

PROPERTY REPORT

Property ID: **542492896**

Property Name: 87 North Main Street **Ownership:** Private
Address: 87 N Main ST **Apartment #:** **ZIP:** 08512

PROPERTY LOCATION(S):

County:	Municipality:	Local Place Name:	USGS Quad:	Block:	Lot:
MIDDLESEX	Cranbury township	Cranbury	Hightstown	28	9

Property Photo:



Old HSI Number:

NRIS Number:

HABS/HAER Number:

Description:

87 North Main Street is a two-and-a-half-story, three-bay, five-pile wide, frame vernacular residence constructed in 1912. The original building was extended to the rear circa 1990.

The house has an overall front gabled orientation, but cross-gabled bays on the sides create a cross-gabled shape. The roof is sheathed with asphalt shingles and includes a full return cornice on the main elevation that creates a pedimented attic level. Two interior brick chimneys pierce the roof: one at the ridgeline (in the center of the original house) and one on the south side. The exterior of the dwelling is clad in wood clapboard siding on the front elevation and aluminum siding on all other elevations. Fenestration consists of one over-one vinyl-sash windows with louvered, inoperable, replacement shutters. Windows on the first floor are set within molded wood surrounds. The entrance, located in the northeast corner of the building, consists of a one-light, two-panel wood door within a molded wood surround. The first floor is sheltered by a one-story porch with a hipped roof, Doric columns, and wood balusters. Brick stairs lead from the porch down to the grade of the front lawn.

The north elevation has asphalt shingles on the roof and aluminum siding. Two cross-gables are visible on this elevation, with the western cross-gable standing over a two-story bay. Fenestration on the elevation is highly asymmetrical. The wall surface below the cross-gables has two windows each as the only wall openings.

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The south elevation is not visible from the public right-of-way. It has the same cladding as the opposite side wall (asphalt shingles on the roof and aluminum walls). A cross-gable over a protruding bay is centered on the elevation, east of the rear attached brick chimney.

Character-defining elements of the dwelling include a cross-gabled roof and a one-story porch with a hipped roof.

History:

The house appears with its original, nearly square footprint, on the 1916 Sanborn Atlas. An octagonal bay is located on the south elevation near the southwest corner, and a one-story porch is indicated on the east and west elevations. By the time of the 1933 Sanborn Atlas, a garage had been added northwest of the house. Historic aerial photographs indicate the house with its original size until 1987. The historic aerial of 2002 is the first that shows the current shape of the house, with its large rear addition.

Setting:

87 North Main Street is sited on a rectangular parcel (Block 28, Lot 9) located on the west side of North Main Street in Cranbury Township, Middlesex County, New Jersey. The dwelling is oriented with its primary elevation facing southeast and is set back approximately 20 feet from North Main Street. A concrete sidewalk spans the east side of the parcel. Trees are planted along the curb between the dwelling and North Main Street. A paved driveway leads west from North Main Street to a one-story frame garage located northwest of the dwelling. The property is lightly wooded. 87 North Main Street is located in a primarily residential neighborhood surrounded by residential properties dating from the mid-nineteenth to the early twentieth centuries.

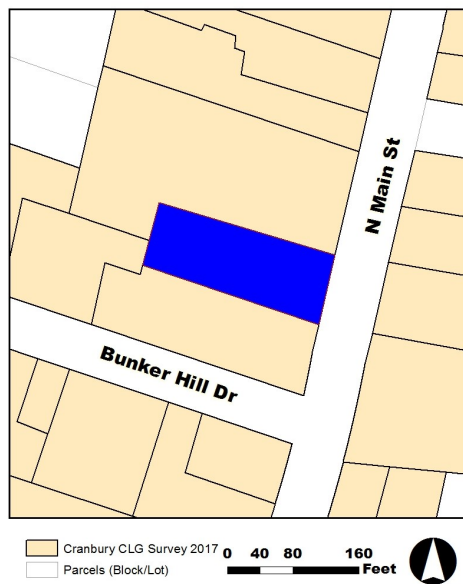
Registration and Status Dates:

National Historic Landmark?:
National Register: 9/18/1980
New Jersey Register: 8/9/1979
Determination of Eligibility: 3/25/1977
Certification of Eligibility:

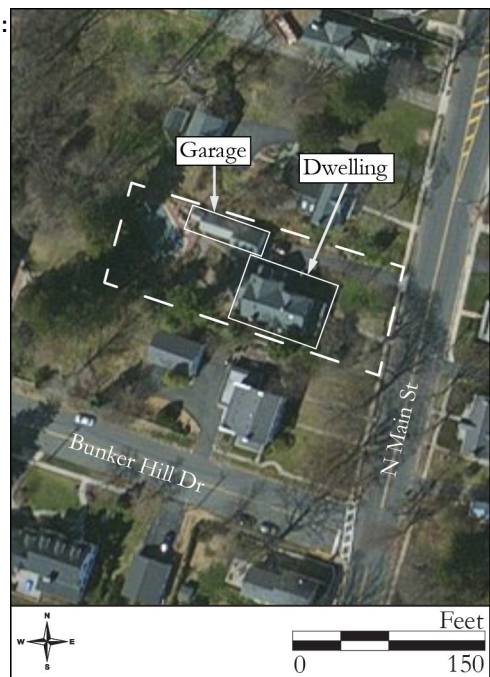
SHPO Opinion:
Local Designation: 9/26/1988
Other Designation:
Other Designation Date:

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 #:
Walsh, Ruth	National Register of Historic Places Nomination for the Cranbury Historic District, Cranbury Township, Middlesex	1979	(if applicable)

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Heritage Studies

Preserving Historic Cranbury Village

1989

Additional Information:

The 1989 Heritage Studies survey identified 87 North Main Street as a contributing resource to the Cranbury Historic District. RGA concurs with the previous evaluation and recommends 87 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: 33

Date form completed: 7/25/2017

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