New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Historic Preservation Office

Cranbury township

PROPERTY REPORT

Property ID:

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802669730

Property Name: 15 Prospect Street Address: 15 Prospect ST

Apartment #:

Ownership: Private **ZIP:** 08512

PROPERTY LOCATION(S):

County: Municipality: **Local Place Name:**

Cranbury

USGS Quad: Block:

Highstown

Lot:

32

Property Photo:

MIDDLESEX



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

Description:

15 Prospect Street is a two-story, five-bay, one-pile private residence constructed circa 1850 with vernacular Greek Revival details. Additions onto the core include a rear tee section and two one-story rear additions. The core's side gabled roof is sheathed with asphalt shingles and features wood eaves. An exterior (engaged) brick chimney is located on the dwelling's south elevation at the ridge. The exterior of the dwelling is clad in aluminum siding. Fenestration consists of one-over-one, double-hung, wood-sash windows arranged symmetrically over the main elevation. The central entrance consists of a one-light, three-panel wood door with an aluminum storm door. The front portico consists of a hipped roof and simple frieze supported by two Doric columns. The north elevation features the same cladding materials as found on the main elevation and a single rank of windows near the northeast corner. The south elevation of the core features aluminum siding and a single rank of windows with louvered shutters east of the chimney. The rear tee section is a two-story cross-gabled section centered on the rear of the core. It has asphalt shingles on its roof and aluminum siding. None of its windows are visible from the public right-of-way. The two rear additions are one-story elements on either side of the ell section. The frame sections have shed roofs and aluminum-clad walls. The south section has a centered modern door opening west of a small multi-light window. Both rear additions have concrete foundations. Character-defining elements of the building include a portico with an entablature and fluted Doric columns and louvered shutters.

A one-story concrete-block garage sits southwest of the dwelling.

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Organization: RGA, Inc.

History: 15 Prospect Street first appears cartographically on the 1861 Walling map of Cranbury Township, one of four buildings on Prospect Street, owned by "W. Hutchinson, Jr." On the 1872 Beers atlas, the subject dwelling is owned by "Mrs. Hutchinson." The 1876 Everts and Stewart map shows no changes in ownership. The property is not shown on the 1916 Sanborn Atlas. The Sanborn Atlas of 1933 shows the house as a T-shaped frame building with a wider front porch and a small addition to the southwest. The detached garage is not shown on the Sanborn of 1933; it first clearly appears on historic aerials in 1979, but the aerials of 1963 and 1970 may show it. The historic aerials are difficult to interpret for this property in the mid-twentieth century. The addition on the rear of the house is first clearly depicted in historic aerial photography in 1979.

Setting:

15 Prospect Street is sited on a rectangular parcel (Block 23, Lot 32) located on the west side of Prospect Street in Cranbury Township, Middlesex County, New Jersey. The dwelling is oriented with its primary elevation facing east and is set back approximately 10 feet from Prospect Street. A concrete sidewalk spans the east side of the parcel. A paved driveway leads west from Prospect Street to a one-story detached garage located south of the subject dwelling. The property is lightly wooded. 15 Prospect Street is located in a primarily residential neighborhood surrounded by residential properties dating from the mid-nineteenth to the early twentieth centuries.

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:

Cranbury CLG Survey 2017 0 40 80 160 Parcels (Block/Lot)

Site Map:

BIBLIOGRAPHY:

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

Additional Information:

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concurs with the previous evaluation and recommends 15 Prospect Street as a contributing resource due to its date of construction. (checked=Yes) More Research Needed? INTENSIVE-LEVEL USE ONLY: Attachments Included: 0 Building 0 Bridge 0 Structure 0 Landscape 0 Object 0 Industry **Historic District? District Name:** Cranbury Historic District Status: Contributing Associated Archeological Site/Deposits? (known or potential sites. If Yes, please describe briefly) Conversion Problem? ConversionNote: 95

The 1989 Heritage Studies survey identified 15 Prospect Street as a contributing resource to the Cranbury Historic District. RGA

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