

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) 28 Pearl Street
 Building Name (Historic) George B. Norton House
 Street Address or Location 28 Pearl Street
 Town/City Guilford Village _____ County New Haven
 Owner(s) Leroy Sperry Revocable Trust 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 1887 (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 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <u>Vinyl</u> | | |

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 48' 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 a 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 .93 acre parcel, this east facing house is on the west side of Pearl Street, about halfway between the ends of Pearl Street that intersect with Union Street at the north and Boston Street at the south. It is in a residential area with many houses and located about a half mile east of the Guilford Green. A small parking area is located at the north east corner of the house. (See Continuation Sheet)

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

Built in 1887, this two and a half story Greek Revival style house sits atop a poured concrete foundation and is sheathed in light blue vinyl siding with white trim. The front gable roof is covered in asphalt shingles and has one chimney on the ridge line. A square casement window is located in the raking cornice pediment of the roof. Three one over one hung sash windows, under the cornice return, are located on the second floor level. (See Continuation Sheet)

Architect Unknown Builder John C. Norton (Helander)

- Historical or Architectural importance:

The original owner of this house in 1887 was George B. Norton, a salesman, who was the nephew of builder John C. Norton. John C. Norton was a prolific builder in Guilford (17 surviving) and also lived at 52 Pearl Street. He subcontracted his services along with contracting for his own clients. He was also the general manager of Fowler & Colburn fish oil works at Indian Cove for 18 years. George B. Norton lived in this house with his wife May, and children Ernest and Elizabeth.

- Sources:

Ancestry.com, United States Federal Census Records, 1880-1910; 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=6864> on October 17, 2015.

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View East, camera facing west Negative on File _____
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Organization Guilford Preservation Alliance
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- Subsequent field evaluations:

Latitude: 41.284005
Longitude: -72.676661

Threats to the building or site:

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

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CONTINUATION SHEET

28 Pearl Street

Building and Surroundings Continued

A garage and shed are located on the property but connect to the neighbor's driveway, also owned by Leroy Sperry Trust.

Notable Features Continued

Two more of the same windows are underneath on the first floor. A front door entry is on the south side of the façade and has a door surround with two pilasters and a full entablature crown. A wood finish door with two paneled windows sits behind a red screen door. A concrete stoop leads up to the front door. A small wing extends off the south side elevation and there is a small porch that is inset in the ell between the main building and the wing.

