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SOUTHBRIDGE MASS

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FORM B - BUILDING

AREA	FORM NO.
D	441

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
80 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02116

Photo # 1-10

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

Town Southbridge

Address 64 South St.

Historic Name Mrs. R. Marcy House

Use: Present residential

Original residential

DESCRIPTION

Date ca. 1878-1898

Source maps

Style Queen Anne

Architect unknown

Exterior Wall Fabric clayboards

Outbuildings barn (c)

Major Alterations (with dates) none

Condition Good

Moved no Date _____

Acreage under an acre

Setting set on hilltop in late-19th / early-20th c. residential neighborhood

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

UTM REFERENCE 18/744 775 /4662 380

USGS QUADRANGLE Southbridge Mass Conn

SCALE 1:25,000

Recorded by E. Woodford, S. Ceccacci

Organization Southbridge Historical Com- mission

Date May 1986

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

The Mrs. R. Marcy House is significant for its association with the town's late-19th century real estate development and its stylish Queen Anne design. It meets National Register criterion C at the local level and retains integrity of setting, location, materials, workmanship, design, feeling, and association. The boundaries indicated on the attached assessors map are those of current ownership, drawn to include both the house and barn.

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

This fine, well preserved Queen Anne style is both large and elaborate. Typical of the style are the horizontal lines, asymmetrical design, picturesque silhouette and broad roofs. Of note is the richness of exterior surface texture created by the clapboard, three patterns of shingling, carved ornamental strips, bracketed eaves, slate roofs and the patterned brickwork in the chimneys. This house compares in size and design caliber to the Victorian style A.M. Cheney House (form #C-323) of about the same period. The original lawn size of the Marcy House has been diminished by the construction of smaller houses around it during the early-20th century. Although it still dominates South Street, it looks somewhat precarious perched on its hilltop site without the vastness of open lawns around it to soften the impact of its mass.

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

First shown on the 1898 atlas, this house was listed as the property of Mrs. R. Marcy. Mrs. R. Marcy was Rinda Marcy, the widow of Merrick A. Marcy. No information has been found to indicate who Merrick Marcy was. He must, however, have been a member of the Marcy family which settled in Southbridge in the 1730's. The old Marcy homestead which was still in the family stood nearby at Main and Marcy Streets, now the site of Notre Dame Church:

This section of South Street saw very little building activity between the 1840's and 1880's. During that period it was still largely undeveloped. During the 1880's a row of Stick Style houses was built on the south side of the street near Main Street. This was one of three houses to be built on the north side in the block between Main and Oakes Street before 1900.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

maps, atlases, directories

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 Southbridge MRA
State Worcester County, MASSACHUSETTS

Nomination/Type of Review		Date/Signature
51.	Kinney, A., House Entered in the National Register	Keeper <u>Melrose Byers 6/22/89</u> Attest _____
52.	LaCroix--Mosher House Entered in the National Register	Keeper <u>Melrose Byers 6/22/89</u> Attest _____
53.	LaRochelle, Napoleon, Two-Family House Entered in the National Register	Keeper <u>Melrose Byers 6/22/89</u> Attest _____
54.	Maple Street Historic District Entered in the National Register	Keeper <u>Melrose Byers 6/22/89</u> Attest _____
55.	Marcy, Mrs. R., House Entered in the National Register	Keeper <u>Melrose Byers 6/22/89</u> Attest _____
56.	McKinstry, William, Jr., House Entered in the National Register	Keeper <u>Melrose Byers 6/22/89</u> Attest _____
57.	McKinstry, William, Farmhouse Entered in the National Register	Keeper <u>Melrose Byers 6/22/89</u> Attest _____
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59.	New York, New Haven & Hartford Passenger Depot Entered in the National Register	Keeper <u>Melrose Byers 6/22/89</u> Attest _____
60.	Notre Dame Catholic Church Entered in the National Register	Keeper <u>Melrose Byers 6/22/89</u> Attest _____

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: Marcy, Mrs. R., House

MULTIPLE NAME: Southbridge MRA

STATE & COUNTY: MASSACHUSETTS, Worcester

DATE RECEIVED: 5/15/89 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 5/31/89
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 6/16/89 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 6/29/89
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 89000535

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 6/22/89 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 _____



Mrs. R. Marcy House, (D. 441) 64 South St.
Southbridge, MA MRA
Ceccacci, 1986
Southbridge Historical Commission
Roll # 2.10

64 South Street



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SOUTHRIDGE MASS
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JOHN E. O'SHELL & ASSOCIATES
AUGUST, 1971

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SOUTHRIDGE, MASS

SCALE IN FEET
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MS PLAN 100, 48, 204

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000294