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FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
80 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02116

AREA	FORM NO.
D	256

Photo (3"x3" or 3"x5", black and white) Indicate address of property on back of photo. Staple to left side of form.

Sketch Map: Draw map showing property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and/or geographical features. Indicate all buildings between inventoried property and nearest intersection(s).
Indicate north

Town Wakefield

Address 32 Morrison Road

Historic Name NA

Use: Present Dwelling

Original Dwelling

DESCRIPTION

Date c.1906-08

Source visual analysis, map of 1906

Style Colonial Revival

Architect. NA

Exterior Wall Fabric Shingles, fieldstone

Outbuildings garage contributing
c. 1908

Major Alterations (with dates) _____

None

Condition Good

Moved NA Date NA

Acreage Under one acre

Setting Faces west on tree shaded
lot.

UTM REFERENCE 19/328350/4707230

USGS QUADRANGLE Reading, Mass.

SCALE 1:25,000

Recorded by Architectural Preservation Associates

Organization Wakefield Historical Commission

Date March 1985

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

Located in the Wakefield Park development (begun in 1880), this house typifies the local tendency to combine the Colonial Revival style with elements from other architectural styles - in this case Tudor Revival and Craftsman. Well-preserved, the house retains integrity of location, setting, design, materials, workmanship, feeling and association and meets Criteria A and C of the NRHP on the local level.

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE Describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within the community.

In Wakefield the Colonial Revival style is often seen in combination with other styles especially in this residential neighborhood. Here the Colonial Revival is combined with Tudor Revival and a suggestion of the Craftsman styles. The house is 2½ stories in height, has a gambrel roof with an intersecting gambrel gable in which is a Palladian window composition. Tudor Revival is the corner tower from which projects a porch with fieldstone aprons, a building technique brought to popularity by the Craftsman style.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE Explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community.

This house is located in Wakefield Park, a turn of the century development carved largely out of the property of Dr. Charles Jordan and J. S. Merrill. Jordan was a physician who lived on Avon Street until the 1870s when he bought a large portion of land on the west side, built his own home and then gradually sold off the land for suburban development, in this case to J.S. Merrill. Morrison Road was one of the earlier streets planned by Merrill along with Summit and Park Avenue as far east as Dell Avenue. By 1892 Merrill and Charles S. Hanks had joined to develop about 100 acres all west of Chestnut Street and south of Prospect Street into an upper class suburban neighborhood to house the affluent commuters who were attracted to Wakefield's healthy atmosphere.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

Middlesex County Registry of Deeds, Plan Book 76 page 43; Book 43 page 39.
Wakefield Historical Society, Vertical Files, "Wakefield Park".
Maps of 1889 (land of Dr. Charles Jordan), 1906 (lot of F.A. Swain).

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Continuation Sheet

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Wakefield MRA
State Middlesex County, MASSACHUSETTS

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

- 41. House at 23 Avon Street Entered in the
National Register Keeper *Shelous Byers* 7/6/89
Attest _____
- 42. House at 23 Lawrence Street Entered in the
National Register Keeper *Shelous Byers* 7/6/89
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- 43. House at 25 Avon Street Entered in the
National Register Keeper *Shelous Byers* 7/6/89
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- 44. House at 26 Francis Avenue Entered in the
National Register Keeper *Shelous Byers* 7/6/89
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- 45. House at 28 Cordis Street Entered in the
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- 46. House at 28 Wiley Street Entered in the
National Register Keeper *Shelous Byers* 7/6/89
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- 47. House at 30 Sheffield Road Entered in the
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- 48. House at 32 Morrison Road Entered in the
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- 49. House at 38 Salem Street Entered in the
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- 50. House at 380 Albion Street Entered in the
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY House at 32 Morrison Road
NAME:

MULTIPLE Wakefield MRA
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex

DATE RECEIVED: 5/23/89 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 6/06/89
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 6/22/89 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 7/07/89
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 89000723

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

ACCEPT RETURN REJECT 7/6/89 DATE Entered in the
National Register

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

RECOM./CRITERIA _____
REVIEWER _____
DISCIPLINE _____
DATE _____

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

CLASSIFICATION

count resource type

STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

FUNCTION

historic current

DESCRIPTION

architectural classification
 materials
 descriptive text

SIGNIFICANCE

Period Areas of Significance--Check and justify below

Specific dates Builder/Architect
Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

summary paragraph
 completeness
 clarity
 applicable criteria
 justification of areas checked
 relating significance to the resource
 context
 relationship of integrity to significance
 justification of exception
 other

BIBLIOGRAPHY

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

acreage verbal boundary description
 UTM's boundary justification

ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

sketch maps USGS maps photographs presentation

OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

Phone _____

Signed _____

Date _____



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32 Morrison Road.

House at

Wakefield MRT, Ma

D 256

32 MORRISON ROAD



SCALE: 1" = 80'



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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000300