

## HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY - BUILDING AND STRUCTURES

Please send completed form to: Stacey Vairo, National Register and State Register Coordinator,  
State Historic Preservation Office, Department of Economic and Community Development, One Constitution Plaza,  
2nd Floor, Hartford, CT 06103

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

### GENERAL INFORMATION

Building Name (Common) 472 Whitfield Street  
 Building Name (Historic) Levi W. Thrall Sr. House  
 Street Address or Location 472 Whitfield Street  
 Town/City Guilford Village \_\_\_\_\_ County New Haven  
 Owner(s) Philip and Stephanie Johnson ☐ Public ☒ Private

### PROPERTY INFORMATION

Present Use: Residential: Dwelling  
 Historic Use: Residential: 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 c. 1865 (Helander)

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

☒ Clapboard ☐ Asbestos Siding ☐ Brick ☐ Wood Shingle ☐ Asphalt Siding  
☐ Fieldstone ☐ Board & Batten ☐ Stucco ☐ Cobblestone ☐ Aluminum Siding  
☐ Concrete (Type \_\_\_\_\_) ☐ Cut Stone (Type \_\_\_\_\_) ☐ 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 Arch. Shingles

Number of Stories: 2 Approximate Dimensions 40' x 50'

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

## 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 .78 acre parcel, this southwest facing house is in a fairly dense residential area at the east end of Whitfield Street on the north side of the road between Seaside Avenue and Seaview Terrace. It is about 500 feet away from the fork of Whitfield and Old Whitfield Street to the west and the Guilford Town Marina to the east. It is set far back from the road, yet is still very visible. (See Continuation Sheet)

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

Built c. 1865, this Greek Revival style house sits on a stone brick foundation, has two stories and is sheathed in grey clapboard siding. It has a side gable roof covered in architectural shingles with two chimneys, one on the western ridgeline of the roof and one on the east side elevation. There is a partial pediment formed by a peak in the roof and the wide cornice in the middle of the front facade. Underneath is a eight over eight hung sash window. (See C.S.)

Architect Unknown Builder Unknown

- Historical or Architectural importance:

Levi W. Thrall, Sr. and wife, Antoinette, originally owned this house. Levi was a farmer and they had five children. As of 1870, they had many other people living in the house including four men in their 60s-70s and a 24 year old female. Levi Thrall, Sr. died in 1904. The house stayed in the family, going to Levi W. Thrall, Jr. who was a pilot and oysterman. He continued to live there with his daughter and her husband, Walter and Grace Buell, until at least the 1920s.

- Sources:

Ancestry.com, 1870, 1900 United States Federal Census [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations, Inc., 2009. Images reproduced by FamilySearch; Helander, Joel, "Treasury of Guilford Places" Self Published: Guilford, CT, 2008; Property card obtained at <http://www.propertyrecordcards.com/PropertyResults.aspx?towncode=060&uniqueid=1855> on July 27, 2015.

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View Southwest, camera facing northeast Negative on File \_\_\_\_\_  
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- Subsequent field evaluations:

Latitude: 41.272999  
Longitude: -72.667839

### Threats to the building or site:

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

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### CONTINUATION SHEET

472 Whitfield Street

#### **Building and surroundings**

A driveway extends past the east side and ends in the rear at a parking lot and a two car garage.

#### **Notable Features**

Two windows are located on either on the second story level, both nine over nine hung sash windows. The same four windows are directly below them on the first floor. There is a one story, gable roof covered entry. The door is dark green and has four panels with a long narrow four paned window at the top. A stone stoop leads up to the entry door. To the west, there is a side gable two story wing with two windows on the second story level and a bay window with three nine over nine hung sash windows.

