

PROPERTY REPORT

Property ID: 28940870

Property Name: 35 North Main Street

Ownership: Private

Address: 35 N Main ST

Apartment #:

ZIP: 08512

PROPERTY LOCATION(S):

County:	Municipality:	Local Place Name:	USGS Quad:	Block:	Lot:
MIDDLESEX	Cranbury township	Cranbury	Hightstown	23	56

Property Photo:



Old HSI Number:

NRIS Number:

HABS/HAER Number:

Description:

35 North Main Street is a two-story tall, two-bay wide, two-bay deep, frame private residence constructed circa 1850 in a vernacular style. The dwelling, which sits on a brick foundation, consists of a rectangular, side-gabled main block and two rear additions: a two-story, one-bay addition (constructed circa 1870) and a one-story, one-bay shed roof addition (constructed circa 1930) to the rear. The roof is sheathed with asphalt shingles and has molded wood eaves. An exterior brick chimney is located on the northeast elevation. The exterior of the dwelling is clad in wood clapboard siding on the front elevation with composite shingles on the northeast and southwest elevations. The front elevation features a semi-hexagonal projecting bay on the second floor, located slightly off-center. The projecting bay has six-over-six, double-hung, wood-sash windows (likely original) with inoperable louvered shutters. On the first floor, a bay window, with four-over-four, double-hung, replacement wood-sash windows on other side of a sixteen-light fixed replacement wood window and inoperable louvered shutters, sits beside the historic entrance. The entrance is a single door (dating to the 1920s) that features six inset lights over two tall vertical panels and fluted pilaster-like jambs. The first floor is sheltered by a full-length porch with a flat roof and molded wood cornice, supported by three unfluted Doric columns and a low railing with square balusters. The northeast elevation features four-over-four, double-hung, wood-sash windows (likely original) in the gable end of the main block; four-over-four, double-hung, wood-sash windows (likely original) on the second floor of the main block and two-story addition; and six-over-six, double-hung, wood-sash windows (likely original) on the first floor of the main block and two-story addition. Windows on the first and second floors have inoperable louvered shutters. The one-story addition is void of openings. The southwest and rear elevations are not visible from the public right of way.

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Character-defining elements of the dwelling include the exterior brick chimney and semi-hexagonal projecting bay on the second floor. A one-story frame shed, constructed circa 2005, sits west of the dwelling.

History: 35 North Main Street was constructed circa 1850 by Micajah Voorhees (Cranbury Historical and Preservation Society n.d.). The subject dwelling first appears cartographically on the 1861 Walling map of Cranbury Township, owned by James Bowers. On the 1872 Beers atlas, the subject dwelling's two-story rear addition is shown. The 1876 Everts and Stewart map indicates that the subject dwelling remained under the ownership of James Bowers through the third quarter of the nineteenth century. According to the 1916 Sanborn map, the subject dwelling had a one-story, L-shaped rear addition, which was replaced by the current one-story shed roof addition by 1933. Both the 1916 and 1933 Sanborn maps show the current one-story porch on the front of the subject dwelling. The 1933 Sanborn map shows a one-story automobile garage and shop west of the subject dwelling, demolished by 1970.

Setting:

35 North Main Street is sited on a rectangular parcel (Block 23, Lot 56) 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 dwelling's northwest elevation to the backyard, planted in grass. The property is lightly wooded. 35 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: 9/8/1979

Determination of Eligibility: 3/25/1977

Certification of Eligibility:

SHPO Opinion:

Local Designation: 9/26/1988

Other Designation:

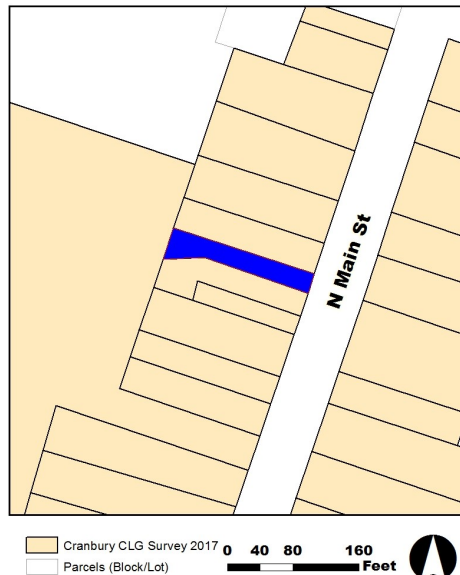
Other Designation Date:

☐ **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)
Cranbury Historical and Preservation Society	Deed History, Property File, 35 North Main Street			
Walsh, Ruth	National Register of Historic Places Nomination for the Cranbury Historic District, Cranbury Township, Middlesex	1979		

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Additional Information:

The 1989 Heritage Studies survey identified 35 North Main Street as a contributing resource to the Cranbury Historic District. RGA concurs with the previous evaluation and recommends 35 North Main Street as a contributing resource due to its date of construction.

More Research Needed? ☐ (checked=Yes)

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: 11

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