New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Historic Preservation Office

PROPERTY REPORT

Property ID:

1255286070

Ownership: Private **Property Name:** 75 North Main Street Address: 75 N Main ST **ZIP:** 08512 Apartment #:

PROPERTY LOCATION(S):

County: Municipality: **Local Place Name: USGS Quad:** Block: Lot: **MIDDLESEX** Cranbury township Cranbury Hightstown 23 43

Property Photo:



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

Description:

75 North Main Street is a two-story, four-bay, two-pile, frame private residence constructed circa 1860. The house appears to be a twopart main block which has a two-story rear addition and small one-story rear, frame additions.

The main block faces east onto North Main Street. Its side-gabled roof is sheathed with asphalt shingles and features a molded cornice with an expressed wood frieze. The exterior of the dwelling is clad in wood clapboard siding. Fenestration consists of two-over-two, doublehung, wood-sash windows (dating to the late nineteenth century) within molded wood surrounds, flanked by louvered shutters. The second floor has four windows facing over the front porch, and the first floor has three windows and two doors. The front porch is a one-story, hipped roof element featuring a spindlework frieze, four turned columns, and a railing with turned balusters. Two paneled wood doors with aluminum screen doors open in the first and fourth bays of the first floor.

The south elevation has a molded cornice with cornice returns, wood clapboard walls, a four-over-two attic unit, and a single rank of twoover-two windows near the southeast corner. The north elevation is a solid wall clad with wood clapboards except for a four-over-two attic window. Character-defining elements of the dwelling include a one-story front porch with turned posts, a spindlework frieze, and turned balusters.

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The rear ell is a two-story section aligned with the south wall of the main block. Its gabled roof is clad with asphalt shingles, and the frame walls are clad with vinyl siding. The south elevation is the only portion of the section visible from the public right-of-way; it has a centered one-over-one window.

The one-story additions are mostly located on the rear of the house. One of these small frame additions is located on the south end of the house and features a storefront, wood clapboard walls, a shed roof, and a shuttered window on the south elevation.

History: The Sanborn Atlases of 1916 and 1933 show the main block of the house as it appears today, with one-story rear additions. The two-story rear addition first appears clearly in the historic aerial photograph of 1953, after which the house has retained its general appearance.

Setting:

75 North Main Street is sited on a rectangular parcel (Block 23, Lot 43) located on the west side of North Main Street in Cranbury Township, Middlesex County, New Jersey. The dwelling is oriented with its primary elevation facing southeast and is set back approximately ten feet from North Main Street. A concrete sidewalk spans the east side of the parcel. A one-story shed is located west of the dwelling. The property is lightly wooded. 75 North Main Street is located in a mixed commercial and residential neighborhood surrounded by commercial and 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:

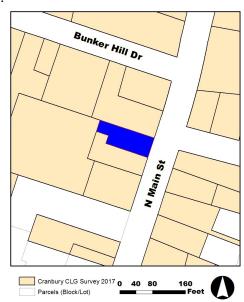
New Jersey Register: 8/9/1979 Local Designation: 9/26/1988

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:

Site Map:



BIBLIOGRAPHY:

Author:Title:Year:HPO Accession #: (if applicable)Walsh, RuthNational Register of Historic Places Nomination for the1979

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| Heritage Studies | Preserving Historic Cranbury Village | 1989 |
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| Additiona | l Infor | mat | ion |
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The 1989 Heritage Studies survey identified 75 North Main Street as a contributing resource to the Cranbury Historic District. RGA concurs with the previous evaluation and recommends 75 North Main Street as a contributing resource due to its date of construction and design.

| More Research Needed? | (checked=Yes) | | |
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| INTENSIVE-LEVEL USE ONLY: | | | |
| Attachments Included: | 0 Building | 0 Bridge | |
| | 0 Structure | 0 Landscape | |
| | 0 Object | 0 Industry | |
| Historic District ? | | | |
| District Name: Crant | oury Historic District | | |
| Status: Contr | ibuting | | |
| Associated Archeological (known or potential sites | Site/Deposits? . If Yes, please describe briefly) | | |
| Conversion Problem? | ConversionNote: 91 | | |
| Date form completed: 7/25 | 5/2017 | | |

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