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Kalan

As I told you previously, I had been advised that the columns on the front porch are not original. I have attached a letter from Jack Balagia, the son and an heir, to this effect. Due to the passage of time, I am not able to produce plans and other evidence of this. However, Mr. Balagia's letter provides some clues and I am hopeful that the city's records will reflect this.

Regarding John C. White's occupancy of the house, TCAD lists the date of construction as 1963. I am not certain he was the original owner but, assuming he was, he would have lived there a maximum of 7 years until 1970 when his ex-wife conveyed the property to the Balagias. Given the nature of divorce proceedings, I suspect it was much less time than this. This was clearly not his lifetime or ancestral home.

Agriculture commissioner is listed as the 6th ranked office in Texas which is not exactly a prominent position. I doubt you could find very many people who know Sid Miller is the current commissioner. And, sans going to Google as I did, I believe you would be hard pressed to find more than one in a thousand Texans who could name two or more of his predecessors (there were 6 after John White). Thus, I think it is a real stretch to consider him a historic figure.

I am still waiting to see the backup materials (please let me know when they have been posted) and may have some more comments after I review them. In the interim, please let me know if you are able to research the permit(s) from the 1980s.

Thanks

Ross

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