

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

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY	
Town No.:	Site No. 137
UTM	
QUAD:	
DISTRICT	IF NR SPECIFY
<input type="checkbox"/> S <input type="checkbox"/> NR	<input type="checkbox"/> Actual <input type="checkbox"/> Potential

IDENTIFICATION

1. ADDRESS 3654 Durham Road  
(map 114, lot 22)
2. NAME  
(historic)  
NAME  
(common)
3. USE  
(historic) Farm  
USE  
(present) Private house, farm
4. IF MOVED, WHEN AND FROM WHERE:



DESCRIPTION

5. ARCHITECT
6. DATE c1850
- BUILDER  
STYLE Italianate
7. ALTERATIONS  
Much added onto: a two-story wing with a second gable on the north, another wing at the rear which seems to have once been a barn, and a double-decker porch across the front.
8. NOTABLE FEATURES  
Boxed cornice with returns; wide frieze; 2/2 sash; double arch windows in the gable; two-story porch with round columns; original door (copies the arched windows in the gable); large block foundation; wood storage shed attached to rear still intact.

SIGNIFICANCE

9. ARCHITECTURAL-HISTORICAL  
Overlooking the lake, this large, spacious house must have been a place of considerable pretension when it was built. The type is familiar in North Guilford among the prosperous farming community after the Civil War. See for example 154 and 210 Beaver Head Road.  
Barns remain out back, and nearby fields are grazed. David D. Chittenden is identified as owner of this property on the 1852 Map. Chittenden was among North Guilford's larger tax payers, having paid \$77.20 in 1879.

SOURCES

10. SOURCES  
Dorothy Whitfield Society '76; 1852 Map; Shore Line Sentinel, 10 April 1879.

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

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

12. STRUCTURE

- |                                      |                                  |  |                                   |                                 |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wood Frame: | <input type="checkbox"/> Masonry | <input type="checkbox"/> Iron or Steel | <input type="checkbox"/> Concrete | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Post & Beam |                                  |  |                                   |                                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Balloon     |                                  |  |                                   |                                 |

13. ROOF

- |  |   |                                   |   |                                 |
|--|---|-----------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|
| a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pitched | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gable-front     | <input type="checkbox"/> Hip      | <input type="checkbox"/> Shed           | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Saltbox               | <input type="checkbox"/> Cross-gable                | <input type="checkbox"/> Flat Hip | <input type="checkbox"/> False Dormer   |                                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gambrel               | <input type="checkbox"/> Mansard                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Flat     | <input type="checkbox"/> Sawtooth       |                                 |
| b. <input type="checkbox"/> Tower(s)           | <input type="checkbox"/> Monitor                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Cupola   | <input type="checkbox"/> Dormered Gable | <input type="checkbox"/> Dome   |
| c. <input type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Asphalt Shingle | <input type="checkbox"/> Slate    | <input type="checkbox"/> Metal          | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: |

14. NUMBER OF STORIES:

2 1/2

APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS:

LOT SIZE: 7.16 ACRES

15. CONDITION: Exterior

- |                                    |                               |                               |                               |   |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent | <input type="checkbox"/> Good | <input type="checkbox"/> Fair | <input type="checkbox"/> Poor | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bad |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|

16. CONDITION: Structure

- |                                    |                               |                               |                               |                              |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent | <input type="checkbox"/> Good | <input type="checkbox"/> Fair | <input type="checkbox"/> Poor | <input type="checkbox"/> Bad |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|

17. OUTBUILDINGS (visible from public road)

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|---|---|---------------------------------|---|----------------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Barn(s)           | <input type="checkbox"/> Carriage House | <input type="checkbox"/> Garage | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Shed(s) | <input type="checkbox"/> Shop(s) |
| Other (well, stand, greenhouse, gazebo, privy, etc.): |   |                                 |   |                                  |

18. LANDSCAPING (visible from public road)

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|---|--|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Planted Grounds | <input type="checkbox"/> Garden        | <input type="checkbox"/> Terracing  | <input type="checkbox"/> Plaza       | <input type="checkbox"/> Court  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stone Wall(s)              | <input type="checkbox"/> Pickett Fence | <input type="checkbox"/> Iron Fence | <input type="checkbox"/> Post & Rail | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: |

19. SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT

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

20. ROLE OF BUILDING IN ENHANCING QUALITY OF ENVIRONMENT

- |                                |   |                                     |                                  |                                 |
|--------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Vital | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Important | <input type="checkbox"/> Supportive | <input type="checkbox"/> Neutral | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: |
|--------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|

21. OWNERSHIP

- |                                 |                                  |  |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Public | <input type="checkbox"/> Private | <input type="checkbox"/> Interior accessible |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|

22. Name

DP & PO

Photographer

DP

Organization:

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

Date June 29, 1981

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23. THREATS TO BUILDING

- |                                     |  |  |                                     |                                 |
|-------------------------------------|--|--|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> None Known | <input type="checkbox"/> Highways      | <input type="checkbox"/> Vandalism     | <input type="checkbox"/> Developers | <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal    | <input type="checkbox"/> Private Owner | <input type="checkbox"/> Deterioration | <input type="checkbox"/> Other:     |                                 |

24. SUBSEQUENT EVALUATIONS

Name: Chittenden Farm

Alterations: The wing was increased to two-storey  
in 1905. Later a side porch was  
enclosed.

Source: George Chittenden, owner, 1983.