

This is one of two buildings owned by William Barker in 1856, the other being one block north. This was probably his residence as it was in the residential section. Barker must have been prosperous, owning 371 acres in 1856, investing in 2 mills, and building a factory. (See SU01-107) By 1874 Barker had sold this house to J. Evans.

**Description of Environment and Outbuildings:**

The house faces a side residential street, with a creek to one side and a modern post-office to the other.

**Sources of Information:**

- Terrin, History of Summit Co., 1926.

**No. of Stones:** 2  
**Foundation Material:** Stone  
**Wall Construction:** Frame  
**Roof Type & Material:** Shingle  
**No. of Bays:** Front 3 Side 2  
**Wall Treatment:** Board  
**Plan Shape:** T shape  
**Condition Interior:** Fair  
**Condition Exterior:** Fair  
**Endangered:** No ☐ Yes ☐  
**Visible from Public Road?** Yes ☐ No ☑  
**Distance from and Frontage on Road:** 20'

**Prepared by:** Ford/Tucher  
**Organization:** AHS

**Date:** 3/77  
**Revision Date(s):**
June 22, 1979

Dr. E. W. Moats
779 Wye Street
Akron, Ohio 44313

Dear Dr. Moats:

I am pleased to inform you that the Bath Township Multiple Resource Area, Bath Township, has been entered in the National Register of Historic Places by the Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service, United States Department of the Interior.

The nomination was made in connection with a state plan to identify and document prehistoric and historic places in Ohio which qualify for National Register status under provisions of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966. All nominations are approved by the Ohio Historic Site Preservation Advisory Board.

Enclosed is information explaining the purposes and goals of the National Register of Historic Places.

Sincerely,

Thomas H. Smith
State Historic Preservation Officer
Director, Ohio Historical Society

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X. c: Bath Twp. Trustees
Summit County Commissioners
NEFCO
Eric Johannesen, Regional Preservationist
National Register of Historic Places File Checklist

The following materials are contained in this file of the National Register form for:

Name: Barker, William, Residence

County: Summit

MPD Cover Form: Bath Township MRA

County Filed In: Summit

Original National Register of Historic Places nomination form
Ohio Historic Inventory form

Photograph(s)

Photograph(s) (copies)

USGS map(s)

USGS map(s) (copies)

Sketch map(s)/figure(s)/exhibit(s)

Correspondence

Other

CES: 10/01