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HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY: **Buildings & Structures** 

SURVEY OF GUILFORD, NEW HAVEN COUNTY, 06437 June-December 1981

Town No.:				Site No.: 229				
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QUAD:		Q16.25	2 10 2					

1. ADDRESS 145 Ledge Hill Road or Meeting House Hill

2. NAME (map 109, lot 12)

(historic) NAME (common)

North Guilford Congregational Church Parsonage

3. USE (historic) USF

(present)

Parsonage

4. IF MOVED, WHEN AND FROM WHERE:



5. ARCHITECT See below

6. DATE c1820 BUILDER

See below Federal

7. ALTERATIONS

Siding: side wing and rear shed addition (late 19th century).

DESCRIPTION

Mutules and dentils in delicate cornice and door hood; elliptical fanlight in gable and fanlight over door; asymmetrical fenestration; and red stone block foundation with no mortar. Possibly the work of Abraham Coan: see the Congregational Church.

9. ARCHITECTURAL-HISTORICAL Comparsion with the North Guilford Congregational Church, for which this is the parsonage, shows some similarities. The pedimented gable decorated with mutules echoes that of the entrance portico of the church, both in form and ornament. This house has a fine entry with a fanlight over the door and a pedimented hood supported by slender columns and with ornament reflecting that of the gable. The parsonage contributes to the charm of Meeting House Hill.

The Rev. Zolva Whitmore and his bride were the first to occupy this house as the parsonage in 1824. The Church's earlier parsonage was auctioned off in 1807. We find no reference to the original owner or builder of this house in the official Church

history.

10. SOURCES

Dorothy Whitfield Society; Connecticut Historical Commission; Rena Lane, A History of the North Guilford Congregational Church; Dean Dudley, A History of the Dudley Family.

SIGNIFICANCE

SOURCES

In all categories below, check more than one box if applicable.