

# HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY - BUILDING AND STRUCTURES

Please send completed form to: Stacey Vairo, National Register and State Register Coordinator,  
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2nd Floor, Hartford, CT 06103

\* Note: Please attach any additional or expanded information on a separate sheet.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Building Name (Common) 396 North River Street  
 Building Name (Historic) Jason Evarts House  
 Street Address or Location 396 North River Street  
 Town/City Guilford Village \_\_\_\_\_ County New Haven  
 Owner(s) Frank and Carol Cavallaro  Public  Private

## PROPERTY INFORMATION

Present Use: Residence: Single Family Dwelling  
 Historic Use: Residence: Single Family Dwelling

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

Interior accessible?  Yes  No If yes, explain \_\_\_\_\_

Style of building Vernacular Date of Construction c. 1870 (Helander)

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

- |  |   |                                      |                                       |   |
|--|---|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| <input 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 checked="" 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: 1.5 Approximate Dimensions 34' 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

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**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:

Located on a .87 acre parcel, this south facing house is located on the west side of North River Street, at the intersection with North Street and just south of the intersection with Mill Pond Drive. The street runs parallel to Church Street (at its west) and is a quarter of a mile south of Interstate 95. A small driveway extends off of the street in front of the house, on the south side and ends at a one car garage attached to the west side elevation. (See Continuation Sheet)

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

Built in c. 1870, this one and a half story Vernacular style building sits atop a stone foundation and is sheathed in red aluminum siding. The side gable roof is covered in asphalt shingles with one chimney centered on the north side of the ridge line and another chimney on the east elevation eave wall. The south facade has two parts, an eastern side gable section and a west side that has a wing extending the roof line southward. (See Continuation Sheet)

Architect Unknown Builder Unknown

- Historical or Architectural importance:

Jason Evarts (b. 1814) was the first owner of this house after he acquired the vacant lot in 1867. He worked as a butcher and lived in the house with his wife Rosetta Hull, and children Joel and Fanny and son in law Stephen Terfenee. George Stevens owned the house by 1872. Mary Ann Durgin was a later owner. As of November of 2015, the current owner of this house has obtained a demolition permit and this house will be razed.

- Sources:

Ancestry.com, United States Federal Census Records, 1870- Helander, Joel Eliot , "A Treasury of Guilford Places," Guilford, CT: Joel Helander, 2008; Property card obtained at <http://www.propertyrecordcards.com/PropertyResults.aspx?towncode=060&uniqueid=1103> on October 28, 2015.

Photographer Jordan Sorensen Date 01/31/2015  
View South, camera facing north Negative on File \_\_\_\_\_  
Name Jordan Sorensen Date 10/28/2015  
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- Subsequent field evaluations:

Latitude: 41.294603  
Longitude: -72.654479

**Threats to the building or site:**

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

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**Buildings and Surroundings Continued**

A white fence with arched doorway borders the east side of the property along the street.

**Notable Features Continued**

The fenestration from west to east on the south façade includes one six over six hung sash window, a small rectangular fixed window on the top half story level, a six over six hung sash window on the first floor, a front door entry, and a four pane small fixed window. Black shutters flank each window and the front door. The dark colored front door is surrounded by a simple, door surround with an arched crown.



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\*Due to the imminent razing of this building, included are some interior photos from Zillow.com

