

# 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) 86 Water Street  
 Building Name (Historic) John Norton House  
 Street Address or Location 86 Water Street  
 Town/City Guilford Village \_\_\_\_\_ County New Haven  
 Owner(s) Robert and Melissa Carroll  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 Italianate Date of Construction 1850 (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 Approximate Dimensions 47' x 26'

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: Wrap around porch removed after 1981

**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 .43 acre parcel, this northwest facing house sits just southeast past the intersection of Water Street (Route 146) with Howard Drive. It is also a quarter of a mile southeast of the Guilford Green. It is in a residential area, with many other houses surrounding it. It sits close to the road and a brick path leads from the sidewalk to the front stoop. A small driveway ends past the southeast side of the house and ends at a four car garage and parking area in the rear.

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

Built in 1850, this two story Italianate house sits atop a stone brick foundation and is sheathed in green vinyl siding with white trim. The hipped roof with wide overhanging eaves and is covered in asphalt shingles and has one chimney in the center. A wide band of trim sits above three six over one hung sash windows are on the second floor level and two are on the first floor with a door entry on the northeast side of the facade. (See Continuation Sheet)

Architect Unknown Builder Unknown

- Historical or Architectural importance:

John Norton was the first owner of this house in 1850 after he married Lucinda Leete in 1847 and became a blacksmith. While living in this house they had three children, Charles, Mary, and Nellie. By 1853, the family moved to Middletown, CT. Norton enlisted for the Civil War in 1862 and was appointed Corporal in Company I, 21st Regiment, Connecticut Infantry "the Middletown Company." Unfortunately, Norton died later that year from typhoid fever in Virginia. He is buried in Leetes Island Cemetery and his name appears on the south side of the Soldiers Monument at the Guilford Town Green. Later owners of this house were Augustus S. Hale in 1857 and Richard Parmelee in 1859. Heirs of Richard Parmelee and John Jackson owned it after that.

- Sources:

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=3311> on August 10, 2015; Tomaselli, Tracy, "Civil War Soldiers, Guilford, Connecticut," 2014.

Photographer Jordan Sorensen Date 01/11/2015

View Northwest, camera facing southeast Negative on File \_\_\_\_\_

Name Jordan Sorensen Date 08/10/2015

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- Subsequent field evaluations:

Latitude: 41.279870  
Longitude: -72.685327

**Threats to the building or site:**

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

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CONTINUATION SHEET

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**Notable Features**

The door has a large surround with two pilasters and large entablature. The house looks like an Italianate house that is void of all decorative details except for the door surround.

