

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Continuation Sheet

Johnson, Elisha, Mansion
----- Name of Property
Monroe County, Tennessee
----- County and State
74001923
----- NR Reference Number

Request for Removal

State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended,
I hereby certify that this ___ additional documentation ___ move X removal
___ name change (additional documentation) ___ other
meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic
Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60.

Signature of Certifying Official/Title:
Holly Barnett, Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

Date of Action

National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that this property is:
___ entered in the National Register
___ determined eligible for the National Register
___ determined not eligible for the National Register
___ removed from the National Register
___ additional documentation accepted
___ other (explain:) _____

Signature of the Keeper

Date

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Justification for Removal

The Elisha Johnson Mansion was listed in the National Register of Historic Places on December 24, 1974, for architectural and industrial history significance. In 1996, the mansion was damaged by a fire (see Figure 1). In 2001, the mansion was dismantled. A local news site reported that the owner intended to rebuild the building (see Figure 2), but that did not occur. A site visit in March 2022 confirmed the building was not extant (see Figure 3). Due to its demolition, the Elisha Johnson Mansion has lost the characteristics for which it was listed and should be removed from the National Register of Historic Places.

Supporting Documentation



Figure 1: Elisha Johnson Mansion after a fire. Photo taken by Claudette Stager, July 1996, TN-SHPO.

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News Briefs



April 2001



Johnson Mansion Being Torn Down To Be Rebuilt

The historic Johnson Mansion on Tellico River was built in 1846 by Elisha Johnson. The mansion was damaged by fire in recent years and the roof was badly damaged.

Dwayne Cardin said, "The mansion was in such bad shape, it is easier to tear it down and rebuild it."

A crew has been carefully tearing down and cataloging the structure so it can be rebuilt in the next few years. It is to be restored on or near the original site.

Figure 2: Screenshot of an online news article reporting on the Elisha Johnson Mansion being dismantled, April 2001

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Figure 3: Former site of the Elisha Johnson Mansion. Photo taken March 28, 2022, by Rebecca Schmitt, TN-SHPO