

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY
BUILDING AND STRUCTURES

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Town No.:	Site No.:
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QUAD:	Guilford
DISTRICT	IF NR, SPECIFY
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IDENTIFICATION

1. BUILDING NAME (Common) (Historic)
 John Rogers House

2. TOWN CITY VILLAGE COUNTY
 Branford Stony Creek New Haven

3. STREET AND NUMBER (and/or location)
 690 Leetes Island Road Map K9, Block 3, Lot 4; .46 acres

4. OWNER(S)
 Linda A. Miller Public Private

5. USE (Present) (Historic)
 One-Family Dwelling Same

6. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: EXTERIOR VEHICLE FROM PUBLIC ROAD INTERIOR ACCESSIBLE IF YES, EXPLAIN
 Yes No Yes No

DESCRIPTION

7. STYLE OF BUILDING DATE OF CONSTRUCTION
 New England Colonial 1750-1760

8. MATERIAL(S) (indicate use or location when appropriate)
 Clapboard Asbestos Siding Brick Other (Specify) _____
 Wood Shingle Asphalt Siding Fieldstone
 Board & Batten Stucco Cobblestone
 Aluminum Siding Concrete Type: _____ Cut stone Type: _____

9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM
 Wood frame Post and beam balloon
 Load bearing masonry Structural iron or steel
 Other (Specify) _____

10. ROOF (Type)
 Gable Flat Mansard Monitor sawtooth
 Gambrel Shed Hip Round Other (Specify) _____
 (Material)
 Wood Shingle Roll Asphalt Tin Slate
 Asphalt shingle Built up Tile Other (Specify) _____

11. NUMBER OF STORIES APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS
 2 1/2 36 ft x 42 ft

12. CONDITION (Structural) (Exterior)
 Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated

13. INTEGRITY / LIAISON WHEN ? (Alterations) IF YES, EXPLAIN
 On original site Moved Yes No Miscellaneous additions

14. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES
 Barn Shed Garage Other landscape features or buildings (Specify) _____
 Carriage house Shop Garden

15. SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT
 Open land Wood-land Residential Scattered buildings visible from site
 Commercial Industrial Rural High building density

16. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS
 Located on the main road to Stony Creek; surrounded by open space, salt marsh, two late nineteenth-century houses and farm land.

(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 steeply pitched roof with minimal overhang at the cornice. Small dentil moldings are featured below the cornice. Its brick center chimney straddles the ridge. It has a nine-window facade and a five-window gable. Windows have twelve-over-twelve sash except the attic window which has six-over-six sash. Its entry door is protected by a gabled hood with an arched ceiling, supported on large curvilinear brackets.

18 ARCHITECT N/A **BUILDER** Unknown

19 HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE

The John Rogers house was recorded on the WPA survey and dated 1810-15 by Elmer D. Keith. However, a well-researched and documented account of the house by David and Ann Clark puts the date of construction between 1750-1760. The house has had a marker on it for many years dating it 1765, but there does not appear to be any evidence to support this date.

This well-preserved and researched New England Colonial house provides a significant architectural record of rural life in this eastern section of Branford in the mid-eighteenth century. It is historically significant for its association with the Rogers family, a family whose history in Branford goes back to the earliest period of settlement. It is a well documented example in Branford's collection of colonial houses.

SIGNIFICANCE

SOURCES

Maps: Smith, 1856; Beers, 1868.
 W.P.A. Federal Writers Project. "Census of Old or Distinctive Buildings in the State of Connecticut," c.1936, No. 43.
 Clark, David and Ann Clark. "The John Rogers House, together with a brief history of the Rogers family in Branford and Stony Creek." Typscript, 1977.

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20 SUBSEQUENT FIELD EVALUATIONS

21 THREATS TO BUILDING OR SITE

None known
 Highways
 Vandalism
 Developers
 Other _____

