

## 1687 Fort Lamar Road

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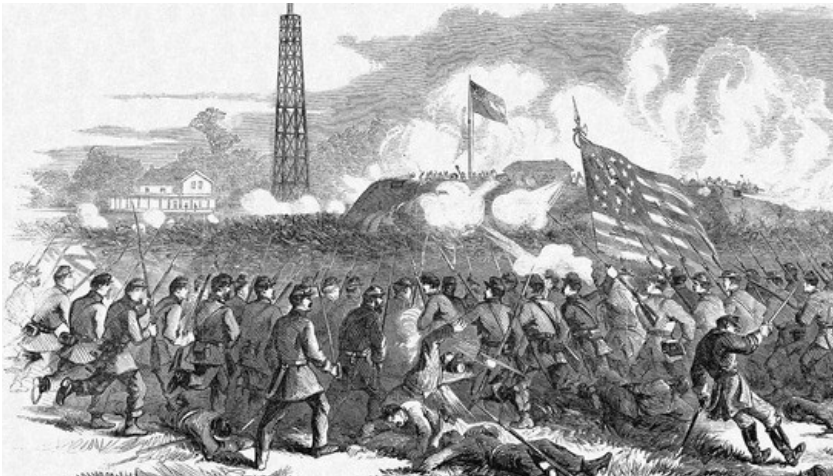
*Owner: Caroline Forgason*

*Architect: Dufford Young Architects*

*Contractor: Artis Construction  
(Exterior Carolopolis Award)*

Built circa 1837, **Secessionville Manor** is a vernacular raised plantation style house designed in the Greek Revival style and defined by its unique U-shaped piazza with classical, square, fluted columns. The house was likely designed and built by Edward H. Freer, the only skilled carpenter living on James Island at the time, as a summer residence for cotton planter, Rawlins Rivers.

The highlight of the 2017-2019 rehabilitation project was the removal of inappropriate infill at bays below the porch, as well as the refenestration of the remaining infilled bays to reflect a more appropriate treatment. Also of note was the replacement of the non-historic 1/1 window within the gable with an elegant fanlight window. Other historic fabric including windows, doors, siding, trim, and roofing were repaired or replaced in-kind, and the porch structure was stabilized by repointing masonry piers, sistering historic frame members, and realigning skewed columns.



*View of Secessionville Manor in "The Battle of Secessionville," Frank Leslie's Illustrated Newspaper, 1862*



*Before*



*After*