

APPLICATION FOR TAX DEFERMENT
ON HISTORIC PROPERTY

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2. Location of Property (Street Address): 736 South Main Street
3. Tax Block No. 571 Tax Lot No. 111, ~~102~~ 202

4. Historical significance of property and why it should be considered:

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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 1968 to its 1816 appearance under the direction of and in accordance with the exacting standards of Old Salem. The building 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.


 Signature R. Arthur Spaug, Jr.
 President, Old Salem, Inc.

June 6, 1976
 Date

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Salem Tavern & Salem Tavern Dining Rooms - OS 571-111, 102

The second SALEM TAVERN, also of two stories, was rebuilt that year of brick, the first such structure in Salem, making use of the older foundation, somewhat enlarged to the south. The kitchen wing was attached to the rear. The Main Street frontage had, by 1840, been reduced to 356 feet, the size now reassembled by Old Salem through purchase of 11 properties, the lease of Salem Tavern proper from the Wachovia Historical Society, the closing of Washington Street, and the removal of nine non-conforming later buildings. Alterations and additions to the original Tavern included an additional frame wing paralleling the rear kitchen wing and a two-storey frame "boarding house" built in 1816. This latter was restored, from the exterior, as SALEM TAVERN DINING ROOMS in 1968, through the generosity of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Slick and the Pleasant Henderson Hanes Foundation. The older brick Tavern came to the Wachovia Historical Society in 1941 as a gift from Richard J. Reynolds. The Society's partial restoration was completed by Old Salem in 1956 through a gift of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Slick. Restoration of the brick Tavern included the removal of a two-storey porch which was added to the building in 1838, and the reconstruction of the original one-storey porch. A "new dining hall," constructed in 1832 between the brick Tavern and the "boarding house" of 1816, was removed in 1897, and the restoration of the north building (Salem Tavern Dining Rooms) included the removal of a north addition of 1853.

There were many outbuildings to the rear and south of the two main structures. These enclosed a courtyard. The south structures were large barns, two being combined to form one, and then this being replaced by a single structure in 1803, this latter structure described as covered with "feather-edge boards" and with roof painted red and the walls yellow. The structure disappeared before the turn of the century. It was replaced, in 1961 with an old TAVERN BARN given to the restoration by

Mrs. Theo. L. Taliaferro. The barn dates in the 1830's, but is of a frame type of much earlier date. It was removed from the old Dr. Beverly Jones farm north of Bethania.

