

189 BERGEN COUNTY STONE HOUSE SURVEY  
INDIVIDUAL STRUCTURE SURVEY FORM

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GENERAL

HISTORIC NAME: Frederick Wortendyke House  
 COMMON NAME:  
 LOCATION: 168 Pascack Road  
(Block 2401, Lot 3)  
Woodcliff Lake  
 MUNICIPALITY:  
 OWNERSHIP:  Public  Private  
 OWNER/ADDRESS: Michael & Karen Collins  
(same)

REFERENCE

MAP REFERENCES:  
 Erskine (1778-80)  
 Hopkins-Corey (1861)  
 Walker's Atlas (1876) P.F. Wortendyke  
 Bromley (1912) L. Fiske  
 Other  
 RECOGNITION:  
 National Register  BCHS Marker  
 HABS  Bailey  
 Other

ENVIRONMENT

HOUSE ORIENTATION: S 18° W  
 IMPORTANT RELATED STRUCTURES:  
 SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:  
 Residential  
 Commercial  
 Agricultural  
 Open Space  
 Other  
 COMMENTS:

USE

ORIGINAL: Residence  
 PRESENT: Residence  
 THREATS TO STRUCTURE:  
 Roads  
 Development  
 Zoning  
 Deterioration  
 Other  
 No Threat,  
 COMMENTS:

CONDITION

CONDITION:  
 Excellent  Good  
 Fair  Deteriorated  
 STATUS:  
 Occupied  
 Unoccupied  
 Work in Progress  
 ACCESSIBLE:  
 Yes, Restricted  
 Yes, Unrestricted  
 No

This is a sturdy looking house with its heavy Victorian detailing, and a feeling of spaciousness within. The detailing includes Victorian mantels, bannister, etc. There are sliding doors between the parlors.

PHOTO



MAP



**DESCRIPTION**

**CONSTRUCTION DATE/SOURCE:**  
1812-1825/Howard I. Durie

**NUMBER OF STORIES:** 1-1/2  
**CELLAR:**  Yes  
 No

**BUILDER:**  
Frederick Wortendyke, IV  
**FORM/PLAN TYPE:**  
Similar to "I" 3 bay, 2 rooms deep,  
(30'2" x 32'3" deep). Frame wing  
was farm building across street.

**CHIMNEY FOUNDATION:**  
 Stone Arch  
 Brick Arch, Stone Foundation  
 Other

**FRAMING SYSTEM:**  
 Intermediate Summer Beam  
 Intermediate Bearing Wall  
 Clear Span  
 Other

**FLOOR JOISTS:**  
6" x 8-9", 27-33" between

**EXTERIOR WALL FABRIC:**  
Irregular random sandstone w/ heavily  
cemented joints. East wall frame w/  
clapboards.

**FIRST FLOOR CEILING HEIGHT:**  
10'11"

**FIRST FLOOR WALL THICKNESS:**  
approximately 22"

**FENESTRATION:**  
37" x 6'0" (2/2), brick soldier  
lintels.

**GARRET FLOOR JOISTS:**  
not visible

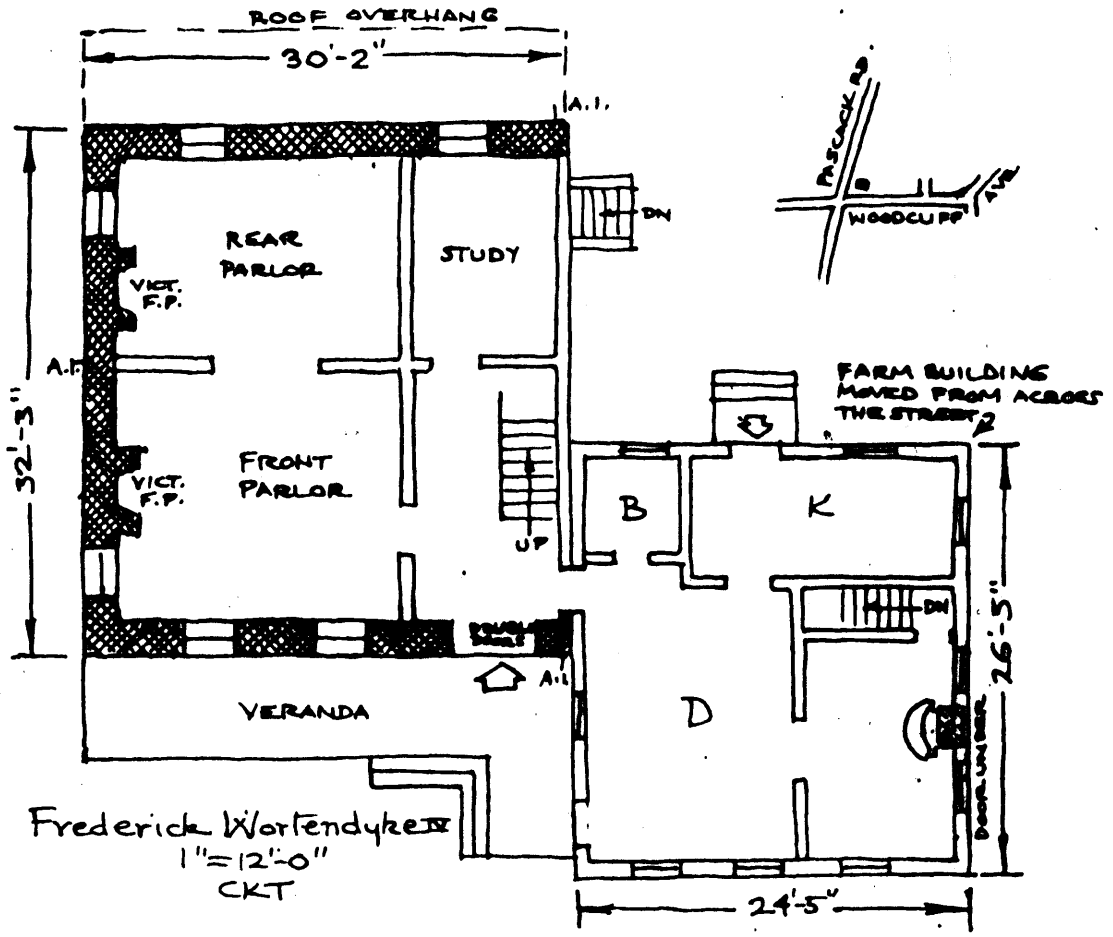
**GARRET:**  
 Unfinished Space  
 Finished Space

**ENTRANCE LOCATION/TYPE:**  
Easternmost bay of south facade,  
Victorian double doors, 4'0" x 8'0".

**ROOF:**  
 Gable  
 Gambrel  
 Curb  
 Other

**EAVE TREATMENT:**  
 Sweeping Overhang (wide)  
 Supported Overhang (front)  
 No Overhang  
 Boxed Gutter  
 Other

This house, while having been altered through the years, still retains a sufficient amount of its original fabric that it should be recognized and retained. We are therefore including it for its architectural significance, for its association with the exploration and settlement of the Bergen County area, and for its remaining historic fabric. As such, it is included in the Thematic Nomination to the National Register of Historic Places for the Early Stone Houses of Bergen County, New Jersey.



Frederick Wortendyke, Jr. of #12 Pascack Road, Park Ridge purchased the property c. 1773 for his son Frederick, III for his marriage to cousin Jane Wortendyke. It was a 100 acre tract belonging to Isaac Alyea who had built his house about 200 feet north on the west side of the street. They had five children of whom only Frederick, born in 1784, was the only surviving son. In the late 1780's Frederick, III died and his widow remained here until 1803 when she remarried. Frederick, IV was deeded 36.90 acres in 1805, married Cornelia Hogencamp in 1806 and came to Woodcliff Lake about 1807. The house appears on a road return of July, 1825 with both sections in place. Frederick, IV built a store across the street (Pascack Road) and died in 1860. Frederick, V inherited the house and 59 acres. Dr. Henry Neer bought the property in 1899, Lyman Fiske in 1902 and Frederick Hollenbeck in 1920. The latter owned it for almost fifty years and is stood vacant for some time after that.

(Source: Howard I. Durie)

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

Block 2401, Lot 3 - Woodcliff Lake Tax Map

Less than 1 acre

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