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## Quick House

*3 acres with Historic Residence,  
Marfa, Presidio County, Texas*



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## Marfa- Quick House

*Two Story Adobe on 3 Acres*

*Marfa, Presidio County, Texas*

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### Location

The Quick House was built originally in 1920 by Mrs E.B. Quick as a two story adobe boarding house and sits just inside the City limits of Marfa Texas on the edge of town. The house fronts on Washington Street and is just across the road from the historic Brite Ranch where you can see Mt Livermore and the Davis Mountains to the north towering over Chihuahuan Desert Grasslands. The Quick House is located on one of the highest hills in the city with wonderful area views especially from the second floor porch and windows. The property consists not only of a 4 bedroom 3 bath two story adobe home, but also has a 1 bedroom 1 bath guest Casita, Barn, and extensive garden and grounds, all on three acres. The property has been remodeled three times in the last 8 years into a grand home with the current owner putting the finishing touches on this unique lovely Marfa heritage homestead.

### Acreage

3 acres in Presidio County, Marfa, Texas

## Main House Description

### Main House Overall

The Quick House constructed in 1920, was owned and remodeled by well-known Designer Bob Zetnick in 2003, upgraded in 2006 by Joe Harvey Allen, and again by the recent owner. This 4 bedroom, 2 story Adobe home has bead board ceilings and hardwood floors and outbuildings. This historic home has all the charm of a historic building with modern finishes and appliances of a new home. The interior throughout the house including walls, floors and ceilings have been recently repainted. All electrical outlets and plates have been replaced and lights have switches with dimmers. New copper screens have been installed throughout the house, including doors and windows. The Main house is wired for wireless internet, telephone, and dish TV. Door and hinge hardware have been replaced. Upper Terrance wired for four exterior sconces.

### Kitchen

The Kitchen is a dream with a recent remodel all done within a professional custom design.

- New custom painted cabinets (Farrow & Ball).
- Custom cut Carrera Marble counter top.
- Porcelain Farmhouse, 2-bowl Kitchen Sink with New Fixtures, sprayer.
- Sink with new disposal wired to push button switch above sink.
- Custom "Ranch Style" open floating shelves.
- ALL New Appliances.



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- Sub Zero Refrigerator with Glass Door (110) w/ ice maker / Stainless Steel.
- Wolf 36" 6-Burner Gas Range Stove (110) Stainless Steel with a 20" Stainless Steel Backsplash.
- Vent-A-Hood Duct Cover / Stainless Steel.
- 24" Kenmore Dishwasher (110) Stainless Steel.
- Wired for telephone in kitchen.
- 5 outlets for appliance (above counter).
- New Custom Hand Painted concrete tile floor throughout (including Pantry & Laundry).
- Upgraded pantry with new paint.
- Fresh paint throughout (walls/floor/ceiling).
- Upgraded all electrical outlets and plates.
- All light switches are on dimmers.
- Custom Cabinet Hardware.

### **Master Bedroom**

The master bedroom is located upstairs with a master bath at the end of the grand hallway. There is also a wonderful large covered porch that opens in the Master end of the house that is a space unto itself. Use it as a sleeping day porch or just enjoying the distant mountain landscape and sweeping grassland views this porch brings the outdoors indoors and the indoor outside. The Master end of the house as well has undergone extensive remodel that include:

- New Bathroom fixtures.
- Original free standing tub.
- Newly painted wood floors.
- New wiring for bathroom sconces.
- New toilet with custom fixtures.
- Fresh paint throughout (walls/floor/ceiling).
- Refinished walls.
- Salvaged Crown Molding and Bead-board ceiling to original finish.
- New sink Fixtures.
- Added GFI outlet for hair dryer.
- Custom floating shelves (3 at tub and one at vanity).

### **Guest Rooms and Baths**

One guest room and a bath downstairs with 2 bedrooms and 1 bath upstairs. There is a Yoga Room downstairs that could also be used as a fourth bedroom. Wood floors have all been refinished and the bedrooms have new paint. The views from the upstairs bath and bedrooms are amazing.

### **Dining and Living Rooms**

The main entrance opens into a lovely natural lighted living room from a large grand covered porch. The walkway up to the porch on both sides of the sidewalk is landscaped in a variety of rose bushes that are all on an irrigation system. There is a backdoor that opens from the living room out onto a wonderful immaculate PG gravel outdoor private entertainment area that has custom designed night lighting.

The formal dining room is off the living room which has a large window looking out into the landscaped yard and entertainment area. The kitchen opens into the dining room providing a convenient pleasant cooking and dining experience.

There is a den or music room off to the left of the main entrance and living room for quieter reading and more intimate experiences. Also a family or TV room is located upstairs at the top of the beautiful open main staircase.

Also located on the first floor is the Yoga room that could also be the fourth bed room. Upstairs at the end of the beautiful hallway is a storage room located next to the back staircase that leads down to the kitchen and utility room.

## **Barn and Gardens**

There is a refinished Barn or workspace/studio that is behind the house next to a native plant landscaped outdoor sitting area high on the hill with great distant views and cool afternoon breezes. The entire grounds around the house and Casita have been recently landscaped with an extensive underground water system. To the west of the Casita is a world class Garden and Orchard that in past years was used to produce a bounty of fresh herbs, vegetables, and fruit. Although the garden has not been used in recent years there is a well thought out plan designed as well as the water and infrastructure is all there. All along Washington Street the current owner has planted on a drip system native trees to provide a growing fence.

## **Casita**

Just when you think how could there be more, there is a private circle gravel drive through the grounds that separate the main house from the Casita which is a 1 bedroom 1 bath efficiency apartment with kitchen and beautiful designer bathroom. A new privacy fence was recently built providing a wonderful outdoor private sitting area and front entrance. There is a shed roof off the west side of the Casita for covered outdoor storage for the Gardens and grounds as well as for bikes used for an easy ride through Marfa.

## **Price**

\$725,000

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### 1301 W. Washington – Quick House History

In November of 2003 I was approached by a woman named Kathleen Stapp. She is the cousin of two granddaughters of Mr. and Mrs. E.B. Quick. The granddaughters, Colleen Norton of College Station and Barbara Carr of Waco, sent me some photocopies and letters regarding the house history. The house built around 1920 by Mrs. E.B. Quick and originally sat on 13 acres. From what I was told Mr. E.B. Quick moved the family to Imperial Valley, California and he passed away there. Mrs. Quick brought the family back to Marfa and built the house for income purposes. There were two apartments upstairs and the south apartment seemed to always stay rented. The other apartment unit, Lois MacDonald (nee Quick), her husband and daughters, lived in for approximately 10 years. From what I understand the Rawlins family bought the house in the late 30's, followed by the Gilley family in the late 60's. (Andy White owned it after that, followed by the Masons until we bought it in 2003) The 1 story structure to the west side of the house was used for coal storage (for heating), a barn and a garage

One early photo shows the house under construction with the adobe bricks exposed. The large photo shows the finished house with a garden on the south (right in photo) side of the house. On the left side of the photo you can see the cement tank (now a roofed barn) and the cistern. Barbara noted that there was a big engine in an engine house (now gone) that pumped the water for the house into the cistern. The overflow went into the big, cement tank for irrigation and a "private swimming pool". The vines growing on the front porch are honeysuckle which Barbara noted; "I loved those". On the south side of the house of the house was an orchard. There is one photo showing Lois MacDonald, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E.B. Quick, holding a dog in the orchard.

E.B. Quick was a blacksmith and mechanic who owned the Marfa Manufacturing Co. which became the first car agency in Marfa. He sold Maxwell automobiles from the agency. Lois Quick, his daughter, became the first woman to drive a car in Marfa. In one photo (ca. 1910-1912) Lois Quick (center), Minnie Jo Farmer and an unidentified gentleman stand in front of an early touring car (possibly a Maxwell?) with the courthouse fence and jail in the distance. In 1926 Maxwell was absorbed by Chrysler and one photograph to the west side of the house shows what appears to be (judging from the radiator shell, headlamps and radiator ornament) an early Chrysler (ca. 1926-1928).

Finally, Barbara sent a photo of the Marfa flood of 1920 looking towards the courthouse on Highland Avenue.

The house currently retains most of its original linoleum floors from 1920 upstairs, the original built-in cabinets in the living and dining rooms and several of the original bathroom fixtures.

Bob Zetnick and Kevin Davis.



















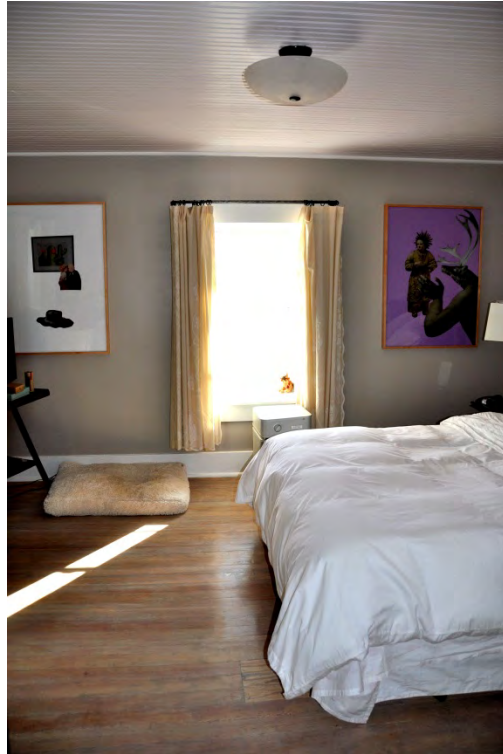










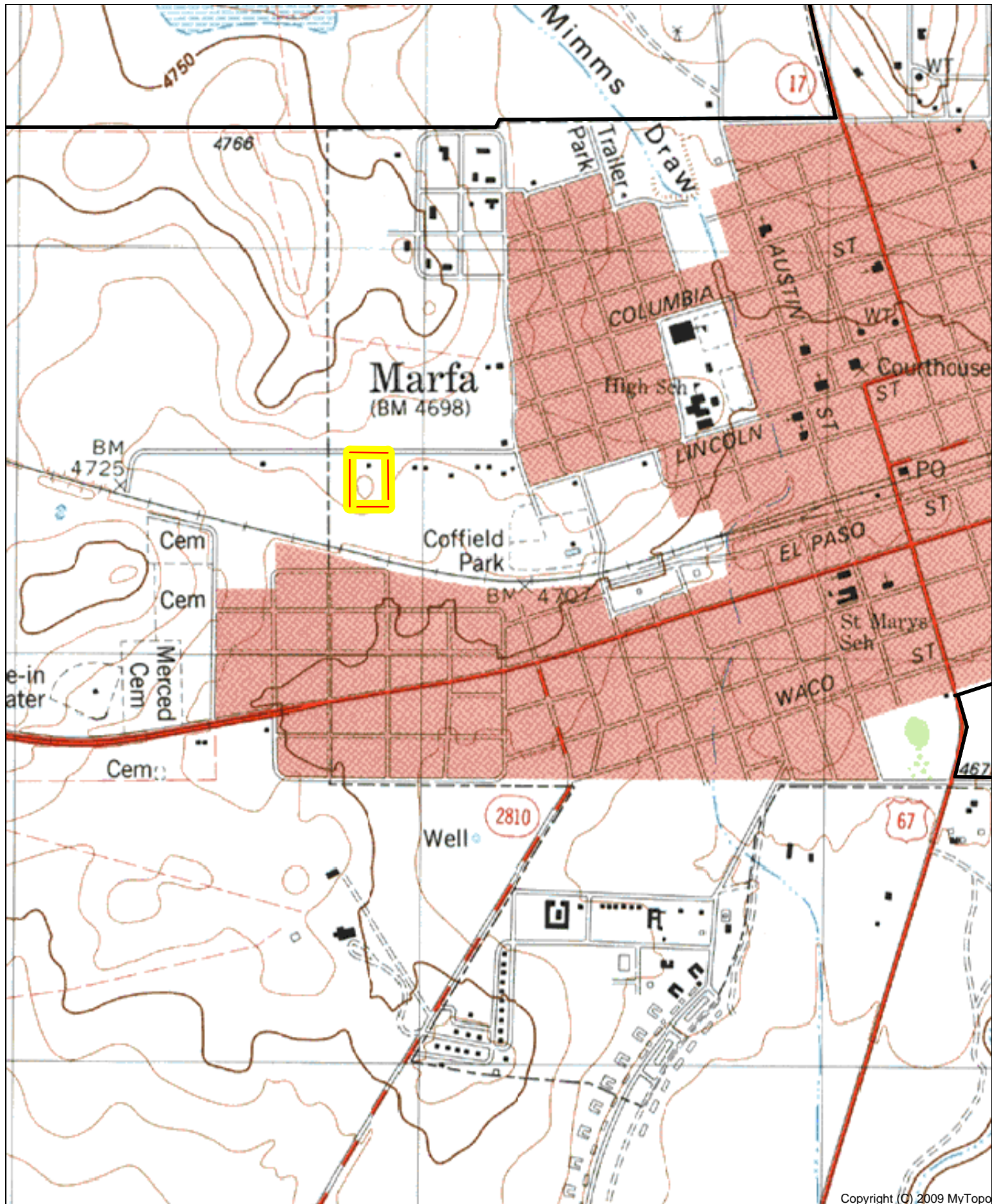












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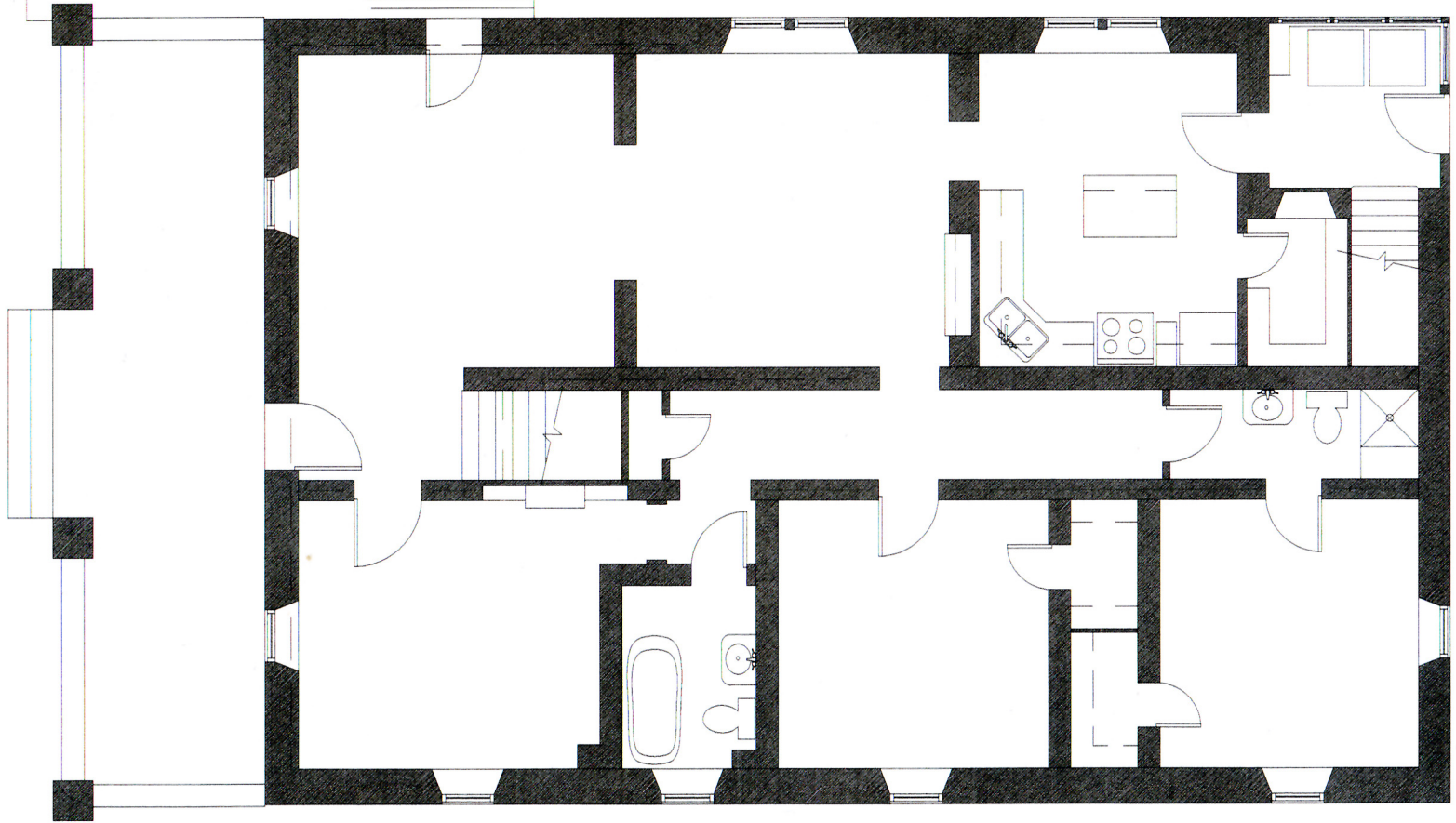
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LINE OF THE 3.0 ACRE TRACT

I hereby certify that this plot represents the results of an actual survey on the ground made by me or under my direct supervision and that the lines and corners found or set are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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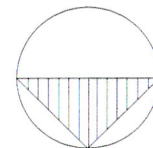


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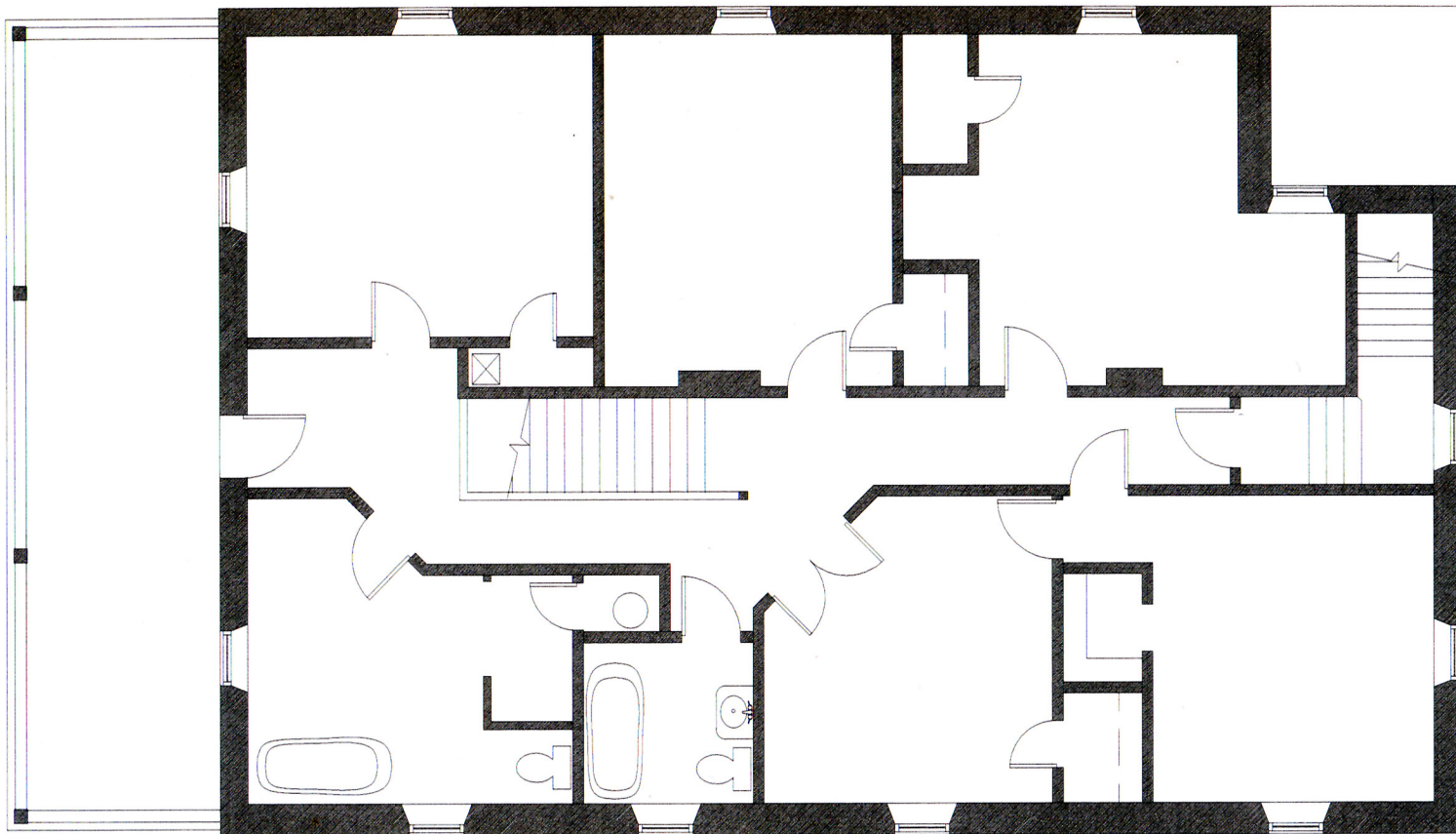
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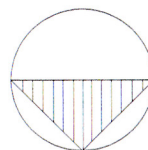




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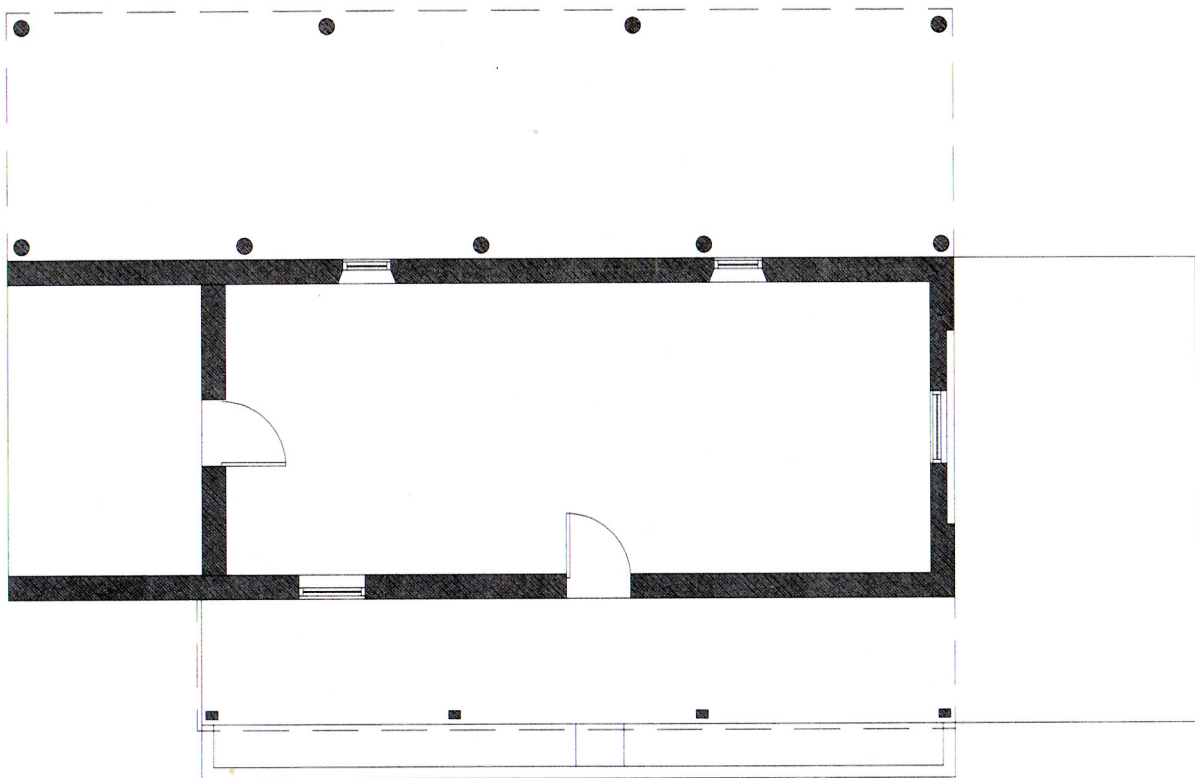
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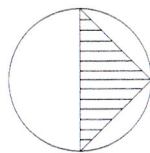




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