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Title Sign for Hayes's Inn

Date 1828

Primary Maker Obadiah Hayes Jr.

Medium Paint on pine board, maple or birch rails and stiles, probably ash

molding wrapped around board, unidentified hardwood moldings on frame,

gold leaf, iron hardware

Description Images: On side 1, eagle's head and upper body atop outline of

globe, centered on oval board with serrated border; on top rail, a leafy sprig. On

side 2, eight-petaled floret, centered on oval board with plain band border. Text:

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On side 1, on bottom rail, "HAYES' INN". On side 2, on top rail, "1828"; on bottom rail, "O. HAYES." Construction: Single oval board, grain oriented horizontally, scroll-sawn into oval shape. Flat, horizontal rails and flat, rectangular stiles. Oval board is wrapped in an ash or hickory strap, curved to shape and nailed to board. Large spikes, set in place before the sign was assembled, hold the oval board to the frame at the center of top, bottom, and both sides. Rails are joined to stiles with single through-tenons and double-pinned. Bullnosed strap moldings are nailed to the top and bottom edges of each rail. No pediment or skirt.

Dimensions Other (height x width of sign only): 28 1/8 x 33 1/4in. (71.4 x 84.5cm)