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The James Whitall Jr. House was built in 1766 and has received only minor alterations to its exterior and interior over the years.

- 1. Exterior: The exterior of the house is red brick (Flemish bond on the south facade and common bond on the other walls). There is a double molded brick water table on the south facade also, as well as a flashing course. The house is two stories with a gable roof covered with a metal roof. The wood box cornice with modillion blocks is probably not original although the gables were undoubtedly pedimented as they now are. The barge boards are not original. The east gable contains the building date of "1766" in glazed brick headers. The wide main doorway on the south has the original frame with six lights above it although the door is modern. The 12/12 and 9/12 windows are remarkable in that they all retain the original frames and sash. A dropped window on the north elevation would seem to indicate the original stairway location. The present porch on three sides is not original; there would have been a porch on the south side only as indicated by the brick flashing course.
- 2. Interior: The plan of the house is a typical four room plan with two front parlors, a rear dining room and kitchen. The present stairway immediately opposite the front door appears to be a renovation. The interior trim includes raised paneling over two corner fireplaces and on an end wall fireplace on the first floor, as well as over-mantel cabinets with H hinges, and original interior wood cornice. The former chair rail has been removed. Modern hardwood flooring is laid over the original wide boards, and baseboard heat replaces original wood baseboard. The original four bedrooms have been made into six bedrooms on the second floor.
- 3. Site: The house is situated on a rise of land, well back from the southeast corner of two suburban streets. There is a midnineteenth century wood frame stable just southeast of the house.



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