

**BEAUFORT COUNTY  
HISTORIC SITES SURVEY - 1997**

Statewide Survey Site Form  
State Historic Preservation Office  
South Carolina Department of Archives and History  
Columbia, SC

INTENSIVE LEVEL SITE INVENTORY FORM

Site Number: U - 13 - 227

Brockington Associates, Inc. • Brooker Architectural Design Consultants  
Historic Beaufort Foundation • Preservation Consultants, Inc.

USGS Quad: 046 Bluffton  
Doc. Level: Intensive Level-Site

Historic name(s): Secession Oak

Tax Number: R600 039 000 0031 0000  
Island:

Common name(s):

Address/location: 45 Stock Farm Rd.

City/Vicinity of (vic.) Bluffton vic.

Date: n/a Alteration date:

Ownership:  1. private  2. city  3. county  4. state  5. federal  6. unknown

Category:  1. building  2. site  3. structure  4. object

Historic use(s): tree Current uses: tree

National Register Status:

Action:

Date:

Listing Name:

NRIS #

Local Designation:

Potential:

Source of Evaluation:

Number of Related Resources:

Previous Survey:

Reference:

Photograph:



Photographs:

- prints
- slides
- negatives

Date: 5/6/97

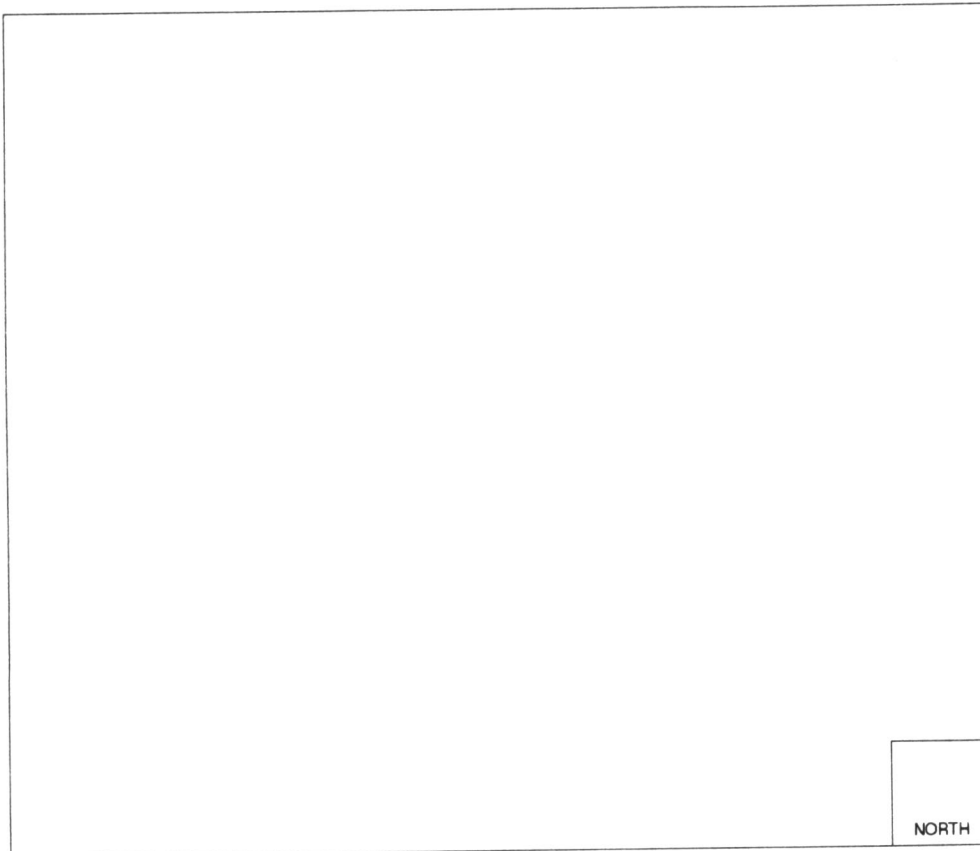
Recorder: S. Fick, Preservation Consultants

Roll # Neg. View of:  
F4 19 facing west

Surroundings: residential

Acreage:

Sketch:



Description: Live oak tree with expansive canopy, set on level ground near May River and the old road from Bluffton to Savannah (SC 46). Being maintained by professional arborists.

Alterations: Alteration date: Integrity:  excellent  good  fair  poor  Other...

Historical Data: A meeting held under this tree 7/31/1844 gave rise to the Bluffton Movement, political activities against Tariff. Robert Barnwell Rhett addressed a local group organized by Dr. Daniel Hamilton and others.

Informant/ Bibliography: B. Palmer Caldwell, Jr., ed., "A Short History of the Early Days of Bluffton, S. C." Bluffton Historical Society, 1983.