New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Historic Preservation Office

## -167842326 **PROPERTY REPORT** Property ID: Ownership: Private Property Name: 18 Station Road Address: 18 STATION RD **ZIP:** 08512 Apartment #: **PROPERTY LOCATION(S):** County: **Municipality:** Local Place Name: USGS Quad: Block: Lot: MIDDLESEX Cranbury township 18 16

**Property Photo:** 



Old HSI Number:

**NRIS Number:** 

HABS/HAER Number: 19

## **Description:**

PS&S recommends that 18 Station Road, constructed circa 1850-1860, is a contributing property in the Cranbury Historic District.

The 2 ½-story, side gable-roofed, rectangular-plan main block of this aluminum siding-clad, frame dwelling on a brick foundation is 3 bays wide and 3 bays deep and is fronted on the north by a 1-story, composite-roofed, full-width porch and backed on the south by a 1-story, asymmetrical gable-roofed volume that wraps slightly around the west and east elevations. An interior brick chimney projects from the north roof slope near the west elevation. The visible roofs are clad in asphalt shingle and the windows predominantly have 4/4, double-hung, historic wood sash with thin horizontal muntins. The front porch includes historic turned posts and a historic rail with square-plan balusters. The primary entrance, located in the west bay and accessed by a straight stair, is enclosed by a projecting, added vestibule with 1/1 sash windows and vertical board siding. The historic door and surround appear to survive behind the vestibule, but are not fully visible from the public right-of-way. The remaining bays are regularly fenestrated on both floors. The west, side elevation is regularly fenestrated in the outer bays, with a single window on the third floor of the central bay. The rear volume is lighted by a single window. The east, side elevation is asymmetrically fenestrated in the south bays. A secondary entrance with a shed-roofed door hood is located on the east elevation of the rear volume, flanked by a double 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

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Historic Places Nomination for the Cranbury Historic District inventoried the residence at 18 Station Road as having been constructed circa 1850. A residence is documented on the lot in the 1876 Everts and Stewart map as the property of "W. Lucas." The residence is detailed on the 1916 and 1933 Sanborn maps as a 2-story, rectangular-plan dwelling with a 1-story, full-width front porch and a 1-story rear volume that projects beyond the west elevation. A 1-story shed and a 2-story carriage house are shown to the south of the residence. The 1974 photographic inventory of Cranbury historic buildings in the collection of the Cranbury Historical and Preservation Society shows the residence with the current vestibule in the west bay of the porch, as well as the aluminum siding.

18 Station Road is a contributing property in the Cranbury Historic District because it retains the historic massing of the main volume. historic wood window sash, historic porch posts, and historic porch rail and balusters.

## 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.

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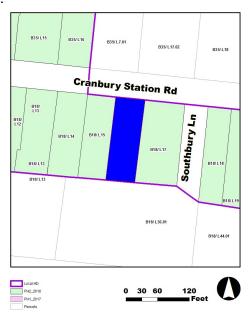
Registration National Historic Landmark?: and Status National Register: 9/18/1980 Dates: New Jersey Register: 8/9/1979 **Determination of Eligibility:** Certification of Eligibility:

SHPO Opinion: Local Designation: 9/26/1988 Other Designation: **Other Designation Date:** 

☐ Is this Property an identifiable farm or former farm?

Eligibility Worksheet included in present survey? Γ

Location Map:



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Site Map:

Frank J. Jr.		
(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	
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Additional Information: 1202_18_16 / 2-STY-SFD /		
More Research Needed?	(checked=Yes)	
District Name: Status: Associated Archeolo	I: 0 Building 0 Bridge 0 Structure 0 Landscape 0 Object 0 Industry ✓ Cranbury Historic District Contributing	
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