New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Historic Preservation Office

PROPERTY REPORT

Property ID:

577617437

Ownership: Private **Property Name:** 16 Station Road Address: 16 STATION RD **ZIP:** 08512 Apartment #:

PROPERTY LOCATION(S):

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

MIDDLESEX Cranbury township 18 15

Property Photo:



Old HSI Number: NRIS Number: HABS/HAER Number: 34

Description:

PS&S recommends that 16 Station Road, constructed circa 1860 and extensively altered after 1940, is a non-contributing property in the Cranbury Historic District.

The 2-story, side gable-roofed, rectangular-plan main block of this vinyl siding-clad, frame dwelling on a parged foundation is 3 bays wide and 2 bays deep and is backed on the south by a 2-story, partial-width rear volume that is in turn flanked to the west by a 2-story, shedroofed volume. A 1-story, side gable-roofed garage, located west of the residence, is attached to the main block by an open, gable-roofed hyphen below a gable-roofed, second floor volume. A 1-story, rear volume wraps from the south elevation to the west elevation. An exterior brick chimney is located near the center of the east elevation. The roofs are clad in asphalt shingle and the windows have 6/6, historic wood sash with applied shutters in most locations. The primary entrance to the residence, located in the west bay of the north elevation and accessed by a straight brick stair with wrought iron rails, includes a historic, added pedimented door hood on scrolled brackets, a historic, paneled door with arched panels, and a historic door surround with 4-light side lights over recessed panels, a 4-light transom, and a dentiled cornice. The remaining bays of both floors are regularly fenestrated. The 2-bay garage includes roll-up doors and a single window on the second floor. A secondary door, accessed through the open hyphen, provides access to the 1-story rear volume. The east, side elevation is lighted by a single window on each floor of the north bay of the main block, with replacement paired windows in the south bay. The rear volumes are lighted by single windows. The west, side elevation is lighted on the second floor of the hyphen by a

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single window. The south, rear elevation is not visible from the public right-of-way.

Historic maps indicate that Station Road was developed beginning in the first half of the 19th century. The 1980 National Register of Historic Places Nomination for the Cranbury Historic District inventoried the residence at 16 Station Road as having been constructed circa 1860. The residence is documented on the 1876 Everts and Stewart map as the property of "Mrs. S. Wilson." The property is detailed on the 1916 Sanborn map as a 2-story, L-plan dwelling with a 1-story, partial-width front porch and a 1-story rear el. The 1933 Sanborn map documents a 2-story main block backed by a 1 ½-story volume with a flanking side porch and a 1-story shed. Historic aerial photographs do not clearly date the addition of the garage other than to indicate that this took place between 1940 and 1957.

16 Station Road is a non-contributing property in the Cranbury Historic District because it has lost integrity of design, materials and workmanship from the addition of the large garage and recladding of the exterior after the period of significance.

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:

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Site Map:

BIBLIOGRAPHY:

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Walsh, Ruth	National Register of Historic Places Nomination for the Cranbury Historic District, Cranbury Township, Middlesex County, New Jersey	1979		
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(None Listed)	1876 Everts and Stewart Map	1876
Brennan, Peggy and Frank J. Jr.	Images of America: Cranbury, Volume II	1998
(None Listed)	1933 Sanborn Map	1933
(None Listed)	Aerial and street view photography for 1931, 1940, 1947, 1953, 1957, 1963, 1969, 1970, 1972, 1979, 1987, 1995, 2002, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2010, 2012, 2013, and 2015 available at historicaerials.com and for 1995, 2002, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2010, 2013, 2016, and 2017 available through Google Earth	
(None Listed)	1916 Sanborn Map	1916
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(None Listed)	1850 Otley and Keily Map	1850
Heritage Studies	Preserving Cranbury Township	1989
Additional Information: 1202_18_15 / 2-STY - SFD	0 / 1840	
More Research Needed?	(checked=Yes)	
Historic District ? District Name: Status: Associated Archeolo	d: 0 Building 0 Bridge 0 Structure 0 Landscape 0 Object 0 Industry ✓ Cranbury Historic District Non Contributing	
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