New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Historic Preservation Office

PROPERTY REPORT

Property ID:

1002059713

Property Name:4 Station RoadOwnership:PrivateAddress:4 STATION RDApartment #:ZIP:08512

PROPERTY LOCATION(S):

County: Municipality: Local Place Name: USGS Quad: Block: Lot:

MIDDLESEX Cranbury township 18 10

Property Photo:



Old HSI Number: NRIS Number: HABS/HAER Number: 94

Description:

PS&S recommends that 4 Station Road, built ca. 1850, is a contributing property in the Cranbury Historic District.

The 2 ½-story, gable-roofed, rectangular-plan main block of this vinyl siding-clad, frame residence on a parged stone foundation is 3 bays wide and 3 bays deep and is fronted on the north by a 1-story, 1-bay, centered, gable-roofed porch and is backed on the south by a 1-story, shed-roofed, full-width rear el that extends on the east as a shallow, gabled pavilion and is flanked on the west by a 1-story, hip-roofed and on the west recessed rear el that projects slightly beyond the east elevation. The rear el is flanked on the west by a 1-story, hip-roofed enclosed porch separated from the el by a roof parapet. An interior brick chimney is located towards the south of the east roof slope. The visible roofs are clad in asphalt shingle and the windows throughout have 1/1, historic replacement wood sash. The pedimented, 1-story front porch includes historic replacement columns. The primary entrance, accessed by the porch, includes a replacement single-light storm door and a paneled door. The remaining bays are regularly fenestrated with a single window on the third floor. The west, side elevation is regularly fenestrated with paired windows. The hip-roofed enclosed porch, only partially visible from the public right-of-way, includes a secondary entrance on its west elevation and a fixed, octagonal, single-light window on the north elevation. The east, side elevation is regularly fenestrated and includes a secondary entrance in the south bay of the main volume. The rear el is accessed by another door on its east elevation flanked on the north by a single window. The south, rear elevation is not visible from the public right-of-way.

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Historic maps indicate that Station Road was developed beginning in the first half of the 19th century. This property was inventoried in the 1980 National Register of Historic Places Nomination for the Cranbury Historic District as having been built circa 1850. A building on the lot is documented in the 1876 Everts and Stewart map as the property of "W. Applegate." A historical plaque on the residence reports that it was constructed circa 1870. The residence is documented on the 1916 Sanborn map as a 2-story, frame dwelling with a 1-story, full-width front porch, a 1-story side volume, and a 1-story rear el. The 1933 Sanborn map reflects the footprint of the building at the time of the present survey, showing the residence with a centered, partial-width front porch, a rear el that projects to the east, along with a 1-story porch on the west elevation. The 1974 photographic inventory of Cranbury historic buildings in the collection of the Cranbury Historical and Preservation Society shows the residence with stucco-cladding, 1/1 windows, an asbestos-shingle roof, and a secondary entrance in the rear volume. Visual evidence suggests that the roof and siding materials were replaced within approximately the last 20 years.

4 Station Road is a contributing property in the Cranbury Historic District because it retains integrity and historic character defining features, such as its historic replacement window sash and historic replacement porch columns, and historic massing that dates to at least 1933. However, due to the limited extent of historic exterior materials, this status is marginal.

Setting:

Within Cranbury Township, Station Road is an approximately 1/2-mile long road that connects S. Main Street, to the west, to Route 130, to the east, and then continues east. Station Road is a tree-lined, residential street predominantly bordered by single-family dwellings of moderate size.

Registration National Historic Landmark?:

and Status National Register: 9/18/1980 SHPO Opinion: Dates:

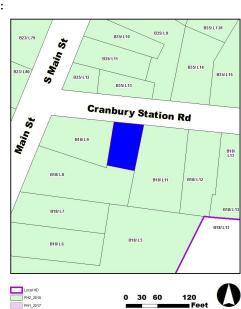
New Jersey Register: 8/9/1979 Local Designation: 9/26/1988

Determination of Eligibility: 3/25/1977 Other Designation:
Certification of Eligibility: Other Designation Date:

☐ Eligibility Worksheet included in present survey?

☐ Is this Property an identifiable farm or former farm?

Location Map:



Site Map:



BIBLIOGRAPHY:

Investigator:

Author:	Title:	Year:	HPO Accession #:	(if applicable)
Heritage Studies	Preserving Cranbury Township	1989		
Walsh, Ruth	National Register of Historic Places Nomination for the Cranbury Historic District, Cranbury Township, Middlesex	1979		

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