

Designation of the S.J. and Ollie Durham House

Applicant: Glenda Lamar

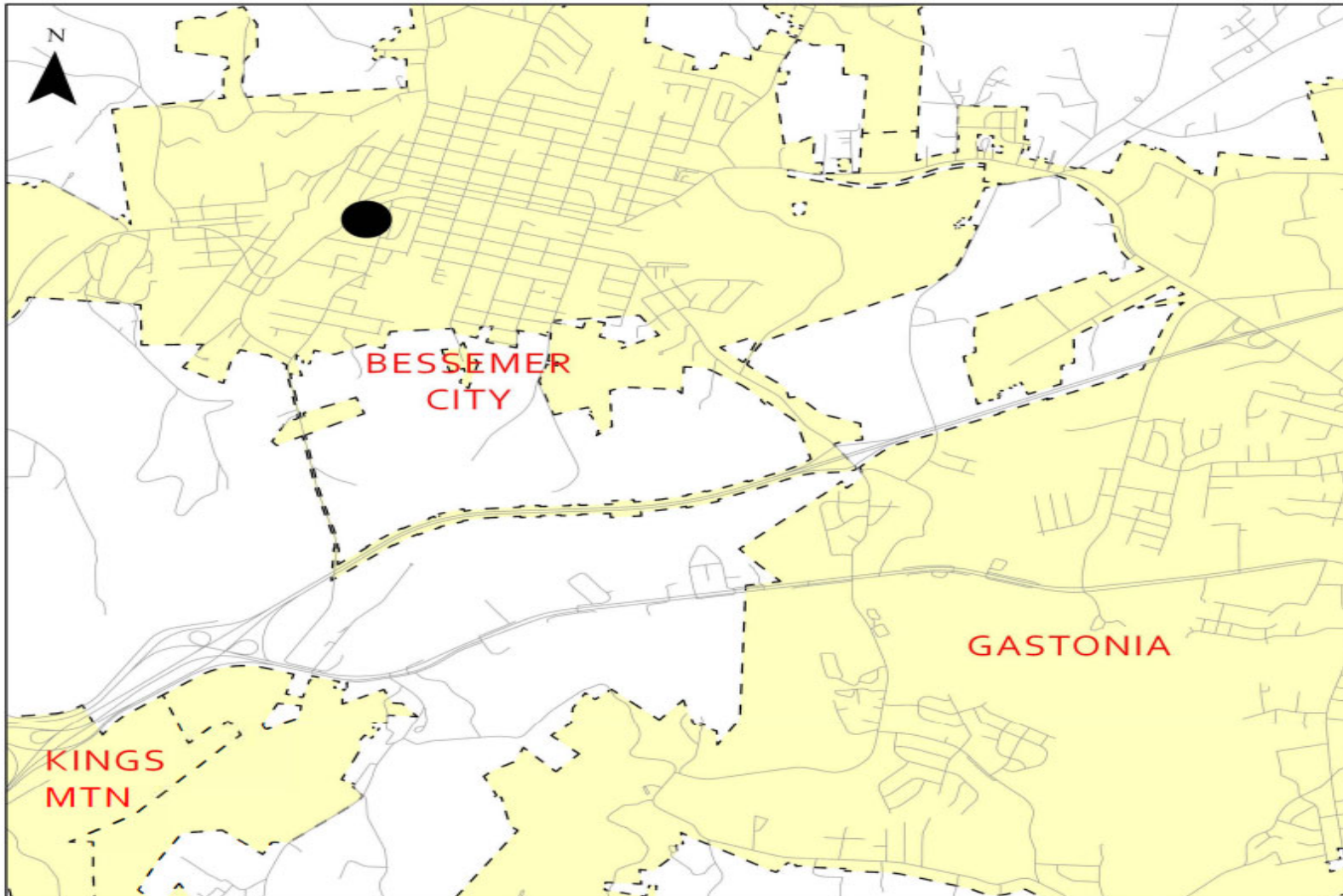
Owner(s): Glenda Lamar

Parcel: 121321

Location: 223 W. Alabama Ave. (Bessemer City)

Request: Designation as a historic property pursuant to Part 4, Chapter 160D of the General Statutes of North Carolina.





223 W. Alabama Ave.
Bessemer City

Legend

- Gaston County Line
- Municipalities
- Subject Property

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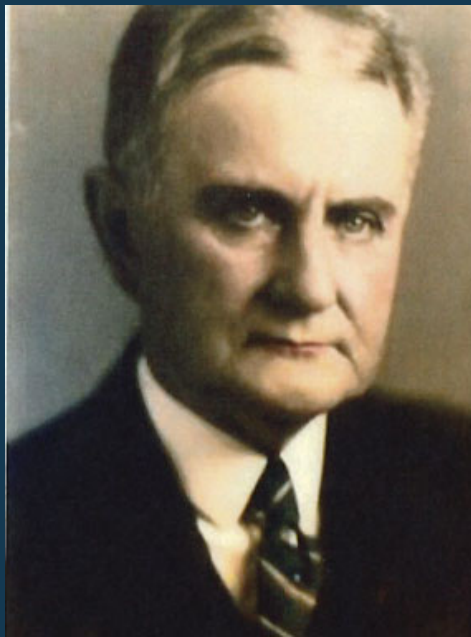
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The Durhams constructed Mt. Calm in free classic, Queen Anne style architecture. The two story home with basement has seven fireplaces with decorative mantels, classic Doric front porch columns, and stained-glass windows.

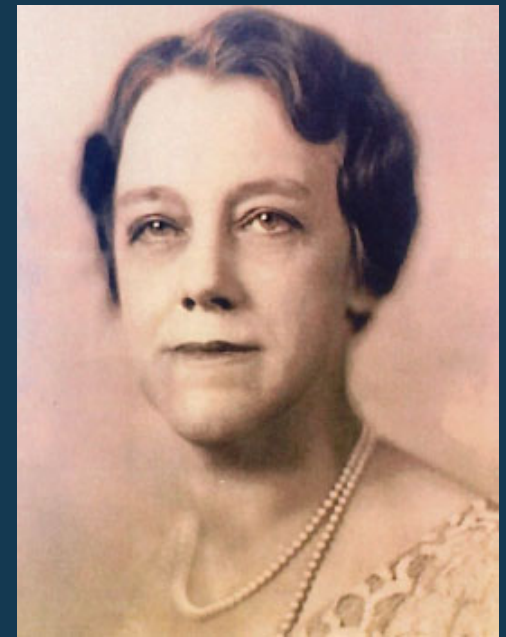


S.J. Durham



Mr. and Mrs. Durham

Ollie O. Durham



The Durhams were also special and designation is partially promoted because of their civic work, economic development, community and political leadership. S.J. moved among governors and presidents, lending his support and orations to church and civic groups. His wife, Ollie Odell Durham, daughter of John M. Odell, the Concord textile magnate, partnered with S. J. Durham to lead the Southern Cotton Mills (Osage), among other Bessemer City cotton manufacturing mills.



