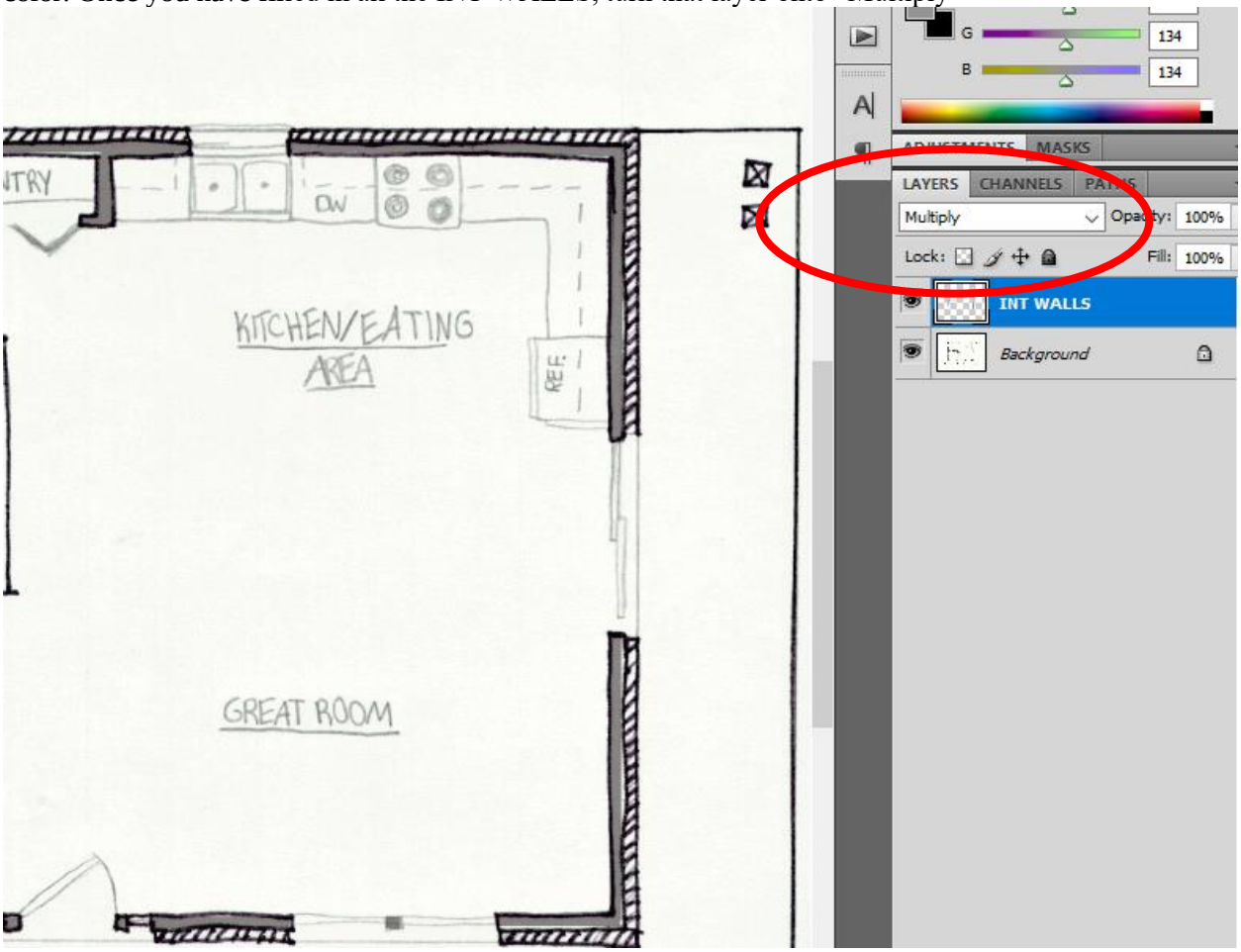
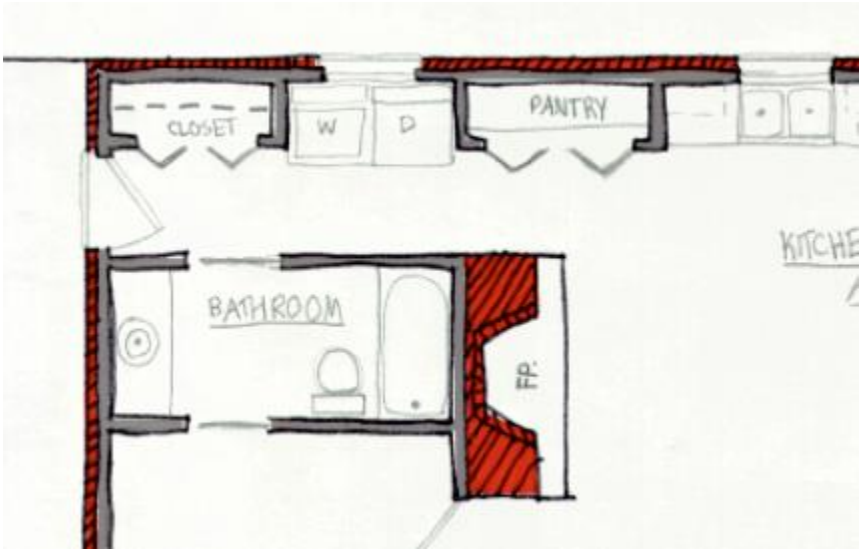
Rendering your Floor Plan

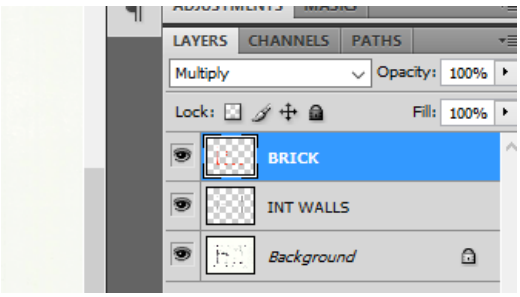
Open your sketched floor plan in Photoshop. Save it as RENDERED FLOOR PLAN.psd

Create a layer called INT WALLS. Use the pencil tool or paintbrush to fill in all stud wall areas. This example used a grey color. Once you have filled in all the INT WALLS, turn that layer onto “Multiply”

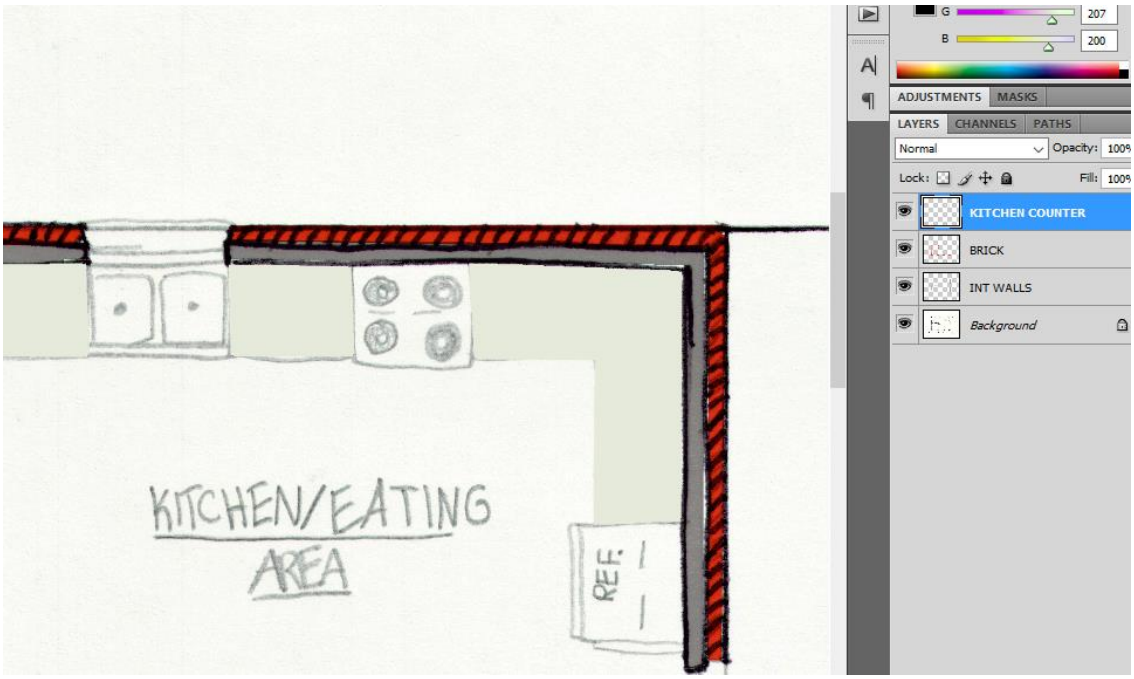


Create a new layer called BRICK and lay color in those areas. In this example, a red color was used. Turn the layer on to “Multiply” when done.

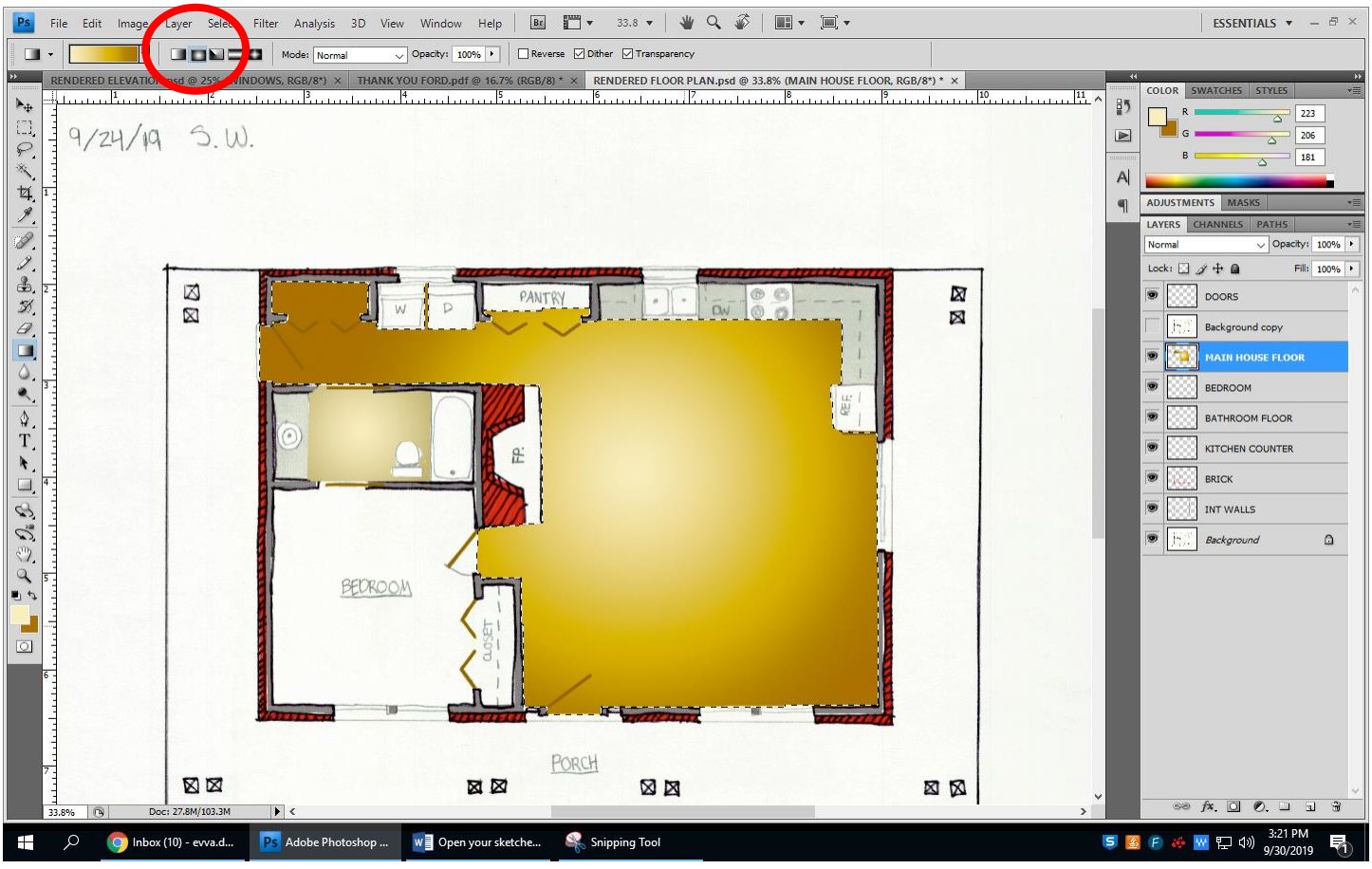




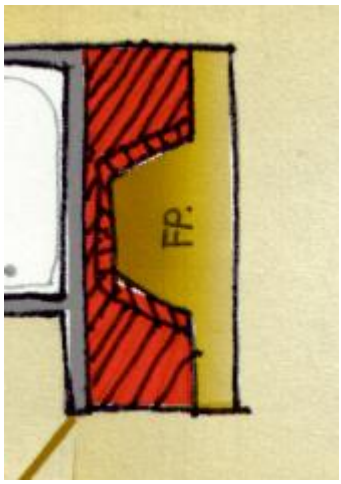
Create a layer called KITCHEN COUNTER. Choose a color for your counters, then switch the laer from normal to “Multiply” when done.



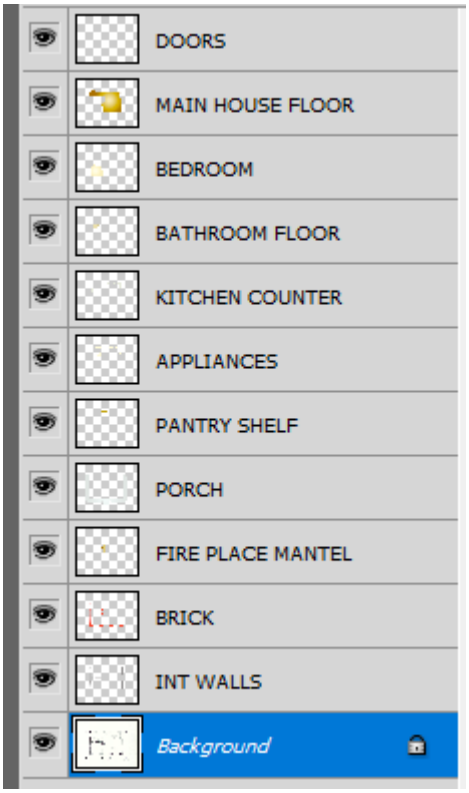
Create some seperate layers for the different floor areas of your house. For example, MAIN HOUSE FLOOR, BEDROOM, and BATHROOM FLOOR, (*Or however you want the floor being shown in your house.)* Fill in the color for the floor, then do a “Radial Gradiant” with the lighter color in the center and the dark towards the outside. When you then turn the layer on to multiply it will give the plan a nice watercolor affect.



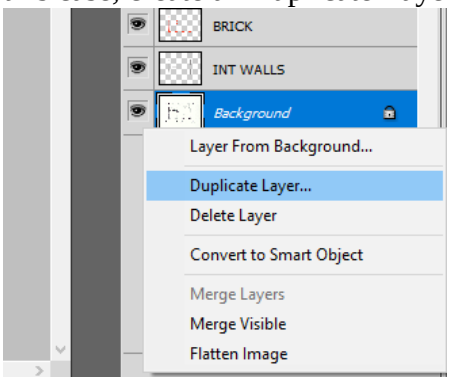
Create a FIREPLACE MANTEL layer and create a gradient pattern of color so it is darker inside the fireplace than outside. Then turn the layer onto “multiply”.



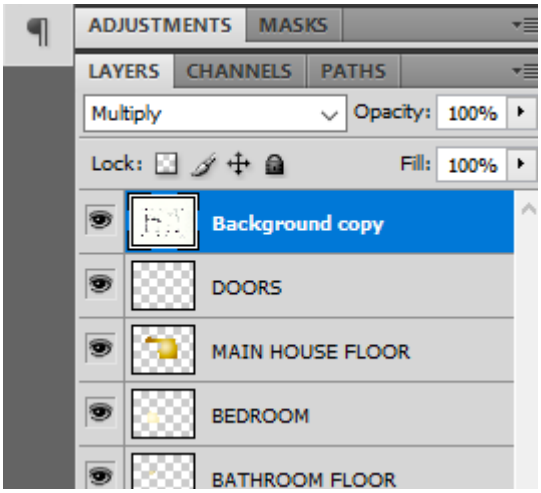
Finalize your cottage with any required colors you feel will make it read well. Below is a screenshot of the layer I have.

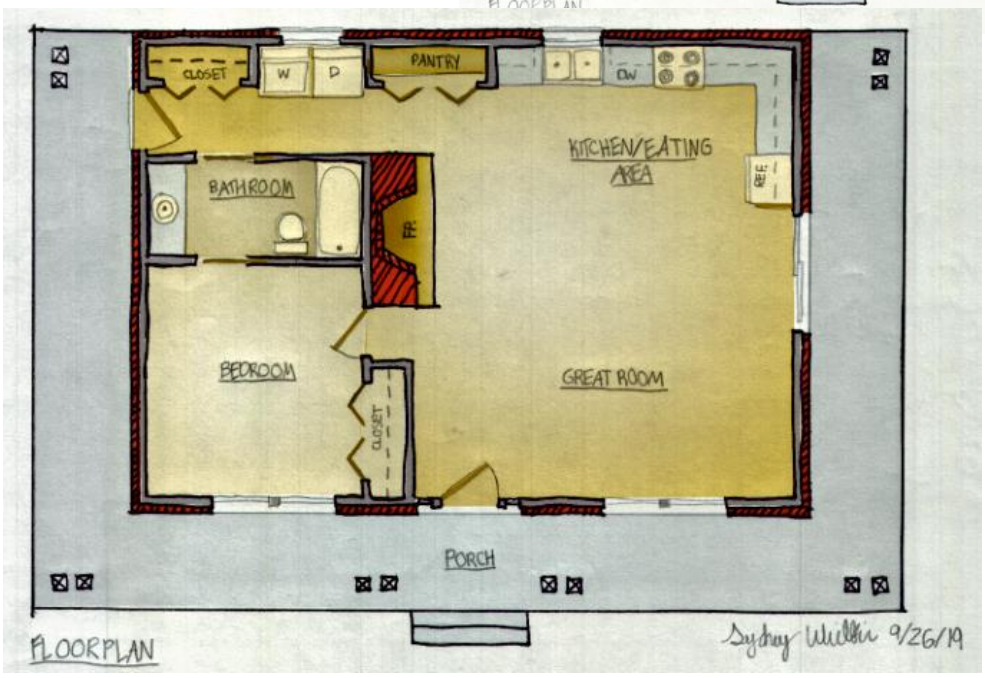


At this point even though you have your layers on multiply, your original outline drawing may look muted. In this case, create a “Duplicate Layer” of the background layer by right clicking on the layer name.



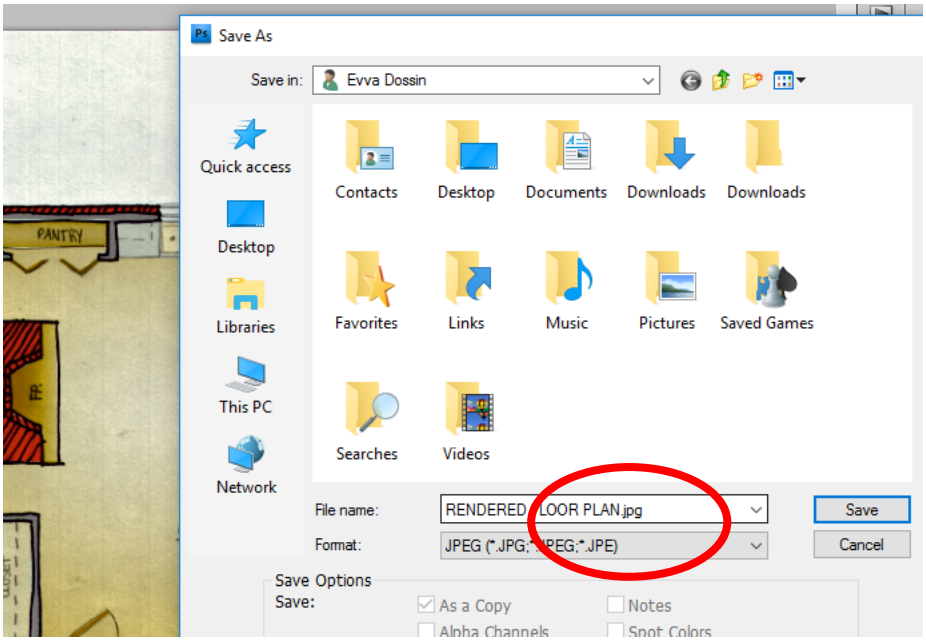
Turn the **Background Copy** Layer onto “multiply” and drag the layer to the top of your layer tree. You should notice a difference and that your outline appears darker. If it is too dark, change the opacity level.



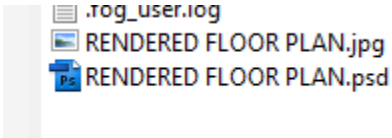
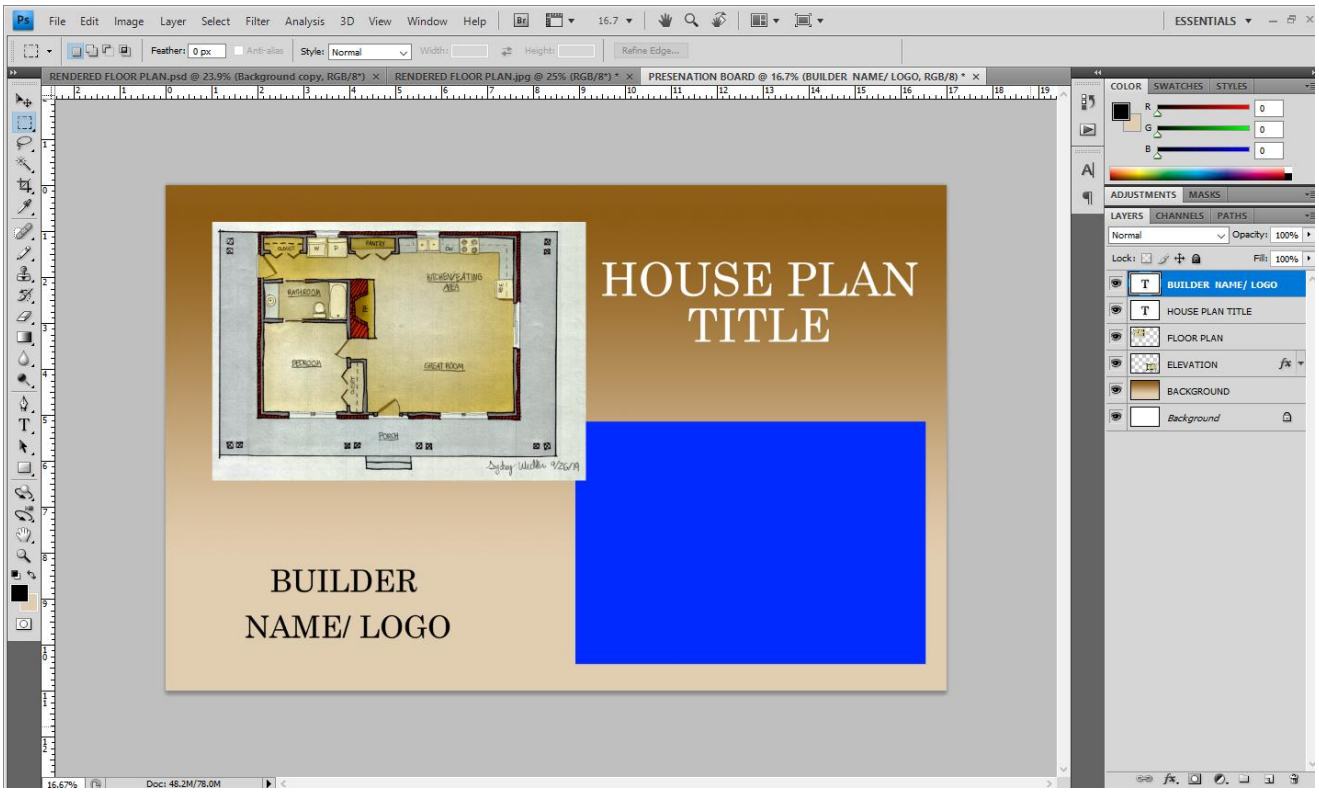


When you are complete. SAVE your drawing one last time. (You should always be continuously saving anyways…)

Then perform a “SAVE AS” and save your file as RENDERED FLOOR PLAN**. jpg**



You won’t notice anything happen. However, if you now go into your folder you will see a RENDERED FLOOR PLAN.jpg file. If you open this file, you should see that it is your floor plan, but all the layers are now one. This is your final image, but the size is compressed and will be easier to use for your final presentation board. If you have to go back and make changes, do so in your **.psd** file, then resave as a **.jpg**



Set your rendered floor plan and elevation up on your presentation board.