

FORM B - BUILDING

Area	Form no.
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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
294 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02108

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 PHOTO (3x3" or 3x5", black & white)  
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 Photo number \_\_\_\_\_  
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Town Ipswich

Address 7 Poplar Street

Historic Name Dr. John Calef House

Use: Original residential

Present residential

Ownership:  Private individual  
 Private organization \_\_\_\_\_

Public \_\_\_\_\_

Original owner Thomas Knowlton

Present owner Lawrence Wallace

DESCRIPTION:

Date c. 1671

Source Waters T

Style First period with second period exterior alterations

Architect \_\_\_\_\_

Exterior wall fabric clapboard

Outbuildings garage

Major alterations (with dates) exterior trim, sash c. 1775

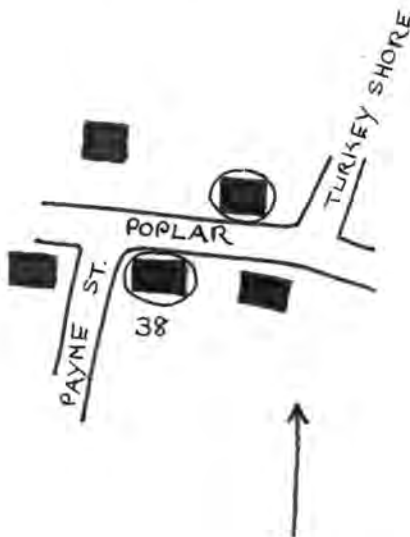
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Approx. acreage less than one acre

Setting residential

SKETCH MAP

Draw map showing property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings or geographical features. Indicate north.



Recorded by Margaret Welden

Organization Ipswich Historical Commission

Date October 1978

Assessor's lot # 137-K

UTM References: 19/349670/4726250

(Staple additional sheets here)

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ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within community)

The Calef House is a 2½ story end gable house with central chimney. While its core, including timber frame, is 17th Century, its present appearance dates to the mid-18th Century. The five bay symmetrical facade is centered around the entry which is framed by pilasters and a projecting entablature and headed by a rectangular transom. The overhanging cornice is supported by carved modillions. The Calef House is significant as a representative First Period house with high quality Second Period alterations.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community)

Deacon Thomas Knowlton bought 3/4 of an acre from Goodman Younglove in 1671 and built this house on South Main St. John Heard acquired it in 1777 and moved it to land he owned on Poplar St. He then built a pretentious Federal period mansion in 1795 on the old site (Area J#41) facing South Green.

Dr. John Calef, a noted Tory who appeared in Paul Revere's famous broadside, "A Warm Place Hell," lived in the house before Heard purchased it.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

T.F. Waters, Ipswich in the Mass. Bay Colony, Vol. I, p. 453.

# 9. Major Bibliographical References

See continuation sheets

UTM NOT VERIFIED  
ACREAGE NOT VERIFIED

# 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property approx. 1500

Quadrangle name Ipswich

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

### UMT References

A 

1	9	3	4	8	4	2	0	4	7	2	8	3	7	0
Zone	Easting				Northing									

B 

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Zone	Easting				Northing									

C 

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Zone	Easting				Northing									

D 

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E 

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Zone	Easting				Northing									

F 

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Zone	Easting				Northing									

G 

Zone	Easting				Northing									

H 

Zone	Easting				Northing									

### Verbal boundary description and justification

See continuation sheets and attached maps

### List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state code county code

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# 11. Form Prepared By

name/title Candace Jenkins, National Register Coordinator with Edward Zimmer  
(Ipswich Historical Commission) Margaret Welden

organization Massachusetts Historical Comm. date April 1980

street & number 294 Washington Street telephone (617) 727-8470

city or town Boston state Massachusetts

# 12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national  state  local

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature Patricia L. Westbrooke 6/24/80

title Executive Director, Massachusetts Historical Commission

For HCRS use only

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

Bruce A. Bago date 9/17/81  
Keeper of the National Register

Attest: Patrick Andrus date 9/15/80  
Chief of Registration

Property

Wenham Village, Ipswich, Massachusetts  
Multiple Resource Area (partial inventory)

State

MA, Essex

Working Number

7/1/80/1746

**TECHNICAL**

**CONTROL**

Photos 32

Maps 1, 19

**HISTORIAN**

accept  
Patrick Anderson  
9/15/80

This is an excellent multiple resource nomination - the surveyed area covers the historic Ipswich Village. The nomination includes four districts and ten individual properties. The districts are logically drawn and show the development over time of the village. The nomination includes an incredible number of 17th and 18th cent. buildings and some 19th cent. buildings. There are no intrusions - 1500 acres. The nomination form closely follows the requirements for mult. Res. nominations spelled out in the "How to"

**ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN**

**ARCHEOLOGIST**

**OTHER**

**HAER**

Inventory \_\_\_\_\_

Review \_\_\_\_\_

**REVIEW UNIT CHIEF**

**BRANCH CHIEF**

**KEEPER**

National Register Write-up \_\_\_\_\_

Send-back \_\_\_\_\_

Entered SEP 17 1980

Federal Register Entry 2.3.81

Re-submit \_\_\_\_\_



CENTRAL VILLAGE IPSWICH, MASSACHUSETTS  
MULTIPLE RESOURCE AREA/ESSEX CO. MA

- Calef, Dr. John, Herse

JUL 1

1980

4 Poplar  
Roll 10  
Neg. 21

Please refer to the map in the  
Multiple Property Cover Sheet  
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000276