

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY - BUILDING AND STRUCTURES

Please send completed form to: Stacey Vairo, National Register and State Register Coordinator,
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* Note: Please attach any additional or expanded information on a separate sheet.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Building Name (Common) 21 Pearl Street
 Building Name (Historic) Elisaph H. Butler House
 Street Address or Location 21 Pearl Street
 Town/City Guilford Village _____ County New Haven
 Owner(s) Brian and Lucy Weady Public Private

PROPERTY INFORMATION

Present Use: Residence: Multi 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 Greek Revival Date of Construction 1876 (Helander)

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

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Clapboard | <input type="checkbox"/> Asbestos Siding | <input type="checkbox"/> Brick | <input checked="" 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 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: 2.5 Approximate Dimensions 30' x 28'

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: Converted to multi family home

FOR OFFICE USE: Town # _____ Site # _____ UTM _____

District: S NR If NR, Specify: Actual Potential

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 .29 acre parcel, this west facing house is on the east side of Pearl Street, just north of the south end of the street where it intersects with Boston Street. It is in a residential area with many houses and located about a half mile east of the Guilford Green. A driveway extends past the north side of the house with a parking area. The driveway is shared and continues north to another property.

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

Built in 1876, this two and half story Greek Revival style house sits atop a brick foundation and is sheathed in white wood shingle siding. The front gable roof is covered in asphalt shingles and has a chimney on the ridgeline. A small three pane, horizontal, fixed window with an arched top and black shutters is located in the pediment of the roof. Three six over six hung sash windows are on the second story level under cornice returns. (See Continuation Sheet)

Architect Unknown Builder Unknown

- Historical or Architectural importance:

The first owner of this house was Elisaph H. Butler in 1876 with his wife Fannie. He owned a hardware store at 9 Boston Street (now Page's Hardware) and is known as being one of the first merchants in Guilford to install electricity in his store in 1896. His three children Jennie B. Coulter, Harriett B. Davis, and Paul L. Butler owned the house until 1938. The next owner was Leslie Dudley and his wife Judith who owned the house through the 1990s. They had two children, Robert and Joyce. Leslie Dudley was First Selectman for the town of Guilford for over two decades, from 1934–1956.

- Sources:

Ancestry.com, United States Federal Census Records, 1900-1940; Helander, Joel, "House Dating Dossiers," 1991; 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=2033> on October 17, 2015.

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View West, camera facing east Negative on File _____
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- Subsequent field evaluations:

Latitude: 41.283844
Longitude: -72.676530

Threats to the building or site:

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

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CONTINUATION SHEET

21 Pearl Street

Notable Features Continued

Two more of the same windows are underneath on the first floor level with a covered front door entry at the south side of the façade. The single entry, flat roofed porch has four square columns with a full entablature crown. A small stoop with two white railings and simple balustrade lead up to the door. Also visible from the façade is a bay window on the south side elevation.

