

**Historic Property** Chambers House  
**Inventory Report for** 2518 Fire Court SE Olympia, Thurston, 98501

**LOCATION SECTION**

Historic Name: Chambers House  
 Common Name: (#34-866)  
 Property Address: 2518 Fire Court SE Olympia, Thurston, 98501  
 Comments: OLYMPIA  
 Field Site No.: 887  
 OAHP No.:

County      Township/Range/EW      Section      1/4 Sec      1/4 1/4 Sec      Quadrangle  
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**UTM Reference**

Zone: 10      Spatial Type: Point      Acquisition Code: TopoZone.com  
 Sequence: 0      Easting: 510380      Northing: 5208180

Tax No./Parcel No.      Plat/Block/Lot  
12824440106      SE SE Lot 2 24-18-2W SS-5672

Supplemental Map(s)      Acreage  
City of Olympia Planning Department      < one

**IDENTIFICATION SECTION**

Field Recorder: Shanna Stevenson      Date Recorded: 7/1/1997      Survey Name: OLYMPIA

Owner's Name:      Owner Address:      City/State/Zip:  
Mark Dierkx      2514 Fire Court SE      Olympia, WA 98501

Classification: Building      Resource Status      Comments

Within a District? No      Survey/Inventory  
 Contributing?      Local Register

National Register Nomination: 0  
 Local District:  
 National Register District/Thematic Nomination Name:

**DESCRIPTION SECTION**

Historic Use: Domestic - Single Family House  
 Current Use: Domestic - Single Family House  
 Plan: Square      No. of Stories: 1 1/2

Structural System: Balloon Frame

Changes to plan: <u>Intact</u>	Changes to interior: <u>Slight</u>
Changes to original cladding: <u>Intact</u>	Changes to other:
Changes to windows: <u>Intact</u>	Other (specify):
Cladding <u>Wood - Clapboard</u>	Foundation <u>Concrete - Poured</u>
Style <u>Vernacular</u>	Form/Type <u>Single Family - American Foursquare</u>
Roof Material <u>Asphalt / Composition</u>	Roof Type <u>Hip</u>

**NARRATIVE SECTION**

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<b>Study Unit</b>	<b>Other</b>	<b>Date Of Construction:</b> <u>1915</u>
<u>Agriculture</u>		<b>Architect:</b>
<u>Architecture/Landscape Architecture</u>		<b>Builder:</b>
		<b>Engineer:</b>

**Property appears to meet criteria for the National Register of Historic Places:** No  
**Property is located in a historic district (National and/or local):** No  
**Property potentially contributes to a historic district (National and/or local):**

**Statement of Significance** This Craftsman style house is located southeast Olympia in what would have been the rural section of the city until recent years. The vernacular house was part of a hazelnut and holly farm in the area. Remnants of those trees are evident in the adjacent housing areas which were once part of the property. The setting of the property has been changed significantly by the subdivision of the adjacent property and construction of newer houses. According to available information, the house was built by J. Bert and Marion Chambers about 1915. It is not known with certainty that this family is related to the Chambers Prairie family.

**Description of Physical Appearance** Historic Features: 1. One and one half story square shaped vernacular house. 2. Narrow clapboard cladding with a plain frieze and corner boards. 3. Bell cast hipped roofline with wide eaves. 4. Hipped roof dormer on the east facade. 5. Windows are double hung sash. 6. The porch is recessed on the northeast corner. It has rounded supports and a low railing with the same cladding as the rest of the house. 7. Root cellar/outbuilding of complementary design. Non-historic additions: Newer front door.

**Major Bibliographic References** Source: Information from Pioneer Title Company Records, Assessor's Office and Polk City Directories

**PHOTOS**

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**View of** Southeast Corner  
**taken** 7/1/1997  
**Photography Neg. No. (Roll No./Frame No.):**  
42-26A  
**Comments:**