

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY - BUILDING AND STRUCTURES

Please send completed form to: Stacey Vairo, National Register and State Register Coordinator,
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* Note: Please attach any additional or expanded information on a separate sheet.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Building Name (Common) 64 Boston Street
 Building Name (Historic) Richard J. Holmes House
 Street Address or Location 64 Boston Street
 Town/City Guilford Village _____ County New Haven
 Owner(s) Reilly Martin Family Trust Public Private

PROPERTY INFORMATION

Present Use: Commercial: office building
 Historic Use: Residential: single dwelling / Commercial: retail store

Accessibility to public: Exterior visible from public road? Yes No

Interior accessible? Yes No If yes, explain Law office

Style of building Greek Revival Date of Construction 1850 (Helander)

Material(s) (Indicate use or location when appropriate):

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Clapboard | <input type="checkbox"/> Asbestos Siding | <input type="checkbox"/> Brick | <input type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle | <input type="checkbox"/> Asphalt Siding |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fieldstone | <input type="checkbox"/> Board & Batten | <input type="checkbox"/> Stucco | <input type="checkbox"/> Cobblestone | <input type="checkbox"/> Aluminum Siding |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Concrete (Type _____) | <input type="checkbox"/> Cut Stone (Type _____) | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | | |

Structural System

- Wood Frame Post & Beam Balloon Load bearing masonry Structural iron or steel
 Other _____

Roof (Type)

- Gable Flat Mansard Monitor Sawtooth
 Gambrel Shed Hip Round Other _____

(Material)

- Wood Shingle Roll Asphalt Tin Slate Asphalt Shingle
 Built up Tile Other _____

Number of Stories: 2 1/2 Approximate Dimensions 25' x 30'

Structural Condition: Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated

Exterior Condition: Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated

Location Integrity: On original site Moved When? _____

Alterations? Yes No If yes, explain: _____

FOR OFFICE USE: Town # _____ Site # _____ UTM _____

District: S NR If NR, Specify: Actual Potential

PROPERTY INFORMATION (CONT'D)**Related outbuildings or landscape features:**

- Barn Shed Garage Carriage House Shop Garden
 Other landscape features or buildings: _____

Surrounding Environment:

- Open land Woodland Residential Commercial Industrial Rural
 High building density Scattered buildings visible from site

- Interrelationship of building and surroundings:

This property consists of 0.56 acres of land on the north side of Boston Street. A driveway extends to the west off Graves Avenue and terminates at a parking area just to the north of the house. An attached garage is on the rear (north side) of the building. The property is just to the west of the intersection of Boston Street and Graves Avenue. Less than half a mile to the west of the property is the Guilford Green. (See continuation sheet)

- Other notable features of building or site (Interior and/or Exterior)

This is a two-story Greek Revival front-gable building. It is sheathed in clapboard siding and the roof is covered in asphalt shingles. The brick chimney is centered on the ridge-line of the roof. A square-shaped, hip-roof addition is attached to the north elevation of the building. The facade faces south and the main entry is on this side with a door surround, and is reached by a stone step. (See continuation sheet)

Architect Unknown Builder Unknown

- Historical or Architectural importance:

The original owner of this building was Richard J. Holmes and was built in 1850. Holmes was born c. 1800 and married Nancy P. Parmelee in 1826. They had a daughter, Jane A. Holmes, in 1828. It appears by 1850, Jane had married Henry N. Chamberlain. In the 1850 United States Federal Census of Guilford, Richard J. Holmes (age 50) was listed as an apothecary who was born in New York. He was living with his wife, Nancy (age 47), Henry N. Chamberlain (age 24) listed as a shoemaker, Jane A. Chamberlain (age 22), Lyman Chamberlain (age 22) listed as a mariner, Grace F. Chamberlain (age 20), and George R. Chamberlain (age 18). Holmes had a liquor store on this property and bankrupted in 1852. A later owner of the property was G. W. Hull.

- Sources:

Guilford Tax Assessor property records accessed at <http://www.propertyrecordcards.com/PropertyResults.aspx?towncode=060&uniqueid=4523> on October 31, 2015. Helander, Joel Eliot. "A Treasury of Guilford Places." Guilford, Connecticut: Joel Helander, 2008. Ancestry.com. 1850 United States Federal Census of Guilford. accessed 10/31/2015. Ancestry.com. "Roland Baker family tree." Accessed 10/31/2015.

Photographer Kristen Nietering Date 1/17/2015
View South view of the house, camera facing north. Negative on File _____
Name Kristen Nietering Date 10/31/2015
Organization Guilford Preservation Alliance
Address 199 PO Box Guilford, CT 06437

- Subsequent field evaluations:

Latitude & Longitude: 41.282373, -72.67891

Threats to the building or site:

- None known Highways Vandalism Developers Renewal Private
 Deterioration Zoning Other _____ Explanation _____

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CONTINUATION SHEET

64 Boston Street

Interrelationship of building and surroundings

Surrounding the property are nineteenth and twentieth century single- and multi-family houses as well as commercial buildings.

Other notable features of building or site

The entry surround includes pilasters and a simple entablature. Fenestration includes one-over-one double-hung windows with shutters. In the attic is a louvered vent.

