

Town No.:

Site No. 132

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QUAD:

DISTRICT

IF NR SPECIFY

 S NR Actual Potential

State of Connecticut

CONNECTICUT HISTORICAL COMMISSION

59 South Prospect Street, Hartford 06106

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY:

Buildings & Structures

SURVEY OF GUILFORD, NEW HAVEN COUNTY, 06437

June-December 1981

IDENTIFICATION

1. **ADDRESS** 2519 Durham Road
(map 105, lot 22)
2. **NAME**
(historic)
NAME
(common)
3. **USE**
(historic)
USE
(present) Private House
4. **IF MOVED, WHEN AND FROM WHERE:**



DESCRIPTION

5. **ARCHITECT**
6. **DATE** c1860 **BUILDER**
STYLE Greek Revival
7. **ALTERATIONS**
Additions on both sides and rear.

8. **NOTABLE FEATURES**
Wide overhanging eaves and raking; frieze; 6/6 sash; pilaster and entablature doorway with dentils under cornice.

9. **ARCHITECTURAL-HISTORICAL**

The Greek Revival style was much favored by the old established families of North Guilford, newly prosperous in the Ante-Bellum years and eager to replace the old-fashioned and inconvenient houses of their grandfathers with something more modern--but not too much so. There are a great many houses of this type scattered around the countryside. Exceptionally well maintained, this one still has a fence out front, a row of great trees, and an air of crispness and tidiness that was a part of the style.

Lucerne Rossiter, owner of this property according to the 1868 Map, was a prominent North Guilford resident. He entertained the South School children here in 1877.

10. **SOURCES**

Dorothy Whitfield Society '76; 1868 Map. Shore Line Sentinel, 14 July 1877.

SIGNIFICANCE

SOURCES

In all categories below, check more than one box if applicable.
 If you have not actually made certain of the answer to a given question, either leave it blank or write "inferred" after the checked box; or, if drawn from a previous investigator, give source.

11. MATERIALS

- Clapboard Brick Stucco Asbestos Shingle Other:
- Wood Shingle Fieldstone Concrete Asphalt Siding
- Board & Batten Cut Stone Cobblestone Aluminum/Vinyl

12. STRUCTURE

- Wood Frame: Masonry Iron or Steel Concrete Other:
- Post & Beam
- Balloon

13. ROOF

- a. Pitched Gable-front Hip Shed Other:
- Saltbox Cross-gable Flat Hip False Dormer
- Gambrel Mansard Flat Sawtooth
- b. Tower(s) Monitor Cupola Dormered Gable Dome
- c. Wood Shingle Asphalt Shingle Slate Metal Other:

14. NUMBER OF STORIES: 2 1/2 **APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS:** **LOT SIZE:** 3.3 ACRES

15. CONDITION: Exterior

- Excellent Good Fair Poor Bad

16. CONDITION: Structure

- Excellent Good Fair Poor Bad

17. OUTBUILDINGS (visible from public road)

- Barn(s) 2 Carriage House Garage Shed(s) Shop(s)
- Other (well, stand, greenhouse, gazebo, privy, etc.):

18. LANDSCAPING (visible from public road)

- Planted Grounds Garden Terracing Plaza Court
- Stone Wall(s) Pickett Fence Iron Fence Post & Rail Other:

19. SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT

- a. Town Street Rural Semi-rural Clustered Growth Development
- b. Commercial Industrial Agricultural Residential Vacation, now or originally
- c. Open Wooded Lakefront Coastal Salt marsh
- d. Of outstanding scenic/architectural value Of scenic/architectural value Of supportive value to contiguous scenic/architectural area Neutral Other:

20. ROLE OF BUILDING IN ENHANCING QUALITY OF ENVIRONMENT

- Vital Important Supportive Neutral Other:

21. OWNERSHIP

- Public Private Interior accessible

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22. Name P.O + DP

Date 6/29/87 R:22

Photographer DP

Date Negative 15A

Organization: Guilford Preservation Alliance
P.O. Box 199, Guilford, Conn. 06437

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23. THREATS TO BUILDING

- None Known Highways Vandalism Developers Zoning
- Renewal Private Owner Deterioration Other:

24. SUBSEQUENT EVALUATIONS

DESCRIPTION

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