

## PROPERTY REPORT

Property ID: 1208479388

**Property Name:** 37 North Main Street  
**Address:** 37 N Main ST

**Ownership:** Private  
**Apartment #:** **ZIP:** 08512

### PROPERTY LOCATION(S):

County:	Municipality:	Local Place Name:	USGS Quad:	Block:	Lot:
MIDDLESEX	Cranbury township	Cranbury	Hightstown	23	55

### Property Photo:



**Old HSI Number:**

**NRIS Number:**

**HABS/HAER Number:**

### Description:

37 North Main Street is a two-story tall, three-bay wide, two-bay deep, frame commercial building constructed circa 1878. The building, a converted private residence that sits on a concrete foundation, consists of a rectangular, side-gabled main block; a two-story, L-shaped rear addition (built circa 1960); and a one-story shed roof rear addition (built circa 1960). The roof is sheathed with asphalt shingles. An exterior brick chimney is located in the northwest corner. The exterior of the building is clad in aluminum siding on all elevations. A two-story, semi-hexagonal projecting bay is located in the north bay on the front elevation. This projecting bay has two-over-two, double-hung, replacement wood-sash windows on the first and second floors with narrow, inoperable louvered shutters. On the main block, the central bay has a six-over-six, double-hung, wood-sash window (potentially original) with inoperable louvered shutters. On the first and second floors in the south bay, there are twenty-four light fixed replacement wood windows with inoperable louvered shutters. The southern bays on the first floor are sheltered by a shed roof porch with turned wood posts and a wood balustrade. The central entrance is a single-leaf door with nine inset lights over a crossbuck. The northeast elevation has two louvered windows in the gable end of the main block and two-over-two, double-hung, wood-sash windows on the first and second floors. The rear elevation is not visible from the public right-of-way. The southeast elevation also has two louvered windows in the gable end of the main block with two-over-two, double-hung, wood-sash windows on the first and second floors. The semi-hexagonal projecting bay on the front elevation is a character-defining feature of the subject building.

**Survey Name:** Cranbury CLG Survey 2017

**Surveyor:** Kristen Herrick

**Organization:** RGA, Inc.

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History: 37 North Main Street, constructed circa 1878, first appears cartographically on the 1916 Sanborn map of Cranbury Township as a two-story frame dwelling with a semi-hexagonal projecting bay, a one-story front porch, and a one-story addition to the rear. A one-story frame outbuilding, no longer extant, stood behind the dwelling. The 1933 Sanborn map shows that the front porch was extended to the southeast elevation. Currently, the porch does not extend to the southeast elevation and historic aerial photographs do not show when this alteration occurred. The L-shaped and shed roof additions were constructed circa 1960.

**Setting:**

37 North Main Street is sited on a rectangular parcel (Block 23, Lot 55) located on the west side of North Main Street in Cranbury Township, Middlesex County, New Jersey. The building is oriented with its primary elevation facing southeast and is set back approximately 10 feet from North Main Street. A concrete sidewalk, which runs along North Main Street, spans the east side of the parcel. A gravel driveway leads west from North Main Street past the southwest elevation of the building to a gravel parking lot. The property is lightly wooded to the rear (west) of the building. 37 North Main Street is located in a mixed residential and commercial neighborhood surrounded by properties dating from the mid-nineteenth to the early twentieth century.

**Registration  
and Status  
Dates:**

**National Historic Landmark?:** ☐

**National Register:** 9/18/1980

**New Jersey Register:** 8/9/1979

**Determination of Eligibility:** 3/25/1977

**Certification of Eligibility:**

**SHPO Opinion:**

**Local Designation:** 9/26/1988

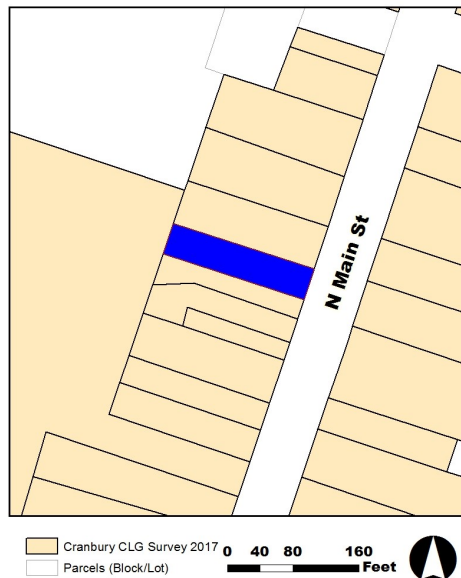
**Other Designation:**

**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, 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:**

The 1989 Heritage Studies survey identified 37 North Main Street as a contributing resource to the Cranbury Historic District. RGA concurs with the previous evaluation and recommends 37 North Main Street as a contributing resource to the Cranbury Historic District due to its date of construction.

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More Research Needed? ☐ (checked=Yes)

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**INTENSIVE-LEVEL USE ONLY:**

**Attachments Included:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Building	<input type="checkbox"/> Bridge
<input type="checkbox"/> Structure	<input type="checkbox"/> Landscape
<input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Industry

**Historic District ?** ☒

**District Name:** Cranbury Historic District

**Status:** Contributing

**Associated Archeological Site/Deposits?** ☐

(known or potential sites. If Yes, please describe briefly)

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Conversion Problem? ☐ ConversionNote: 53

*Date form completed:* 6/26/2017

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