

APPLICATION FOR TAX DEFERMENT
ON HISTORIC PROPERTY

1. Property owned by: (Miss) Margaret C. Brietz
2. Location of Property (Street Address): 5118 Main Street
3. Tax Block No. 565 Tax Lot No. 102
4. Historical significance of property and why it should be considered:

Built by Home Moravian Congregation in 1820 and leased to first occupant, Rudolph Henry Herbst, who moved in with his young wife (they were a newly married couple) in May 1821. He was the village candle maker and made and sold leather goods in a shop on the lot until Rudolph's death in 1833. Following tenure by several other tenants, the church sold the house, shop, and soap to my grandparents, Charles and Margaret Morrow Brietz 10/28/61, though they occupied it earlier. My grandfather made the leather for boots and saddles here for southern soldiers in Civil War. My grandmother boarded at request of Salem College the parents of girls coming to Salem College via stage coach from many surrounding states since Salem remained open all during Civil War. Her reputation as a good cook led to an order from General Sherman that she feed his troops en route north after taking (over)

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 house has marvelously withstood the test of time, its original structure is intact and "Old Salem", through Mr. Frank Horton, is believed to have used our old attic windows as measurements for those to be in restored houses. I am making repairs and renovations as money permits. No external structure has been changed since my father moved it back from the street in 1891 and 1892.

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.

Margaret C. Brietz
Signature

3/1/77
Date

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Hopefully, the shop, stable and soap bin should be restored, but impossible in my life time.

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511 South Main Street



Herbst House - P. Miss Margaret Brietz

Lot 33 (511 S. Main St.). The Heinrich Rudolph HERBST HOUSE was built in 1821. In its original form it was a two-storey frame central chimney structure over a full cellar floor opening onto the street. It was the first house in Salem to have the over-the-street porch. Herbst built a separate saddler's shop south of his dwelling in 1829. The property was deeded to Charles Brietz in 1861, and is still owned by his descendants. About 1890 the dwelling was moved back from the street, losing its cellar floor, and was considerably modernized by the removal of its central chimney, rebuilding of a two-chimney plan, and almost complete change in its fenestration. We do not know the fate of the little 16 by 20 foot shop. It was rebuilt late in the 19th century, but that too has been lost.