

## PROPERTY REPORT

Property ID: 1978604368

**Property Name:** 9 Station Road

**Ownership:** Private

**Address:** 9 STATION RD

**Apartment #:**

**ZIP:** 08512

### PROPERTY LOCATION(S):

| County:   | Municipality:     | Local Place Name: | USGS Quad: | Block: | Lot: |
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| MIDDLESEX | Cranbury township |                   |            | 35     | 14   |

### Property Photo:



**Old HSI Number:**

**NRIS Number:**

**HABS/HAER Number:** 13

### Description:

PS&S recommends that 9 Station Road, constructed circa 1860, is a contributing property in the Cranbury Historic District. The garage on the property, either substantially altered or replaced between 1987 and 2002, does not contribute to the property.

The 2-story, gable-roofed, rectangular-plan main block of this asbestos shingle and vinyl siding-clad, frame dwelling on a parged foundation is 2 bays wide and 3 bays deep and is fronted on the south by a 1-story, hip-roofed, full-width porch. A 2-story, gabled addition flanks the main volume on the northeast and includes a 1-story, shed-roofed porch on the south, and is backed by a 1-story, enclosed historic porch on the north. A gabled oriel projects from the east elevation of the addition. The addition, enclosed porch, and rear half of the west elevation are clad in vinyl siding. The visible roofs are clad in asphalt shingle and the windows have 1/1 replacement wood sash. An interior brick chimney projects from the center of the west roof slope. An exterior, stuccoed chimney is located near the center of the west elevation. The front porch, accessed by a straight stair in the west bay, includes historic replacement Tuscan columns and a historic replacement rail with square-plan balusters. The primary entrance, located in the west bay of the south elevation, includes a historic replacement door with a large single top light. The remaining bays of both floors are regularly fenestrated. The south elevation of the addition, fronted by a porch with added column and added rail with square-plan balusters, includes an added, single-light secondary door, with a single window on the second floor. The east, side elevation is regularly fenestrated and is lighted by a triple casement window in the oriel. A double window lights the enclosed porch. The west, side elevation is regularly fenestrated except for the first floor of the south,

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central bay. The north, rear elevation is not visible from the public right-of-way. A 1 1/2-story, 2-bay, vinyl siding-clad garage is located northeast of the residence.

Historic maps indicate that Station Road was developed beginning in the first half of the 19th century. The 1980 National Register of Historic Places Nomination for the Cranbury Historic District inventoried this residence as having been constructed between circa 1852 and 1870, although the source of this dating is not documented. The 1876 Everts and Stewart map documents a "distillery" on the lot, but perhaps not in the location of the present building. The 1989 Heritage Studies assessment noted that the property was owned by a distiller in 1870. The 1916 Sanborn map details the property as including this 2-story, rectangular-plan, frame dwelling with a 1-story, full-width front porch and a 1-story side-entry porch on the east elevation. The 1933 Sanborn map documents the same massing of the dwelling, and the addition of a 1-story garage to the northeast. The 1974 photographic inventory of Cranbury historic buildings in the collection of the Cranbury Historical and Preservation Society shows the residence with the existing asbestos shingle siding, 1/1 sash windows, and a screened-in porch with historic columns. Historic aerial photographs indicate that a 2-story, gable-roofed side volume fronted by a 1-story porch was added between 1987 and 2002. Visual evidence suggests that the garage, which is documented in the 1989 Heritage Studies Inventory as having a jerkinhead roof, was replaced or substantially altered during this renovation campaign.

9 Station Road is a contributing property in the Cranbury Historic District because it retains the historic massing of the main block, historic fenestration patterns, and its historic front porch, including historic replacement porch columns and rail. However, the replacement of surface materials and the visibility of the added side volume from the public right-of-way render this status marginal.

**Setting:**

Within Cranbury Township, Station Road is an approximately 1/2-mile long road that connects S. Main Street, to the west, to Route 130, to the east, and then continues east. Station Road is a tree-lined, residential street predominantly bordered by single-family dwellings of moderate size.

**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

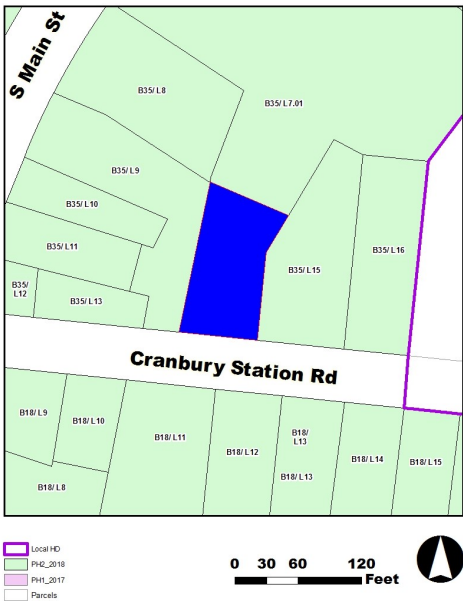
**Other Designation:**

**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)**

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| (None Listed)                   | 1916 Sanborn Map  | 1916 |

**Additional Information:**

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**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:

Date form completed: 8/28/2018

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