1. NAME(s), historic/common: Barnes, Bernard-Wellford, Elizabeth House

2. LOCATION, street/road:
66 Abney Circle

city/town: Charleston

3. USE/FUNCTION, present: residence

original: residence

4. OWNER/ADDRESS, present: Mrs. Betty Wellford

address above:

original: Bernard Barnes

5. PHOTO/SKETCH OF:

6. LOCALE/ENVIRONMENT (map):

7. PLAN (include approx. dimensions):

8. ACREAGE (approx.):

1 acre
9. **DESCRIPTION (clarify as appropriate):**

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**d. Associated Structures (use type):**

- outbuildings: studio
- dependencies: NONE
- other: N/A

**e. Integrity (include dates):**

- original site/relocated
- alterations: NONE
- additions: NONE

**f. Condition:**

- excellent ×
- good
- fair
- deteriorated
- abandoned

**g. Threats:** NONE

10. **SIGNIFICANCE (use additional sheet if necessary):**

- **Architect/Builder/Engineer:** The Barnes-Wellford home is a significant South Hills home designed in the 1920's by Fred Crowthers for Bernard Barnes, a leading Charleston businessman, and his wife Dorothy Dyer Barnes.

- **Style/Period:** English Cottage

- **Date(s):** c.1927

Fred Crowthers was an English-born architect who worked in Charleston for several years. His Manor Place Apartments, which are in Charleston's East End Historic District, were built at this time. He was the architect for two exceptional residences in South Hills: the Barnes and the Merrill homes.

His work in Charleston was in the English Tudor Style.

11. **BIBLIOGRAPHY:**

- Charleston City Directories
- Interview with Mrs. John B. Merrill, June 29, 1983.
- Interview with Betty Wellford, July 15, 1983

12. **FORM PREPARED BY** Alice Carter ; DATE Sept. 30, 1983

- a. Address: 4011 Kanawha Avenue, Charleston WV 25304
- b. Organization
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The Barnes residence is smaller than the Merrill house and is more of a cottage than a manor design, which is the style of the Merrill house. Bernard Barnes was an executive in the Pennsylvania Life Insurance Company. He originally owned all the land on Barnes Place, which he later divided and sold. Landon C. Wellford and his wife Elizabeth bought the home in 1951. Mrs. Wellford resides there today.

13. Verbal Boundary Description

An approximately one acre rectangular lot, 200' by 200', that is bounded on the west by Abney Circle North and is bounded on the south and east by Barnes Place; Lot No. 247, Kanawha County Tax Map No. 5, 15th Ward-16 (4-15-1965).