

PROPERTY REPORT

Property ID: **-743044053**

Property Name: 27 North Main Street

Ownership: Private

Address: 27 N Main ST

Apartment #:

ZIP: 08512

PROPERTY LOCATION(S):

County:	Municipality:	Local Place Name:	USGS Quad:	Block:	Lot:
MIDDLESEX	Cranbury township	Cranbury	Hightstown	23	60

Property Photo:



Old HSI Number:

NRIS Number:

HABS/HAER Number:

Description:

27 North Main Street is a two-story, five-bay, one-pile vernacular residence constructed circa 1840. The building consists of a main block facing east onto North Main Street, a two-story rear addition, and a one-story addition on the rear of the two-story section.

The main block is the two-story section facing onto North Main Street. It has a side-gabled roof sheathed with asphalt shingles. The house has minimal eaves, with a flush rake on the end walls. The original chimneys have been removed; the remaining chimney is a brick element located in the two-story addition. The exterior of the dwelling is clad in aluminum siding. Fenestration is symmetrically arranged on the main elevation. Windows are six-over-six vinyl-sash (replacement) units within wood frames, flanked by louvered inoperable replacement shutters. The central entrance consists of a four-panel replacement door with a single semicircular light, opening below a shallow-sloped hood supported by triangular braces and accessed via a concrete pad porch with metal railings. The main block has a stone foundation.

The south elevation is barely visible, as the house stands so near the house to the south. The only opening in the aluminum-clad wall is an attic window. The north elevation has a similar appearance; it is a mostly solid aluminum-clad wall. The wall openings consist of a rank of windows near the northeast corner.

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The rear additions are not easily visible from the public right-of-way. The two-story section extends along the southern two-thirds of the rear of the main block. It has a shed roof, a small brick chimney centered on its east wall, and vinyl-clad walls. The one-story rear addition extends along the west and north elevations of the two-story addition. It has a shed roof and vinyl-clad walls. The portion of the north wall visible from the public right-of-way contains a door and three windows.

History:

The 1916 Sanborn Atlas shows the main block of the house with its two-story rear addition. Two small one-story rear sections are also indicated. The same information appears on the 1933 Sanborn Atlas. The house appears on all historic aerial photographs beginning with 1940. The one-story rear addition is often located in the shadow of the main block, but it clearly appears on the 1969 aerial (and later aerials).

Setting:

27 North Main Street is sited on a rectangular parcel (Block 23, Lot 60) located on the west side of North Main Street in Cranbury Township, Middlesex County, New Jersey. The dwelling is located 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. Perennial plantings in brick planters abut the front (southeast) elevation. A concrete path leads west from North Main Street, past the dwelling's northeast elevation, to the backyard, planted in grass. A one-story, frame shed is located to the rear of the dwelling. 27 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

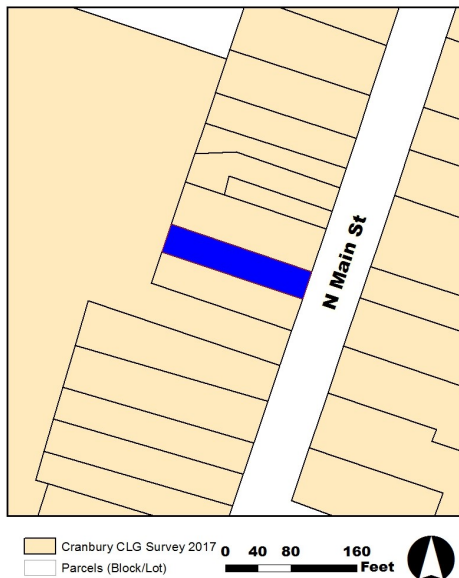
Other Designation:

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	

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Additional Information:

The 1989 Heritage Studies survey identified 27 North Main Street as a contributing resource to the Cranbury Historic District. RGA concurs with the previous evaluation and recommends 27 North Main Street as a contributing resource due to its date of construction and design.

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:** 48**Date form completed:** 6/26/2017

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