

APPLICATION FOR TAX DEFERMENT
ON HISTORIC PROPERTY

1. Property owned by: Colonial Dames of America in State of North Carolina
2. Location of Property (Street Address): 438 South Main Street
3. Tax Block No. 559 Tax Lot No. 107
4. Historical significance of property and why it should be considered:
Within the Old Salem Historic District (now declared a Registered National Historic Landmark by the National Parks Service) are both restored and reconstructed buildings which as a whole present a visual and authentic representation of the community of Salem between 1766 and 1850. This structure is considered by Old Salem, Inc. an integral part of the total landscape. Subject to Zoning Ordinance Section 29-1, any exterior changes to or interior uses of this property are strictly governed by the local Historic Districts Commission.
Completed in 1768, the Fourth House is today one of the rare, remaining examples of Germanic half-timber construction in America. Given transient use during the last quarter of the eighteenth century, the Fourth House is the oldest standing structure in Old Salem.
5. Describe present condition of property. What restoration, if any, is planned or has been done? Submit 2 x 2 slides showing exterior of property on all four sides and interior slides, if important:

This building was restored in 1966 to its 1768 appearance under the direction of Old Salem, Inc. in accordance with Old Salem restoration standards. It is presently in excellent condition.

6. I have read G.S. 105-277(f) and understand that this is a tax deferment and not an exemption, and if I fail to comply with the requirements of G.S. 105-277(f), I will be liable for the deferred taxes for the preceding five years plus interest.

The information I have provided is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Mrs. Claude B. Strickland, Jr.
Signature
South Committee, Colonial Dames of America in
State of North Carolina

Date June 7, 1976

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William Sprang J. Alderson
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for Colonial Dames of America

2/28/77

Date

1768 Fourth House
Block 559, Lot 49B 107



Fourth House - OS - 559-49B
Lot 50 (438 S. Main St.). The half timbered storey-and-a-half-central chimney FOURTH HOUSE, completed early in 1768 was given transient use until January of 1772 when the Charles Holders (saddler) moved in. After his death in 1808 the Gottlieb Clauders lived there until his death in 1843. Henry Ruede was the next tenant. Thereafter there were numerous owners. The house was moved back and altered in 1889-90. The Joseph Winston Chapter of the Colonial Dames of America bought the front part of the lot in 1936 and partially restored the FOURTH HOUSE. Old Salem leased the FOURTH HOUSE in 1965, moved it to its original site and restored it through the generosity of Mrs. P. Huber Hanes, Sr., Mrs. Robert M. Hanes, and Mrs. S. Clay Williams.