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

1. ADDRESS

143 North Fair Street

(map 46, lot 144)

2. NAME

(historic)

Solomon Stone

NAME

(common)

3. **USE** (historic)

USE

Private house

(present)

4 IF MOVED, WHEN AND FROM WHERE: Originally sited between Church and North Fair Street, and bounded on the south by York Street, it was moved to the corner and later to its present site.

5. ARCHITECT

6. DATE

1766

BUILDER

Colonial STYLE

Town No .:

DISTRICT

NR

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UTM QUAD: FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

IF NR SPECIFY

Actual

Site No. 283

Potential

7. ALTERATIONS

8. NOTABLE FEATURES

Clapboards' width graduated on facade; 8/12 sash except for the 6/6 sash in leanto; plain door and window frames; stone chimney (rebuilt).

9. ARCHITECTURAL-HISTORICAL Graduated clapboards are an interesting feature of this Colonial house. As in similar houses, this feature appears only on the facade, evidence that its purpose was decoration, not added weather protection. The one-room plan with integral lean-to is typical of the middle 18th century period.

The house was built for Solomon Stone, whose heirs kept it until the 1920s. Originally at a site between Church and North Fair Streets, bounded on the south by York Street, this house was moved about 100 feet, by the State Highway Department when the Post Road was widened about 1927. In December 1952 the house was moved approximately 1,200 feet and as the crow flies about 300 feet, to its present position at an angle on the east side of North Street.

10. SOURCES

Dorothy Whitfield Society; Connecticut Historical Commission; Mary Hoadley Griswold, Yester-Years of Guilford; New Haven Register 17 Photograph: Guilford Keeping Society, Dana Collection January 1954. p. 91 #126.

☐ 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
Gambrel ☐ Cross-gable ☐ Flat Hip ☐ False Dormer ☐ Mansard ☐ Flat ☐ Sawtooth b.

Tower(s) □ Monitor ☐ Cupola ☐ Dormered Gable ☐ Dome c. Wood Shingle ☐ Asphalt Shingle ☐ Slate ☐ Metal ☐ Other: 14. NUMBER OF STORIES: APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS: 1/2 ACRE (APPRO) 15. CONDITION: Exterior ☐ Excellent Good-Fair ☐ Poor ☐ Bad 16. CONDITION: Structure DESCRIPTION □ Excellent ☐ Good ☐ Fair ☐ Poor ☐ Bad 17. OUTBUILDINGS (visible from public road) ☐ 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 b. @ Commercial c. Dopen ☐ Rural ☐ Industrial ☐ Wooded ☐ Semi-rural ☐ Agricultural ☐ Lakefront Clustered Growth Residential ☐ Coastal ☐ Development Vacation, now or originally ☐ Salt marsh d.

Of outstanding scenic/architectural value Of scenic/architectural value although hard to see ☐ 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 283 P. Odiseos 22. Name BY Negative R. 1:34F Photographer P. Odusen COMPILED Organization: Guilford Preservation Alliance P.O. Box 199, Guilford, Conn. 06437

□ Vandalism

□ Deterioration

☐ Developers

☐ Other:

If you have not actually made certain of the answer to a given question, either leave it blank or write "inferred" after the

☐ Stucco

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

11. MATERIALS Clapboard

checked box; or, if drawn from a previous investigator, give source.

☐ Brick

23. THREATS TO BUILDING

24. SUBSEQUENT EVALUATIONS

☐ Highways

☐ Private Owner

□ None Known

□ Renewal

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