

**HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY
BUILDING AND STRUCTURES**

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Town No.:	Site No.:		
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QUAD:	Branford		
DISTRICT	IF NR, SPECIFY		
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STATE OF CONNECTICUT
CONNECTICUT HISTORICAL COMMISSION
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IDENTIFICATION	1. BUILDING NAME (Common) <i>(Historic)</i>		Private Residence		Timothy Bradley House	
	2. TOWN/CITY		VILLAGE		COUNTY	
	Branford				New Haven	
	3. STREET AND NUMBER (and/or location)					
	12 Bradley Street Map D8, Block 6, Lot 6; .34 acres					
	4. OWNER(S)					
R. Robert Reinhold <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private						
DESCRIPTION	5. USE (Present) <i>(Historic)</i>		Two-Family Dwelling		One-Family Dwelling	
	6. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: EXTERIOR VISIBLE FROM PUBLIC ROAD INTERIOR ACCESSIBLE IF YES, EXPLAIN					
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No					
	7. STYLE OF BUILDING				DATE OF CONSTRUCTION	
	New England Colonial				c.1730	
	8. MATERIAL(S) (Indicate use or location when appropriate)					
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Clapboard <input type="checkbox"/> Asbestos Siding <input type="checkbox"/> Brick <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)					
	<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:					
9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM						
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wood frame <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Post and beam <input type="checkbox"/> balloon						
<input type="checkbox"/> Load bearing masonry <input type="checkbox"/> Structural iron or steel						
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)						
10. ROOF (Type)						
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gable <input type="checkbox"/> Flat <input type="checkbox"/> Mansard <input type="checkbox"/> Monitor <input type="checkbox"/> sawtooth						
<input type="checkbox"/> Gambrel <input type="checkbox"/> Shed <input type="checkbox"/> Hip <input type="checkbox"/> Round <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)						
(Material)						
<input type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle <input type="checkbox"/> Roll Asphalt <input type="checkbox"/> Tin <input type="checkbox"/> Slate						
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Asphalt shingle <input type="checkbox"/> Built up <input type="checkbox"/> Tile <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)						
11. NUMBER OF STORIES		APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS				
2 1/2		36 feet x 26 feet				
12. CONDITION (Structural) <i>(Exterior)</i>						
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated						
13. INTEGRITY (Location)		WHEN ?		(Alterations) IF YES, EXPLAIN		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On original site <input type="checkbox"/> Moved				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
14. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES						
<input type="checkbox"/> Barn <input type="checkbox"/> Shed <input type="checkbox"/> Garage <input type="checkbox"/> Other landscape features or buildings (Specify)						
<input type="checkbox"/> Carriage house <input type="checkbox"/> Shop <input type="checkbox"/> Garden						
15. SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT						
<input type="checkbox"/> Open land <input type="checkbox"/> Wood-land <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Residential <input type="checkbox"/> Scattered buildings visible from site						
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Rural <input type="checkbox"/> High building density						
16. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS						
Located within former borough; in a commercial residential area; bordered on the east by a twentieth-century brick apartment house, on the west by an auto repair shop.						

(OVER)

17. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING OR SITE (interior and/or exterior)

DESCRIPTION (Continued)

Constructed on a rectangular plan with its ridge parallel to the street, this structure has a pitched roof with a brick center chimney which straddles the ridge. It has a symmetrical five-bay, nine window facade with twelve-over-twelve sash. Its gables have five windows suggesting a five-room plan. The exterior has clapboard siding and features a single-entry door with surrounding molding capped by a smooth frieze and projecting cornice. This entablature may be a nineteenth-century addition.

18. ARCHITECT

N/A

BUILDER

Unknown

19. HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE

SIGNIFICANCE

The Timothy Bradley house was first recorded by the Colonial Dames about 1923 and dated c.1730 by J. Frederick Kelly who did the measured drawings. Land records at that time traced ownership of house to Rachel Swaine, daughter of Daniel Swaine, the original owner of the land, who married Joseph Browne in 1726. Recent research of land records seem generally to corroborate this. The house was sold to Timothy Bradley in 1778 and remained in the Bradley family nearly a century, thus acquiring its historic name.

The W.P.A. survey dates the house c.1797 but gives no supporting evidence for this date. Architecturally, the house represents the typical full two-story New England house as it evolved at the end of the Second Period (1691-1720) (Keith).

The Timothy Bradley house is significant in Branford's collection of eighteenth-century houses for its integrity of location, design, materials and workmanship. As an example of eighteenth century colonial architecture, it meets Criteria C of the National Register of Historic Places.

SOURCES

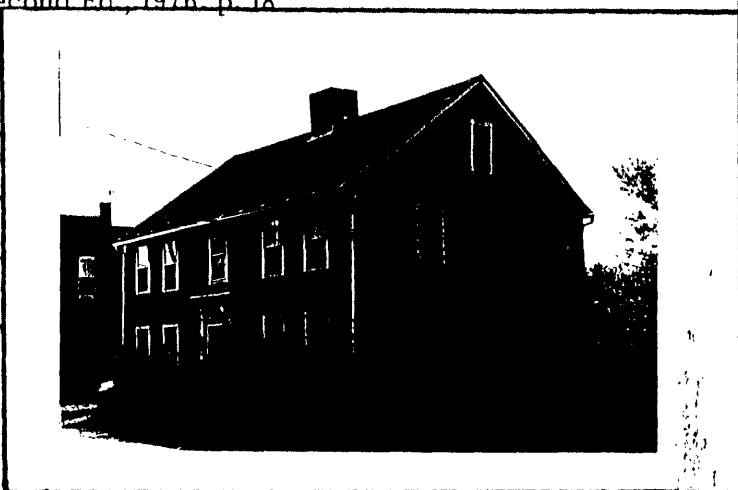
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20. SUBSEQUENT FIELD EVALUATIONS

21. THREATS TO BUILDING OR SITE

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None known | <input type="checkbox"/> Highways | <input type="checkbox"/> Vandallism | <input type="checkbox"/> Developers | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal | <input type="checkbox"/> Private | <input type="checkbox"/> Deterloration | <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning | <input type="checkbox"/> Explanation _____ |