

## PROPERTY REPORT

Property ID: 2014839833

**Property Name:** 2 Scott Avenue  
**Address:** 2 SCOTT AVE  
**Ownership:** Private  
**Apartment #:** ZIP: 08512

### PROPERTY LOCATION(S):

County:	Municipality:	Local Place Name:	USGS Quad:	Block:	Lot:
MIDDLESEX	Cranbury township			33	35

### Property Photo:



**Old HSI Number:** **NRIS Number:** **HABS/HAER Number:** 6

### Description:

PS&S recommends that 2 Scott Avenue, constructed circa 1860, is a contributing property in the Cranbury Historic District.

The 2-story, side gable-roofed, rectangular-plan main block of this aluminum siding-clad, frame dwelling on a parged foundation is 3 bays wide and 2 bays deep and is fronted on the northeast by a 1-story, composite-roofed, full-width porch and backed on the southwest by a 2-story, gable-roofed volume. A 2-story, side gable-roofed addition on the southeast of the rear volume projects beyond the southeast elevation of the main volume and is fronted by a hipped-roofed porch that wraps around its southeast side. The roofs are predominantly clad in asphalt shingle and the windows have 1/1 replacement sash that are probably historic. The front porch, accessed by a straight stair in the northwest bay with historic rail and newel posts, includes square-plan posts with beveled corners, a historic rail with turned balusters, and a historic spindle frieze. The primary entrance, located in the northwest bay, includes a historic door with a single light over a recessed panel and a single light, historic transom. The remaining bays of both floors are regularly fenestrated. The porch of the added volume is accessed by 2s stairs in the northwest bay of the northeast elevation and the northeast bay of the southeast elevation and includes square-plan posts with beveled corners, a spindle frieze, and a rail with balusters that mimic those of the main volume. A secondary entrance, located in the northwest bay, includes a door with a 9-light window over recessed panels. The second floor is lighted by 2 casement or awning windows. Another secondary entrance to the rear of the residence is located on the northwest elevation of an enclosed porch bay. The northwest, side elevation of the main volume is lighted on the first floor by a single window and under the gable-

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end by a replaced, single-light, double window. The rear volume is regularly fenestrated and accessed by a recessed entry with a shed-roofed door-hood with simple triangular brackets. The windows of the first floor include single light transoms. The southwest, rear elevation is not visible from the public right-of-way.

Scott Avenue, which connects N. Main Street to Maplewood Avenue, was largely developed during the 3rd quarter of the 19th century, with 3 residences on the southwest side of the street by 1876. The 1980 National Register of Historic Places Nomination for the Cranbury Historic District reports that the residence at 2 Scott Avenue was possibly constructed in the 19th century. The 1876 Everts and Stewart map first records a residence on the lot as the property of "Mrs. M. A. Reed." The residence is documented on the 1916 Sanborn map as a 2-story, rectangular plan dwelling with a 1-story, partial-width front porch and a 1-story rear porch. A historic photograph taken circa 1907 depicts the residence regularly fenestrated without shutters and with a spindle frieze on the porch (Brennan and Brennan, 1995: p. 55). The 1974 photographic inventory of Cranbury historic buildings in the collection of the Cranbury Historical and Preservation Society shows the residence with a 1-story rear el, 1/1 sash windows, and a spindle frieze and historic porch rail. Historic aerial photographs indicate that a gable-roofed rear, side volume with a wrap-around porch was constructed between 1989 and 2002.

2 Scott Avenue is a contributing property in the Cranbury Historic District because it retains integrity and historic character-defining features, such as its historic porch rail and balusters, historic spindle frieze, historic door, and historic chimney. However, the replacement of surface materials and window sash and the visibility of the rear volume from the public right-of-way render this status marginal.

#### Setting:

Scott Avenue is a short residential street on the north side of Brainerd Lake that connects N. Main Street, to the northwest, to Maplewood Avenue, to the southeast. The residences are predominantly single family dwellings of moderate size.

#### Registration

National Historic Landmark?: ☐

#### 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:

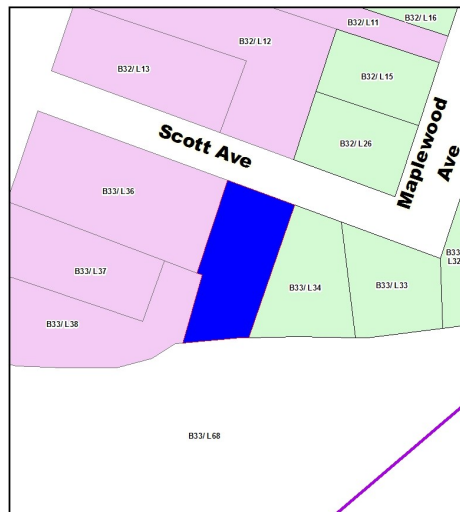
Other Designation Date:

☐ Eligibility Worksheet included in present survey?

☐ Is this Property an identifiable farm or former farm?

#### Location Map:

#### Site Map:



Local HO  
PH2\_2018  
PH1\_2017  
Parcels

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#### BIBLIOGRAPHY:

Author:	Title:	Year:	HPO Accession #:	(if applicable)
(None Listed)	Aerial and street view photography for 1931, 1940, 1947,			

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1953, 1957, 1963, 1969, 1970, 1972, 1979, 1987, 1995, 2002, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2010, 2012, 2013, and 2015 available at [historicaerials.com](http://historicaerials.com) and for 1995, 2002, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2010, 2013, 2016, and 2017 available through Google Earth

(None Listed)	1916 Sanborn Map	1916
Brennan, Peggy and Frank J. Jr.	Images of America: Cranbury, Volume II	1998
Chambers, John Whiteclay II	Cranbury: A New Jersey Town from the Colonial Era to the Present	2012
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(None Listed)	1876 Everts and Stewart Map	1876
Heritage Studies	Preserving Cranbury Township	1989
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Walsh, Ruth	National Register of Historic Places Nomination for the Cranbury Historic District, Cranbury Township, Middlesex County, New Jersey	1979
(None Listed)	1850 Otley and Keily Map	1850

**Additional Information:**

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**More Research Needed?** ☐ (checked=Yes)

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**INTENSIVE-LEVEL USE ONLY:**

<b>Attachments Included:</b>	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)

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